



United States Census 2020 Official Logo



2020 United States Census Information Quick Facts

What is the Census? The Census is the official count of all people residing in the United States. It has been conducted once every decade since 1790.

What does the Census ask? The Census asks for information that you know offhand – name, gender, age, birthday, race/ethnicity. You can view a sample of the 2020 Census form at the following link:

<https://2020census.gov/content/dam/2020census/materials/partners/2019-08/2020-informational-questionnaire.pdf>

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How does the Census benefit me?

When you participate in the count, you help Ionia get federal funds for schools, health care, streets and other important services. Census information is also used to determine the distribution of congressional seats to States.

How can I participate in the Census?

Starting in mid-March, everyone living in Ionia can complete the Census online, by telephone or by mail. The Census takes only about ten minutes to complete.

Is the Census form secure?

Yes. Federal law prevents the Census Bureau from sharing your information. Your answers are used only to create statistics about our country. Additionally, the Census Bureau WILL NOT ask you for your social security number, ask for money, bank or credit card information, and anything on behalf of or related to a political party.

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Census Timeline

Mid-March 2020: You will receive your invitation to complete the census online or by telephone.

April 1, 2020: This is CENSUS DAY. Everyone living at your address on this day should be included in your household's Census response.

Mid-April 2020: Households that have not completed their Census online or responded by telephone will receive a paper form.

Beginning in May, 2020: Census workers will begin visiting homes that have not responded to make sure everyone gets counted.

The information contained herein is provided to you by the City of Ionia.

