

Making NC Count NC Complete Count Commission Meeting April 15, 2020

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Census is Happening Timelines have changed, but the importance and the process remain the same

Census and Corona Safety

- Respond Safely from Home Internet, phone, and paper response options are available
- Complete Your Form
 Reduces the changes of a Census worker visit and maintains social distance

Adjusted Timeline

- Self Response ... March 12 October 31
- Mobile Questionnaire Assistance ... Under Review
- Update Leave (stateside) ... June 13 July 9
- Non Response Follow Up (NRFU) ... May 11 October 31

Watch the US Census Bureau Newsroom for updates https://www.census.gov/newsroom.html

Group Quarters Adjusted Timeline

Group Quarters are long term residency situations where a person usually resides somewhere else – college dorms, military barracks, prisons, nursing homes, shelters, etc..

- GQ Enumeration (eResponse and Paper) ... April 2 –
 September 3
- In-Person GQ Enumeration ... July 1 September 3
- Service Based Enumeration ... Under Review
- Enumeration of Transitory Locations ... September 3 September 28 (tentative)

Census Data Serves in Emergencies

- Evaluating Impact
- Assessing Need
- Informing Decision Making







What Can We Expect?

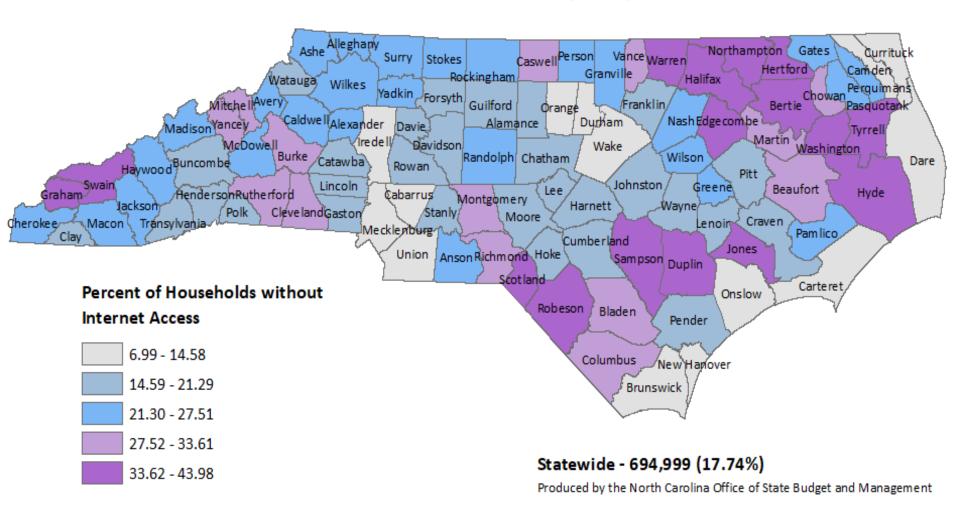
- Census Mailings in March 2020
 Internet, phone, and paper response options will be available
- April 1, 2020 is Census Day
 Non-response Follow Up will begin in April
- State Populations must be reported by December 31, 2020
 These numbers determine apportionment of seats in Congress
- Redistricting Files will be delivered in Spring 2021
- Census Count Challenges can be submitted through 2023
 Challenges can only be submitted by local/tribal governments
- Metropolitan Statistical Areas will be redefined in 2023



Internet Access in North Carolina

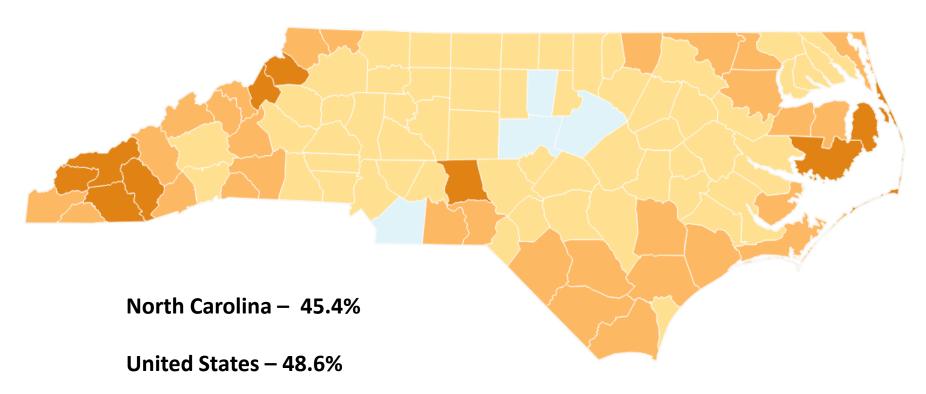
Percent of Households Without Internet Access

