Request for Nonsubstantive Change to the
2022 American Community Survey Email Collection for Housing Units and
2022 American Community Survey and Puerto Rico Community Survey
eListing for Group Quarters
OMB Control No. 0607-0810
U.S. Department of Commerce
U.S. Census Bureau

Purpose

The American Community Survey (ACS) is requesting to implement collecting email addresses and sending email reminders to housing units in sample starting in early 2022. The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approved this change in 2019 (ICR Reference Number 201903-0607-005); ACS plans to implement the change to increase the number of returns on internet, improve data quality, and reduce additional follow up visits from field staff. The ACS is also requesting to add another option to receive group quarters (GQ) facility rosters to reduce or eliminate a field representative (FR) visit.

Housing Unit Email Address Collection and Reminders

Currently, the ACS sends up to five mailings to an address in sample. The first mailing—sent to all mailable addresses in the sample—includes an invitation to participate in the ACS online and states that in a few weeks, the Census Bureau will send a paper questionnaire to respondents who are unable to reply by the internet. Subsequent mailings serve as a reminder to respond to the survey, with a paper questionnaire included in the third mailing for those households that prefer to respond by mailing back the questionnaire. The Census Bureau will ask those who begin filling out the survey online to provide an email address. Approximately one week before sending the paper questionnaire, the Census Bureau will use the email address to send an email reminder to households that did not complete the online form. The reminder asks them to log back in to finish responding to the survey.

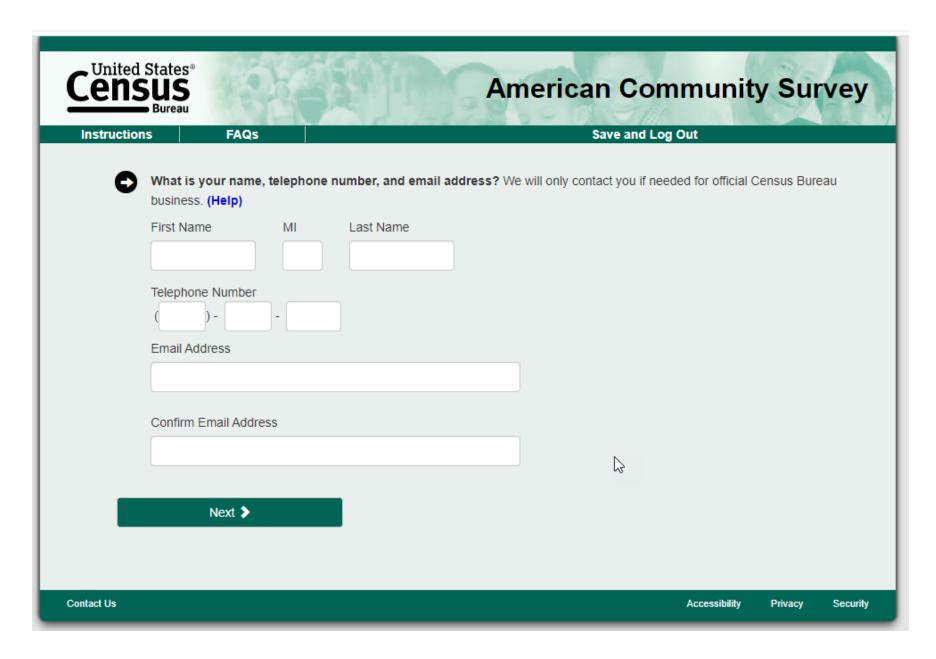
Group Quarters eListing Application

Beginning in January 2022, ACS and the Puerto Rico Community Survey (PRCS) will start using an Electronic Facility Listing System (eListing) for the ACS and PRCS GQ operation, where a contact person at the facility has the option to provide the FR with the listing information to be entered into the GQ facilities questionnaire instrument or the GQ contact person can upload an electronic listing (e.g., excel, pdf, or word document) of the residents or enter the residents. This system is similar to the GQ eResponse system used for the 2020 Census where the system stored the facility's resident information including basic demographic information however, the ACS and PRCS model will only store name, location, phone number, and email addresses through the six week panel. Implementing eListing allows facilities to provide their listing without a personal visit and at their convenience, reducing, or eliminating FR travel.

