

The 2020 Census is Here! Be Counted!

Why is the Census important?

- The amount of Federal funding to Michigan for services and programs for the next 10 years will be set using the 2020 Census data.
- Michigan will lose \$18,000 over the next 10 years for each person NOT counted.
- Distribution of seats in the House of Representatives for the next 10 years is based on the 2020 Census data. Some local decisions also depend on this data.

Who is counted?

- Every person living in the U.S. on April 1, 2020, Census Day. Even babies.

When?

- By mid-March, letters will be mailed from the Census Bureau or delivered to households by Census workers. The letter will provide your household Census ID code.



- Beginning in August, Census workers (also called Census takers and/or Census enumerators) will follow up in person with households who have not yet responded. They will not ask to enter your home.

Look for your letter. Complete the Census. Be counted!

How?

- The Census can be completed online, by phone or with the paper form in the letter from the Census Bureau. Instructions will also be in the letter. You do not have to pay to take the census or buy any special software for responding on line. The Census Bureau will not send you unsolicited emails.
- Completing the census online must be done in one session. You can't SAVE information and go back later, so be prepared with the information needed.

[Find out more at www.2020Census.gov](http://www.2020Census.gov)

[Need help completing the census questionnaire?](#)

[Call 844-330-2020 for help in English or 844-468-2020 for help in Spanish](#)

What will the Census ask?

The person completing the Census survey will provide information about the type of household, the number of people living there and a phone number. They will also provide the name, gender, age, birth date, race/ethnicity and relationship to head of household for each person living there.



Your phone number will be used only for the Census Bureau to call you if something more is needed or if something is unclear. Your phone number will not be shared.

The Census will NOT ask about citizenship or immigration status. It will NOT ask for social security numbers, where or if you work, credit card or financial information.

All answers are secure and confidential.

The Census questionnaire is available in paper form in English and Spanish. Assistance for other languages is available online and by phone.

Reminder post cards will be sent to households multiple times thru the end of April. After that, Census workers/Census takers will begin visiting homes. They will have an official badge.



What federal programs are supported?

Programs include Medicaid, nutrition assistance, including school lunch programs, highway construction and planning, Title I and Special Education Grants, Foster Care and Child Care Grants, K-12 education, Section 8 Vouchers, and Head Start/Early Start.

MORE PEOPLE COUNTED = MORE MONEY IN FEDERAL FUNDING FOR MICHIGAN

Questions? Call the Census Bureau at 1-800-923-8282