

## **Subject: Establish 2020 PUMA Contacts - Response Requested**

In September 2021, the U.S. Census Bureau will invite State Data Centers from each state, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico to delineate Public Use Microdata Areas (PUMAs) by participating in the 2020 Public Use Microdata Areas Program (PUMA). As discussed during the annual State Data Center meeting to promote effective communication, please identify a 2020 PUMA primary and secondary point of contact, and provide their information to <[geo.puma@census.gov](mailto:geo.puma@census.gov)> by Monday, November 16, 2020.

### **2020 PUMA Primary Contact Information**

First and Last Name:

Position Title:

Address:

Phone:

Email:

Do you have a Secure Web Incoming Module (SWIM) account?

Would you like to participate in user acceptance testing for the Geographic Update Partnership Software (GUPS) used for 2020 PUMA?

### **2020 PUMA Secondary Contact Information**

First and Last Name:

Position Title:

Address:

Phone:

Email:

Do you have a Secure Web Incoming Module (SWIM) account?

Would you like to participate in user acceptance testing for the Geographic Update Partnership Software (GUPS) used for 2020 PUMA?

PUMAs are non-overlapping, statistical geographic areas that partition each state or equivalent entity into geographic areas containing between 100,000 and 200,000 people following specific criteria and guidelines. The Census Bureau defines PUMAs for the tabulation and dissemination of the decennial census data, the American Community Survey (ACS), Puerto Rico Community Survey period estimates, and the Public Use Microdata Sample (PUMS) data. The Census Bureau uses PUMAs to collect sample records of housing units with information on the characteristics of each unit and each person while preserving confidentiality.

For questions about this request, you may contact the PUMA team at <[geo.puma@census.gov](mailto:geo.puma@census.gov)>. Thank you for your response to this request.