

## The American Community Survey Brings You Data Every Year About ...

*Education, Children, Families, Employment, Income, Veterans, Commuting Patterns, and Housing.*



## How to Get More Information About the American Community Survey

For more information about the American Community Survey or to obtain survey results, we encourage you to visit our Web site at:  
[www.census.gov/acs/www/](http://www.census.gov/acs/www/)

You may also contact us by mail at the following address:

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U.S. Census Bureau  
4600 Silver Hill Rd.  
Washington, DC 20233-7500

You can telephone the Census Bureau's Regional Office nearest you as listed below:

### Census Bureau Regional Offices:

Atlanta, GA	1-800-424-6974
Boston, MA	1-800-562-5721
Charlotte, NC	1-800-331-7360
Chicago, IL	1-800-865-6384
Dallas, TX	1-800-835-9752
Denver, CO	1-800-852-6159
Detroit, MI	1-800-432-1495
Kansas City, KS	1-800-728-4748
Los Angeles, CA	1-800-992-3530
New York, NY	1-800-991-2520
Philadelphia, PA	1-866-238-1374
Seattle, WA	1-800-233-3308

## The American Community Survey



## What Is the American Community Survey?

The American Community Survey is a survey conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau. It provides information each year about the social, economic, and housing characteristics of the United States. Previously, this information was available only when the U.S. Census Bureau conducted a population census every 10 years. The American Community Survey will ask you questions about your household's characteristics, including such topics as education, employment, and housing.

Only a small sample of addresses is randomly selected to participate in the American Community Survey and they represent other addresses in the community. A survey questionnaire is delivered to a sample address to complete and mail back. When households do not mail back a questionnaire, the Census Bureau attempts to contact the household to complete the survey by phone or in person.

## Do I Have to Answer the Questions on the American Community Survey?

Yes, your response to this survey is required by law (Title 13, United States Code, Sections 141, 193, and 221).

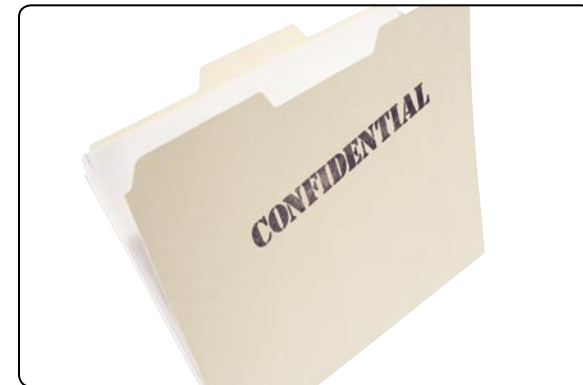


## How Will My Participation Help Me and My Community?

Billions of government and business dollars are distributed among states, communities, and population groups based on the social, economic, and housing information available for that area.

The information you provide will help you and other individuals, local governments, nongovernmental organizations, and businesses to:

- Help distribute resources to communities.
- Improve your community by deciding where in your town new highways, schools, and hospitals can do the most good.
- Measure changes in the well-being of children, families, and senior citizens to help plan future programs.
- Help communities plan for emergency situations that might affect you or your neighbors, such as floods, fires, and other natural disasters.



## Is the Information I Provide Confidential?

Yes. Your answers are confidential by law (Title 13, United States Code, Section 9). This law requires that every Census Bureau employee—including the Director and every Census Bureau representative—take an oath and be subject to a jail term, a fine, or both if he or she discloses ANY information that could identify you or your household.

Your answers may be used only for statistical purposes. We may combine your survey data with data that you may have provided to other federal agencies. Any combined information is given the same protections as your survey information. Some households that respond to the American Community Survey may be asked to participate in other Census Bureau Surveys.