



The United States Census: Everyone Counts



What Is the Census?

- The U.S. Census counts every resident in the United States and is mandated by Article I, Section 2 of the Constitution and takes place every 10 years

Why Should You Fill Out the Census?

- 675 billion dollars is at stake
- This money will go to states to distribute in communities for schools, public works, and social service programs – including Medicaid and Medicare services
- The Census numbers will determine how many Congressional Representatives each state will have in Congress which affects our legislative impact
- The Census numbers will determine districting lines throughout Colorado

Is the Census Accessible? YES!

- Respond by phone – you can respond in English by TDD at 844.467.2020
- Respond online – accessible online features and an American Sign Language video guides online user
- Respond by phone in English or in 12 additional languages
- Braille and large-print guides will be available online to assist with completing the paper questionnaire

When Will the Census Start?

- Mid-March – Invitations go out, some households will also receive a paper questionnaire
- Mid-April – Census questionnaires will be mailed to all households that have not yet responded to questionnaires that were sent in March
- Mid-May – Census takers will visit households in person that have not responded
 - Census takers are available to communicate in American Sign Language and additional languages
 - When the Census taker visits to help you can request that another Census taker who communicates using American Sign Language returns
 - You may choose to have another member of your household interact with the Census taker

Is Your Information Confidential? YES!

- Responding is safe and confidential
- When you respond to the census, your answers are kept anonymous
- The U.S. Census Bureau is bound by law to protect your answers and keep them strictly confidential
- The law ensures that your private information is never published and that your answers cannot be used against you by any government agency or court

Who Gets Counted? EVERYONE Counts!

- All people living in the United States, including minors and people living in nursing homes or residential facilities are included in the Census

Need More Information or Have Questions?

www.2020census.gov

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