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## Census Confidentiality

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The census counts all people living in the U.S.

- The census count affects how much funding goes to schools, healthcare, and other essential services in your area -- the more people counted in your community, the more funding your community receives.
- ***When you respond to the census, you help make sure that your family and community get their fair share of funding, services, and political representation!***

The census asks basic questions, like age, name, race, and ethnicity, about each person that lives in your household. **The 2020 Census will not ask about immigration or citizenship.**

### Your census responses are totally confidential.

- ❖ Extremely strong laws protect the confidentiality of your census response.
- ❖ The Census Bureau is not allowed to share your personal information with anyone, including ICE, police, or any other government agencies.
- ❖ The Census Bureau can only use your response to create general information about the population, like how many people live in your city, and statistics about age, gender, and race. The Census Bureau cannot share information about you as an individual.

The law requires everyone to respond to the census completely and to answer all the questions truthfully. Do not lie on the census.

Your form will still be counted if you skip a question or two, as long as you provide your name and address. If you skip questions or don't answer the census at all, the Census Bureau might follow up to ask for the missing information, either by phone or by sending a Census Bureau worker to your home. The fewer questions that you skip, the less likely it is that the Census Bureau will follow up.

You can find more information about the census at [www.CountUsIn2020.org/resources](http://www.CountUsIn2020.org/resources).