Source: 2014-2018 American Community Survey, US Census Bureau





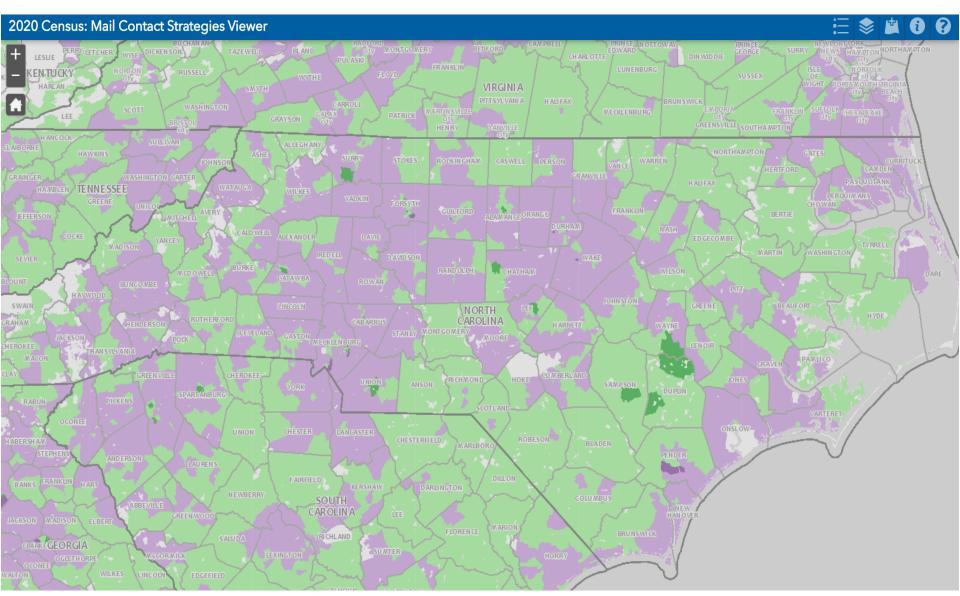
2020 Census Self Response Rate – April 14, 2020







2020 Census Contact Strategies





How To Recognize A Census Worker

- ID Badge that includes their photograph, the Department of Commerce watermark, and an expiration date.
- laptop and/ or bag with a Census Bureau logo, the field representative will provide the following:
- Supervisor's contact information and/or the regional office phone number for verification, if asked.
- A letter from the Director of the Census Bureau on U.S. Census Bureau letterhead.
- If in doubt, call the U.S. Census Bureau Atlanta Regional Office at 1-800-424-6974.





PARTICIPATION – EVERYONE COUNTS!



Avoiding Scams and Fraud

The 2020 Census will ask 9 questions about:

- Housing tenure (ie owning/renting)
- Name, age, race, sex, Hispanic Origin, and relationship of EACH person in the household

Census Bureau will <u>never</u> ask for:

- Social Security numbers
- Bank or credit card account numbers
- Money or donations
- Anything on behalf of a political party



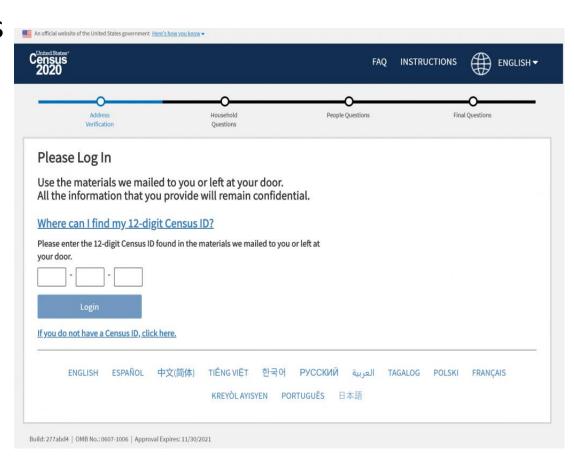
You Can Help!





Complete Your Census Form!

- Complete your Census form safely in your home.
- Put the I Counted sign in your window
- Challenge friends, family, neighbors, and complete strangers to do the same
- Join the social media Census party at #MakeNCCount and @NCCensus





Complete Your Census Form By Phone!

Language Support

The 2020 Census can be completed by phone in the below languages.

English and Spanish Language Hours of Operation: Customer Service Representatives are available every day from 7am to 2am Eastern Time on the following phone lines:

- English (for 50 states and Washington, D.C.): *3* 844-330-2020
- Spanish (for 50 states and Washington, D.C.): 🛭 844-468-2020
- English (for Puerto Rico residents): ⊿ 844-418-2020
- Spanish (for Puerto Rico residents): *3* 844-426-2020
- TDD (Telephone Display Device): *3* 844-467-2020

Non-English and Non-Spanish Language Hours of Operation: Customer Service Representatives are available Monday through Friday from 8am to 10 pm Eastern Time on the following phone lines:

- Chinese (Mandarin): *3* 844-391-2020
- Chinese (Cantonese): *୬* 844-398-2020
- Vietnamese: *3* 844-461-2020
- Korean: *3* 844-392-2020



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Here's Where to Start

- Social Media
- Leverage your existing resources

Listserv, phone banks, local media, etc..

Link to census.nc.gov for the NC Census Outreach & Engagement Tool Kit of resources

Use #MakeNCCount and @NCCensus on social media

Include Census logo, reference, or content on standard work processes (mailings, documents, listservs, blogs, etc.)



NC Census Website – https://census.nc.gov



Home Contacts

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North Carolina 2020 Census

Make NC Count

The Census is your chance to make sure your community counts. Participating in the Census will help make sure your community gets:

- Fair representation in Congress
- Financial resources for health, schools, transportation, and more
- Information leaders need to help your community plan for the future.



What is the Census?



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