Privacy Act Testing Language

# **Privacy Act Statement Commerce**

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# **Privacy Act Statement SIPP**

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# **Privacy Act Statement EJ**

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# Privacy Act Language in FAQ Context

# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### How do I respond?

Go online at **survey.census.gov** to complete the Census Test online. You will need the 12-digit User ID on the other side.

### Are my answers confidential?

Yes. The Census Bureau is required by U.S. law to keep your answers confidential (Title 13, United States Code, Sections 9 and 214). This means that the Census Bureau cannot give out information that identifies you or your household. The Census Bureau chose your address, not you personally, as part of a randomly selected sample. Per the Federal Cybersecurity Enhancement Act of 2015, your data are protected from cybersecurity risks through screening of the systems that transmit your data.

For more information about how we protect your information, please visit our website at www.census.gov and click on "Data Protection and Privacy Policy" at the bottom of the home page.

# Am I required to fill out this survey?

Yes. We are conducting this survey under the authority of Title 13, United States Code, Sections 141 and 193. This survey has been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). For this survey, the OMB approval number is 0607-0996.

### What is the Census Test?

The Census Test is a survey that the U.S. Census Bureau is conducting in preparation for the 2020 Census. The goal of this survey is to develop new methods that will make the next census easier, more convenient, and less costly for taxpayers.

### How will the Census Bureau use the information I provide?

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### How long will this survey take?

The U.S. Census Bureau estimates that, for the average household, this survey will take about 10 minutes to complete, including the time for reviewing the instructions and answers.

Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this burden to: Paperwork Reduction Project 0607-0996, U.S. Census Bureau, DCMD-2H174, 4600 Silver Hill Road, Washington, DC 20233. You may e-mail comments to <2020.census.paperwork@census.gov>; use "Paperwork Reduction Project 0607-0996" as the subject.

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### How much time will the survey take?

We estimate that it will take about 60 minutes per person to collect the information. This includes time for reviewing the instructions and completing and reviewing your answers. You may send comments regarding time estimates or any other aspect of this data collection process, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to Paperwork Reduction Project 0607-0977, U.S. Census Bureau, 4600 Silver Hill Road, Room 3K138, Washington, DC 20233. You may also e-mail comments to **<census.sipp@census.gov>**; use "Paperwork Project 0607-0977" as the subject.

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