

Census 2020 – How participating benefits YOU

The U.S. Census is conducted every decade to provide a picture of our nation's growing population. The results help to determine the needs of the county and individual community. The census will count all U.S. residents, both citizens and non-citizens. The census will NOT ask you whether or not you are a U.S. citizen.

For the first time you can choose to complete the census online, by phone, or by mail. If you are completing the census online, you must complete the census in one sitting. The process online takes about 10 minutes. If you haven't received an invitation to respond from the Census Bureau, you may respond online or visit 2020census.gov.

The questionnaire is easy and safe. All answers remain confidential and cannot be shared with anyone, including other federal agencies and law enforcement entities. All Census Bureau employees take an oath of nondisclosure and are sworn for life to protect the confidentiality of the data.

You should be counted where you are living and sleeping most of the time as of April 1, 2020. If you are responding for your home, count everyone who lives and sleeps there most of the time as of April 1, 2020. This includes young children, foster children, roommates, and any family members or friends who are living with you, even temporarily.

The numbers will determine the appropriate distribution of billions of dollars to Federal, State, County, Local, and Tribal Governments to fund public safety, education, transportation, and other services. It will also determine the number of seats each state gets within the House of Representatives, a key concern for the State of Utah during this census.

Households that do not respond may receive a replacement questionnaire. Census takers will also visit households that do not return or complete questionnaires to take count in person.

For any other questions visit: 2020census.gov