



IMPORTANCE TO OHIO NEWSLETTER

FILL OUT THE CENSUS FROM YOUR HOME.

The U.S. Census Bureau has many resources for you to fill out the Census from the safety of your home.

You can fill out your form online at [2020Census.Gov](https://2020Census.gov), or call the telephone line at 844-330-2020. It typically takes 10 minutes to complete.

In light of the current health crisis, we hope that all Ohioans are staying safe and healthy. In these uncertain times, it is even more important that you fill out your 2020 Census.

It's easy, safe and important to Ohio. If you haven't filled out your Census form, you should do it as soon as possible. Your answers impact how Ohio will spend and operate for the next 10 years.

The Census determines how the federal government will distribute billions of dollars to critical state and local programs to communities like yours.

Businesses use Census data to decide where to build factories, offices and stores. Real estate developers and city planners use the information to plan homes and neighborhoods. It also guides how the federal government distributes funds to local communities, such as where to add new public safety resources.

It is the basis for redistricting and reapportioning the number of representatives in U.S. Congress. If Ohio loses even one seat in Congress, that is one less voice to share our Ohio values and policy interests in national decision-making.

If you have not replied yet, expect a reminder postcard in the mail soon. Please note that college students who lived in dorms this school year, though away from student housing, will still be counted by the university. Students that live in off-campus houses need to self-respond and count that address, even if they are temporarily living elsewhere.

It is everyone's responsibility to get the count right for Ohio.

Be Counted Ohio: It's easy, safe and important.



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Our Goal: Make sure every Ohioan is counted.