

WE ALL COUNT!



The once-every-decade Census is approaching and it's important that all of us are counted. The Census helps determine how much funding is available here in Florida to provide services that we need for our schools, hospitals and neighborhoods, especially for children.

Why is responding to the Census important?



Provides needed funds for programs like School Lunch, Head Start, Section 8 Housing – and much more.

Helps decide what a community needs – more preschools or more nursing homes?

Gives an accurate snapshot of the diversity of our community.

What do I need to know about the Census?

The Census counts people as of April 1, 2020, but you can respond before or after that date.

Takes just 10 minutes to complete.

Personal information about you and your household remains private. By law, the Census cannot share information with other government agencies, including immigration or law enforcement, or allow it to be used to impact your government benefits.



This only happens once every 10 years ... and you count!

For more information, visit www.2020census.gov.

Frequently Asked Questions



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How do I respond to the Census? In mid-March, you will receive a mailing with instructions to respond online. If you don't respond, you will receive a mailed reminder. A Census worker will come to your home if you have not responded by May.

**Be Counted!
April 1, 2020**

What if I do not receive a mailed invitation? Visit www.my2020census.gov and select “If you do not have a census ID, click here”, or call 844.330.2020 (English) 844.468.2020 (Spanish).

I have a child placed in my home. Should I count them? Yes. Any person living in your home on April 1 should be counted. For example, a child in foster care should be counted under the household that they are living in as of April 1.

If I have other relatives or friends living with me, should I count them? Yes. If someone is living with you – of any age – and they do not have another permanent address, they should be counted as part of your household for the Census.

Should I count a family member who is living elsewhere, such as a nursing home, dormitory, with the military, or in jail? No, these individuals will be counted by the facility where they are living.

Is there a citizenship question on the census? No, there is not.

What if I am living in a hotel, an RV park, or am homeless? Census takers will visit locations like these between April 9 and May 4 and help you fill out a paper survey. Or visit www.my2020census.gov and select “If you do not have a census ID, click here”, or call 844.330.2020 (English) 844.468.2020 (Spanish).

What questions are on the Census? The Census does not ask for private information, like social security numbers or bank information. Requested information includes:

- Number of people living in the home
- Whether the home is owned or rented
- Your phone number (only to clarify your answers, if needed)
- Information about individuals in the home: age, race, ethnicity, gender, relationship to head of household
- Name of each person, to help double-check if a person is counted more than once

How do I know my information has been submitted? If you are completing the Census online, when you hit the final “submit” button, a confirmation screen may not appear. But this is okay – your information was submitted. If you prefer, you can call 844.330.2020 (English) or 844.468.2020 (Spanish) to request a paper questionnaire.

Someone showed up to my house saying they are a Census worker. Are they for real? Official Census workers will begin visiting homes in May. They will have official uniforms, an ID badge with a “U.S. Dept. of Commerce” mark, and gear with “2020 Census” logos. If you are worried that someone is pretending to work for the Census, call 1.800.923.8282. A Census Taker will never ask for personal information, like your social security number, bank information, or a donation.

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