Census 2020

Respond to the 2020 Census to shape the future

Be sure to count all young children and elderly in your home on April 1, 2020. Responding to the census helps communities get the funding they need. More than \$675 billion in federal funding flows back to states and local communities each year based on census data.

Your census responses are safe and secure

In fact, every Census Bureau employee takes an oath to protect your personal information for life. Your answers cannot be used for law enforcement purposes or to determine your personal eligibility for government benefits. By law, your census responses cannot be used against you by any government agency or court in any way—not by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), not by the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), not by the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), and not by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE).

It's your choice: you can respond securely online, by mail, or by phone

You will receive your Census invite in March or April. Households that don't respond in one of these ways will be visited by a census taker to collect the information in person.

Your online responses are safe from hacking and other cyberthreats

All data submitted online are encrypted to protect personal privacy, and our cybersecurity program meets the highest and most recent standards for protecting personal information.

