

THE 2020 CENSUS



The census is a count of all the people living in the United States held once every 10 years to gain a complete and accurate count of the population.



April 1, 2020 is the official census day.

This year you can complete the census online, by phone, or by mail.



CONFIDENTIAL

- The law requires the Census Bureau to keep your information **confidential** and use your responses only to produce statistics.
- The Census Bureau cannot publicly release your responses in any way that could identify you.
- The Census Bureau will **never** share your information with immigration enforcement agencies such as ICE, law enforcement agencies such as the FBI or police, or allow it to be used to determine your eligibility for government benefits.

LOCAL BENEFITS

\$675B

Census data is used to distribute federal dollars to your local community



Medical programs including Medicaid, S-CHIP, and Community Health Centers.



Family services including school lunches, Head Start, SNAP, WIC and housing.



Funding for highways and other infrastructure such as streets and parks.

APRIL 1, 2020

TAKE THE

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The census is a count of all people living in the US every 10 years. **Taking the Census is easy!** This year there are 3 ways to be counted: **online, by phone, or mail.** Forms will be available online in 12 languages with helper guides in 59 languages. Paper forms will be available in English and Spanish. Make sure you count **every person** living in your home.

ONLINE



Respond early **online** starting March 12, 2020 at 2020census.gov. Every household will be mailed a card with a unique code. Use the code or your home address to complete the census online at any time. No computer at home? No problem. Come to the public library and use ours.

BY PHONE



Respond early by **phone** starting March 12, 2020. Phone lines will be open 6 a.m. to 1 p.m. everyday. Each household will be mailed a card with a unique code. Use the code or your home address to complete the census by phone.

BY MAIL



If you don't want to complete the online or phone version, a **paper form** may be mailed to you starting April 8, 2020. Fill out the form, put it in the prepaid envelope, and mail according to the instructions.

2020 Census data is **confidential**, never shared with law enforcement agencies, and will be used to distribute billions of federal dollars to local programs. This money could fund roads, parks, school lunch programs and health centers in your community. **Be counted!**