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**A Message from the Director, U.S. Census Bureau:**

We request your participation with the **2021 Government Units Survey**, the organizational component of the 2022 Census of Governments. This survey gathers information on the basic characteristics of local, general purpose, and special district governments. This information is used to update the universe of all county, municipal, township, and special district governments and produce the official count of local governments in the U.S.

**Authentication Code:**

**Due Date:**

1. **Sign in OR register** at <https://portal.census.gov>
2. **Add** your authentication code.
3. **Report** by clicking on each survey's "REPORT NOW" button. You can return to your account over multiple sessions to complete these surveys.

We estimate this survey will take an average of 15 minutes to complete. Additional information about the authority, confidentiality, and burden of this data collection can be found on the back of this letter.

For assistance with completing this survey, visit us online at the website above or call our customer help line at 1-888-369-3613 (option 4), Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Eastern time.

**Thank you** in advance for your time and participation, and for helping the U.S. Census Bureau measure America's people and economy.

Sincerely,

Steven D. Dillingham  
Director

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**OMB Number**

This collection has been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). The eight-digit OMB approval number is 0607-0930 and appears in the top right corner of each reporting screen. Without this approval, we could not conduct this voluntary survey.

**Authority and Confidentiality**

Title 13, United States Code, Sections 161 and 193, authorizes the U.S. Census Bureau to conduct this collection and to request your voluntary assistance. These data are subject to provisions of Title 13, United States Code, Section 9(b) exempting data that are customarily provided in public records from rules of confidentiality.

**Burden Estimate Statement**

We estimate the Government Units Survey will take an average of 15 minutes to complete, including the time to review instructions, search existing data sources, gather and maintain the data needed, and complete and review survey responses prior to submission.