

## What is Census?

WHEN The United States Constitution mandates that everyone in the country be counted every 10 years. Starting in 1790, the very first census was implemented and has continued over the last 230 years. Census Day 2020 is April 1, 2020.

WHO The Census counts every person in every household living in the United States once, and only once in the right place or location.

**IMPACT** Every 10 years, the results of the census are used to determine representation of seats in Congress. After each decade's census, state officials redraw the boundaries of the congressional and state legislative districts in the their states to account for population shifts.

In total, there is about \$675 billion in federal funds distribution, grants and support to states, counties, and communities that is based on census data. That money is spent on schools, hospitals, roads, public works and other vital programs. Local governments use the census for public safety and emergency preparedness and businesses use census data to decide where to build factories, offices and stores that create jobs.

**HOW** For the first time in history, the Census 2020 Questionnaire can be completed using one of the following three methods:



**ONLINE** Internet Self-Response.



**PHONE** Telephone Census questionnaire assistance.



**PAPER** Paper Census questionnaire option that is sent by mail.

13 Languages will be supported on (Internet & Phone). *Note: American Indian / Native Alaskan Languages are not included in the 13 languages.* 

**SECURITY** Your information is secure. By law (Title 13, U.S. Code), the U.S. Census Bureau cannot share an individual's answers with anyone or allow it to be used to determine their eligibility for government benefits.