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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE Economics and Statistics Administration U.S. Census Bureau

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A message from the Director, U.S. Census Bureau ...

Your household has been randomly selected to complete a very important national survey, the American Community Survey. The U.S. Census Bureau conducts this survey to give our country an up-to-date picture of how we live—our education, employment, housing, and more. Using the enclosed instructions, please complete the survey online as soon as possible at:

https://respond.census.gov/acs

The Census Bureau is using the Internet to collect this information in an effort to conserve natural resources, save taxpayers' money, and process your data more efficiently. If you are unable to complete the survey online, there is no need to contact us. We will send you a paper questionnaire in a few weeks.

This survey collects critical information used to meet the needs of communities across the United States. For example, results from this survey are used to decide where new schools, hospitals, and fire stations are needed. This information also helps communities plan for the kinds of emergency situations that might affect you and your neighbors, such as floods and other natural disasters.

The Census Bureau chose your address, not you personally, as part of a randomly selected sample. You are required by U.S. law to respond to this survey. The U.S. Census Bureau is required by law to keep your information confidential. The Census Bureau is not permitted to publicly release your responses in a way that could identify you. Per the Federal Cybersecurity Enhancement Act of 2015, your data are protected from cybersecurity risks through screening of the systems that transmit your data. The enclosed brochures answer frequently asked questions about the survey.

If you need help completing the survey, please call our toll-free number (1–800–354–7271).

Thank you.

Enclosures





An important message from the Director:

Your household has been selected to participate in the **American Community Survey**. Since 2005, the U.S. Census Bureau has been conducting this survey to provide our nation an up-to-date picture of how we live. This survey helps determine the needs of communities across the nation, covering topics like education, employment, and housing.

Please respond now at https://respond.census.gov/acs



Using your computer or smartphone, follow the instructions on the enclosed card to log in to the secure website and respond today.



The information that you provide is so important that your response is required by law (Title 13, U.S. Code, Sections 141, 193, and 221).



Questions? Please call 1-800-354-7271 if you have questions or if you need help completing the survey.

Your prompt response online will save taxpayers' money and conserve natural resources. If you are unable to respond online, there is no need to contact us. You will receive a questionnaire in a few weeks.

Thank you for your participation.

Sincerely,

Steven Dillingham

Steven Dillingham, Director U.S. Census Bureau

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THE AMERICAN COMMUNITY SURVEY

The American
Community Survey
(ACS) is the premier
source for detailed
population and
housing information
about our nation.

The ACS helps local officials, community leaders, and businesses understand the changes taking place in their communities.

A message from the Director of the Census Bureau:

Your household has been selected to participate in the **American Community Survey**. The Census Bureau has conducted this survey since 2005. This survey provides an up-to-date picture of how we live—including topics such as education, employment, and housing—to help local leaders determine the needs of your community.

Please use the enclosed instruction card to respond now at:

https://respond.census.gov/acs

When you respond to this survey, you are doing your part to ensure that decisions about your community can be made using the best data available. The information that you provide is so important that your response is required by law (Title 13, U.S. Code, Sections 141, 193, and 221).

If you are unable to complete the survey online, there is no need to contact us. We will send you a paper questionnaire in a few weeks. If you need help or have questions, please call us at 1–800–354–7271.

Thank you,

Steven Dillingham

Steven Dillingham, Director U.S. Census Bureau

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Dear Resident:

Your household has been selected to participate in the **American Community Survey**. Every year, the U.S. Census Bureau contacts households across the country to participate in this important, mandatory survey.

Please respond now at https://respond.census.gov/acs

Log into our secure website using the enclosed instruction card.

ABOUT THE SURVEY Your response to the American Community Survey helps

your community plan for projects such as new schools, health clinics, and playgrounds as well as services for the

elderly and veterans.

DO I HAVE TO RESPOND? Yes. This survey is so important to your community and

the nation that your response is required by law (Title 13,

U.S. Code, Sections 141, 193, and 221).

NEED A PAPER FORM? If you are unable to respond online, we will send you a

paper questionnaire in about two weeks. You do not

need to contact us.

If you need help filling out the survey or have any questions, please call us at 1-800-354-7271. We are available to answer any questions or concerns you have.

Thank you for helping your community.

Steven Dillingham

Steven Dillingham, Director U.S. Census Bureau

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