

United States[®] Census 2020

Health clinics. Fire departments. Schools. Even roads and highways. The census can shape many different aspects of your community.



Census results help determine how billions of dollars in federal funding flow into states and communities each year.



The results determine how many seats in Congress each state gets.



It's mandated by the U.S. Constitution in Article 1, Section 2: The U.S. has counted its population every 10 years since 1790.

Who is counted in the 2020 Census?

The 2020 Census counts every person living in the United States on April 1—no matter where they are from, why they are here in the United States, and whether or not they are documented. This includes temporary workers, international students, and workers on assignment from overseas.

Census Day 2020 is April 1st

In mid-March, homes across the country will begin receiving invitations to complete the 2020 Census. **Once the invitation arrives, you should respond for your home in one of three ways: online, by phone, or by mail.**

Did you know??? Persons in the Village of Boaz may respond to the 2020 Census online in the clerk's office at 17010 State Highway 171 Tuesdays from 1:00 - 5:00 p.m. and Thursdays 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

April 1 is Census Day, a key reference date for the 2020 Census. When completing the census, **you will include everyone living in your home on April 1, 2020.** Census Day will be celebrated with events across the country.

Overall Timeline

Counting every person living in the United States is a massive undertaking, and efforts begin years in advance. Here's a look at some of the key dates along the way:

March 12 - 20: Households will begin receiving official Census Bureau mail with detailed information on how to respond to the 2020 Census online, by phone, or by mail. (Some households will also receive paper questionnaires.)

March 30 - April 1: The Census Bureau will count people who are experiencing homelessness over these three days. As part of this process, the Census Bureau counts people in shelters, at soup kitchens and mobile food vans, on the streets, and at non-sheltered, outdoor locations such as tent encampments.

April 1: Census Day is observed nationwide. By this date, every home will receive an invitation to participate in the 2020 Census. Once the invitation arrives, you should respond for your home in one of three ways: online, by phone, or by mail. When you respond to the census, you'll tell the Census Bureau where you live as of April 1, 2020.

April: Census takers will begin visiting college students who live on campus, people living in senior centers, and others who live among large groups of people. Census takers also begin conducting quality check interviews to help ensure an accurate count.

April 20-27: If you haven't responded yet, you will receive a final reminder postcard before Census takers follow up in person.

May - July: Census takers will begin visiting homes that haven't responded to the 2020 Census to help make sure everyone is counted.