2020 Census

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Mission and Purpose

Mission
To serve as the leading source of quality data about the nation’s people and economy. We honor privacy, protect confidentiality, share our expertise globally, and conduct our work openly.

Purpose
To conduct a census of population and housing and disseminate the results to the President, the States, and the American People.

Count everyone once, only once and in the right place.
U.S. Census Bureau

- Largest statistical agency in the U.S.
- Leading source of quality data about the nation’s people, places and economy conducting more than 130 Census Bureau Surveys and Programs

  ▪ Demographic Programs
    ▪ Decennial Census
    ▪ American Community Survey
    ▪ Current Population Survey
    ▪ American Housing Survey

  ▪ Economic Programs
    ▪ Economic Census (Years ending in 2 & 7)
    ▪ Census of Governments (Years ending in 2 & 7)
2020 Census

- Mandated by Article 1, Section 2 of the U.S. Constitution
- Conducted every 10 years ending in zero since 1790
- Counts every resident in the United States where they live and sleep most of the time
- Increasingly diverse and growing population
  - 330 million people
  - Over 140 million housing units
- Confidential
  - Responses are protected by Federal Law
  - Responses are only used to produce statistics
Uses of Census Information

- Determines the number of seats for each state in the U.S. House of Representatives
- Defines congressional and state legislative districts, school districts and voting precincts
- Determines how more than $675 billion dollars in federal funding are spent on infrastructure, programs and services each year
- Informs government, business and community organizations of change for planning purposes
- Provides population benchmarks for nearly every other United States survey
The 2020 Census: A New Design for the 21st Century

**Design for 2020 Census**

**Motivate People to Respond**
- Conduct a nation-wide communications and partnership campaign
  - Maximize outreach using traditional and new media
  - Target ads to specific audiences
  - Work with trusted sources to inspire participation

**Establish Where to Count**
- Identify all addresses where people could live
  - Conduct a 100% review and update of the nation’s address list
  - Minimize field work with in-office updating
  - Use multiple data sources to identify areas with address changes
  - Get local government input

**Count the Population**
- Collect data from all households, including group and unique living arrangements
  - Make it easy for people to respond anytime, anywhere
  - Encourage people to use the new online response option
  - Use the most cost-effective strategy to contact and count nonrespondents
  - Knock on doors only when necessary
  - Streamline in-field census-taking

**Release Census Results**
- Process and Provide Census Data
  - Deliver apportionment counts to the President by December 31, 2020
  - Release counts for redistricting by April 1, 2021
  - Make it easier for the public to get data
Responding to the 2020 Census

- Internet Self-Response
  - 12 Non-English Languages
    - Spanish, Chinese (Simplified), Vietnamese, Korean, Russian, Arabic, Tagalog, Polish, French, Haitian Creole, Portuguese, Japanese

- Census Questionnaire Assistance (telephone and other customer channels)
  - 12 Non-English Languages
    - Spanish, Chinese (Mandarin, Cantonese), Vietnamese, Korean, Russian, Arabic, Tagalog, Polish, French, Haitian Creole, Portuguese, Japanese
    - Includes Telecommunication Device for the Deaf
Responding to the 2020 Census

- Enumerator Instrument, Bilingual Paper Questionnaire, Bilingual Mailing, Field Enumeration Materials
  - Spanish
- Language Glossaries and Language Identification Cards
  - 59 Non-English Languages
- Language Guides (Video and Print)
  - 59 Non-English Languages
  - Includes American Sign Language, braille, and large print
- Hiring at the Community Level
2020 Census: Where Are We Today?

In the next census, we will be trying to reach an increasingly diverse and growing population of around 330 million people in more than 140 million housing units.
Lessons Learned from the 2018 End to End Census Test in Providence County

- Partners will play a fundamental role to the success of the 2020 Census
  - Delivering the 2020 Census messages
    - Recruitment
    - Response
  - Operations
    - Online employment application process
    - Responding to the 2020 Census online
- Complete Count Committees
  - Powerful communication vehicle
  - Consisting of local Census stakeholders
Looking Ahead to Census 2020

2018
- Partnership Program - Launch of the Partnership Program
- Recruitment Begins

2019
- Open Wave 1 Field Offices (Jan – Feb)
- Open Wave 2 Field Offices (Jun – Jul)
- Complete Count Committees - Complete Formation of SCCC/CCCs

