

Be counted no matter where you live

Every 10 years, the United States counts everyone who lives in the country, regardless of immigration status or housing situation. Your participation in the 2020 Census will help communities get the funding needed for housing, the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Medicare, unemployment insurance, mental health services, and more.

You do not need a permanent address to be counted in the 2020 Census and you will not be asked questions about your immigration or legal status.

Census takers will come to you

Starting at the end of March, census takers will work with shelters, meal centers, group homes, and other places where you may receive services to make sure everyone is counted, including babies and young children.



You can also respond to the census yourself



Complete your questionnaire online at a City of Los Angeles facility. Call 311 for locations near you.



Call one of the U.S. Census Bureau's 2020 Census hotlines to complete a questionnaire.



If you or your children are staying with a relative or friend, make sure they include you on their census response form.



Your information is protected

Your personal information is kept confidential by law. Your responses can only be used to produce statistics. They cannot be used for law enforcement purposes or to determine your personal eligibility for government benefits.

Your name, address, and telephone number will not be disclosed or published.

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