



# What Does the 2020 Census Ask Me?

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#### Questions? Call our census hotline at 844-2020-API for support in English and other languages. Visit <u>www.CountUsIn2020.org/hotline</u> for more information. See census guidance on COVID-19 <u>www.CountUsIn2020.org/covid-19</u>.

The census begins in March 2020! Responding to the census will ensure that your family and community get its fair share of government resources, services, and representation. Starting in mid-March 2020, you can respond to the census online, by phone, or by mail. Each household (a household includes everyone who lives at one address) should submit **one** form and should list every person who lives at that address.

## The form will <u>not</u> ask you about your immigration or citizenship status. The form will <u>not</u> ask for your Social Security Number.

## The 2020 Census Will Ask About Your Household:

The number of people in the household on April 1.	Include everyone in your home, even if they are not related to you. The census counts all people in the U.S., including small children, non-citizens, renters – everyone.
Do you own or rent your home?	
Telephone number	This will only be used if needed for official Census Bureau business.

## The 2020 Census Will Ask About the People Who Live in Your Household:

### Name, sex, age, and date of birth of each person in the household

## Relationship to the person filling out the form

Race	You can choose one or more races. If you identify as multiracial, you can check the box or boxes for your racial groups and write in additional detail about your racial background (Example: Check box "Black," write in "African American" and check box for "Chinese."). Not all racial groups are listed as check box options. If your racial group is not listed, you can write in additional detail about your racial background.
Hispanic origin	Hispanic origin is considered an ethnicity, not a race. You can mark that you are not of Hispanic origin, or mark that you are Hispanic and note your ethnic origin.

## Is Participating in the Census Safe?

Your census answers are confidential. The Census Bureau is not allowed to share your individual information with other government agencies, immigration officials, or the public.

Federal law requires everyone to participate in the census and to answer all the questions truthfully. Do not lie when responding to the census. If you skip a question your form will still be counted. Answering the census as completely as possible will help ensure a census taker does not come to your home to get the missing information!