2020
- Advertising - Begins in early 2020
- Census Day - April 1, 2020
- Nonresponse Follow-up - Begins in March and continues through July
- Apportionment Counts to the President - December 31, 2020

2021
- Redistricting Counts to the States - By March 31, 2021
Beginning in the fall of 2018 the Census Bureau will begin recruitment in preparation of the 2020 Census. The Census Bureau will be searching for a qualified and diverse staff to fill the following positions:

- Area Census Office Manager
- Census Field Manager
- Administrative Manager
- Information Technology Manager
- Recruiting Manager
- Office Operations Supervisor
- Clerical Support
- Area Manager
- Partnership Specialists
- Recruiting Assistant
- Census Field Supervisors
- Enumerators
2020 Census Environment

- Constrained fiscal environment
- A mobile population
- Rapidly changing use of technology
- Distrust in government
- Informal, complex living arrangements
- Increasingly diverse population
- Declining response rates
Overcoming Obstacles by Utilizing Partnerships

- Your **Trusted Voice** to encourage everyone’s participation

- Your knowledge and insight of the community to reach everyone with the Census Bureau’s messaging
  - The impact of a complete count for their community
  - Every person living in the U.S. is to be counted in the 2020 Census
  - Privacy and Confidentiality of their responses
  - Employment Opportunities

- Elected Officials, Colleges and Universities, School Districts, Libraries, Government Offices, Community Organizations and Associations, Media Outlets, and Local Businesses are our target partner audience
Partnership Activity Examples

- Participate in a Complete Count Committee
- Hosting events
- Allowing the Census Bureau to Participate in events
  - Speaking Opportunities
  - Presence at events
- Sharing the Census Message
  - Social Media
  - Newsletters
- Assisting with Census Operations
  - Recruiting assessments
  - Response activities
How We Support Partners

Materials

▪ Language
  ▪ Sample email messages
  ▪ Drop in articles
  ▪ Social Media Content and links

▪ Support
  ▪ Partnership presence
  ▪ Connecting Partners with other partners
  ▪ Data Services
Complete Count Committee

- A autonomous and bi-partisan group of community leaders that are invested in the 2020 Census who come together to identify the possible obstacles and their solutions to ensure that their community is accurately represented in the 2020 Census.

- Complete Count Committees are communication vehicles that:
  - Promote the importance of the 2020 Census
  - Promote the employment opportunities with the 2020 Census
  - Encourage and support participation in the 2020 Census
Complete Count Committee

- Complete Count Committees allow stakeholders the ability to participate in a substantial and meaningful way in the complete count of its population
  - Coordinates and nurtures a cooperative effort between local organizations, communities, and the Census Bureau
  - Enables the local census stakeholders to develop and implement a locally-based and targeted outreach and promotion effort

- Strong Complete Count Committees are:
  - As inclusive as possible
  - Consist of a coalition of businesses, community groups, government officials, and other public serving entities
Complete Count Committee/Sub-Committee Example Activities

- Appoint a Census Liaison
- Establish a local advertising campaign
  - Post Census related information on the city’s website and social media
  - Print materials
  - Run PSAs on local media outlets
- Translate Census materials
- Provide a Census Bureau Presence
  - Create 2020 Census events
    - Media Kick-Offs
    - Outreach events (Recruiting and Response)
    - Provide a space for Census Bureau staff at local events
- Create sub-committees to develop a targeted approach for specific audiences within the community
Response Outreach Area Mapper (ROAM)
census.gov/roam

- Housing
- Demographic
- Socioeconomic
- Data Available at the Census tract
- Available to the public

Image of a map with a pop-up showing census data for a specific Census tract.
Data Dissemination Program

- Free Resource to **YOU**
- Opportunities to teach the public how to access our data
  - Data Presentations
  - Data Access Workshops and Training Sessions
  - Webinars
  - Data and Survey Inquiries
- All tools and data available at www.census.gov
  - American FactFinder
  - Census Business Builder
  - My Congressional District
  - OnTheMap
The U.S. Census Bureau needs your assistance to ensure your community is accurately represented in the 2020 Census

- What are the factors that are preventing your community from being accurately represented?
- Where are the areas that the Census Bureau should target for recruitment and response?
- What strategies the U.S. Census Bureau should utilize to ensure an accurate count?
- What resources are available to assist with the promotion of Census Bureau messaging?
- Are you willing to partner with the U.S. Census Bureau to ensure your community is accurately represented in the 2020 Census?
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