

Why We Conduct the Census

The census provides critical data that lawmakers, business owners, teachers, and many others use to provide daily services, products, and support for you and your community. Every year, billions of dollars in federal funding go to hospitals, fire departments, schools, roads, and other resources based on census data.

The results of the census also determine the number of seats each state will have in the U.S. House of Representatives, and they are used to draw congressional and state legislative districts.

It is also in the Constitution: Article 1, Section 2, mandates that the country conduct a count of its population once every 10 years. The 2020 Census will mark the 24th time that the country has counted its population 1790.

Access the website: Census 2020 English: [844-330-2020](tel:844-330-2020)

For information on services for people who are deaf or hard of hearing: Call the TDD number at [844-467-2020](tel:844-467-2020).

You may assist with a member at church, family member, neighbor, or friend.

You just need their address, birthday, and number in the household, and you can go online (Census 2020) and fill out a form for them. I have done about 20 just for family and friends.....let's do it!

Important Dates

- **April 16 – June 19:** Census takers will work with administrators at colleges, senior centers, prisons, and other facilities that house large groups of people to make sure everyone is counted.
- **May 27 – August 14:** Census takers will interview homes that have not responded to the 2020 Census to help make sure everyone is counted.
- **December:** The Census Bureau will deliver apportionment counts to the President and Congress as required by law.

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- **March 31:** By this date, the Census Bureau will send redistricting counts to the states. This information is used to redraw legislative districts based on population changes.

The Primary

In states holding them, presidential primary elections are open to all registered voters. Just like in general elections, voting is done through a secret ballot. Voters may choose from among all registered candidates and write-ins are counted. There are two types of primaries, closed and open. In a closed primary, voters may vote only in the primary of the political party in which they registered. For example, a voter who registered as a Republican can only vote in the Republican primary. In an open primary, registered voters can vote in the primary of either party, but are allowed to vote in only one primary. Most states hold closed primaries.

EARLY VOTING

A number of states had early voting. If you participated in early voting, you STILL must vote in the PRIMARY. The Pandemic is one reason to request an absentee ballot. Check with your County or your Secretary of State's Office for your voting dates and guidelines.

Share with others because you care.

Voting is not an option.....so please VOTE!

Focus on:

Voter Registration

Voter Education

Voter Turn-Out

Absentee Voting is going to be the key to success in this Election!