



**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**  
**Economics and Statistics Administration**  
**U.S. Census Bureau**  
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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

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**Important Note:**

You are receiving this notice because we did not receive your response by April 4, 2017.

Dear Resident:

A few weeks ago, the U.S. Census Bureau sent instructions for completing the **2017 Census Test** online. If you have already completed the survey, you do not need to take any further action. If you have not already responded to this important 10-minute survey, please do so now.

**Complete the survey using ONLY ONE of the following options:**

- Respond online at [survey.census.gov](http://survey.census.gov)  
You will need to provide your 12-digit User ID, which is printed just below the barcode on the front of the enclosed questionnaire.
- If you are unable to respond online, fill out and mail back the enclosed questionnaire in the postage paid envelope provided.

**Your response is important to your community.**

You are required by U.S. law to respond to this survey. It is vital that you complete this survey to help meet critical needs in your area – including helping to put roads, parks, and hospitals where they are needed most.

If you do not respond promptly, a Census Bureau interviewer may contact you to complete the survey.

**Your answers are completely confidential.**

By law, the Census Bureau cannot publish or release information that would identify you or your household to anyone, including other government agencies. If you need help completing the survey or have questions, please call our toll-free number 1-844-330-2020.

Thank you for your prompt response.

Sincerely,

John H. Thompson  
Director



Mensaje importante: Para completar la Prueba del Censo del 2017, por favor, visite [survey.census.gov](http://survey.census.gov) o llame sin costo al 1-844-468-2020.

[census.gov](http://census.gov)



## **FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

### **How do I respond?**

Go online at **survey.census.gov** to complete the 2017 Census Test online. You will need the 12-digit User ID found below the barcode on the address label.

### **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.

For more information about how we protect your information, please visit our website at [www.census.gov](http://www.census.gov) and click on "Data Protection and Privacy Policy" at the bottom of the homepage.

### **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 xxxx-xxxx.

### **What is the 2017 Census Test?**

The 2017 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?**

Your information will be combined with the information provided by other sampled households to help determine the content and design of the 2020 Census.

### **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 xxxx-xxxx, U.S. Census Bureau, DCMD-2H174, 4600 Silver Hill Road, Washington, DC 20233. You may e-mail comments to [2020.census.paperwork@census.gov](mailto:2020.census.paperwork@census.gov); use "Paperwork Reduction Project xxxx-xxxx" as the subject.

You are not required to respond to this collection of information if it does not display a valid approval number from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). The eight-digit OMB number is xxxx-xxxx.