There are no substantive changes to the program resulting from these modifications. This change adds email response reminders for sampled housing units and provides additional options for collecting GQ roster data.

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Attachment A: Respondent Screen with Email Field

Help Text

Why We Ask?

We ask for a respondent's name and contact information in case we need to contact someone to ask about incomplete or missing survey information.

Help

- The U.S. Census Bureau is required by law to protect your information. The Census Bureau is not permitted to publicly release your responses in a way that could identify this household. Per the Federal Cybersecurity Enhancement Act of 2015, your data are protected from cybersecurity risks through screening of the systems that transmit your data.
- Providing a name helps eliminate confusion as you proceed through the survey to know about whom questions are being asked.
- The Census Bureau will only use the phone number and email address you provide for official business. You may be asked to participate in other Census Bureau surveys.

ACS Email Correspondence Text

From: U.S. Census Bureau

Subject line: Reminder to complete the Census Bureau's American Community Survey

Recently, you may have begun answering questions online for the American Community Survey. Thank you for any of your answers so far. It is important that you complete the survey; you are required by U.S. law to respond.

<u>Click here</u> to return to the survey. Enter your USER ID XXXXX-XXXXX followed by your assigned PIN. If you have trouble returning to the survey, please call toll free 1-800-354-7271.

Finishing the survey online saves time and money by reducing the need for further contact by Census Bureau interviewers. Thank you for your time and cooperation.

Email Subject line: American Community Survey eListing Instructions

Dear (INSERT POINT OF CONTACT NAME):

As we discussed, this email contains instructions on how to access the U.S. Census Bureau's eListing site to submit a list of residents in your facility.

We will use the list to select a *sample* of residents to participate in the **American Community Survey**.

Please follow these steps to submit the list:

- 1. Locate your 10-digit User ID on the mail label of the letter we sent you.
 - The User ID is above the address and to the right.
 - Please contact me if you have lost the letter.
- 2. Click on this link: Login | American Community Survey Group Quarters eListing
 - Copy and paste the link into your browser if necessary.
 - 3. Log in with your User ID. (The User ID is case sensitive.)
 - 4. Follow the instructions to create and upload the list.

Questions? Please call me at 000-000-0000 if you have any questions about creating or uploading the list or about the survey.

To protect your privacy, please do not respond to this email with any personal information about you or your facility.

I am not authorized to conduct this survey or answer any detailed questions about the survey or our protocols by email.

The Census Bureau is required by law to keep all survey data confidential.

Thank you for participating in this survey. We greatly appreciate your cooperation.

Regards, (insert FR name)

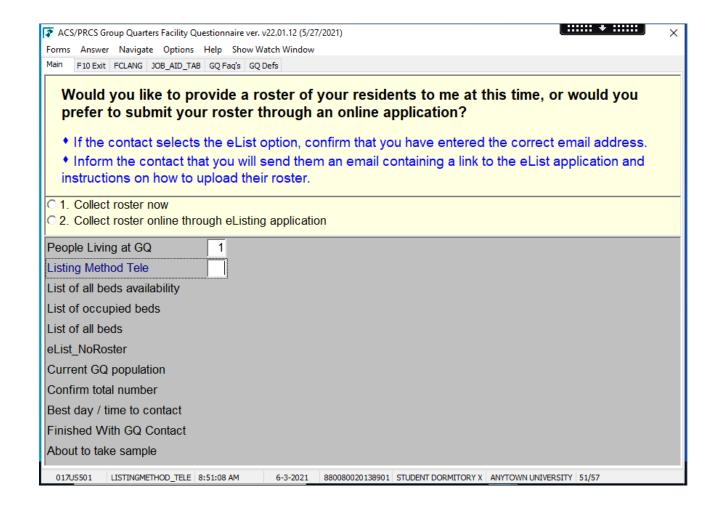
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GQSample Section

New Screens

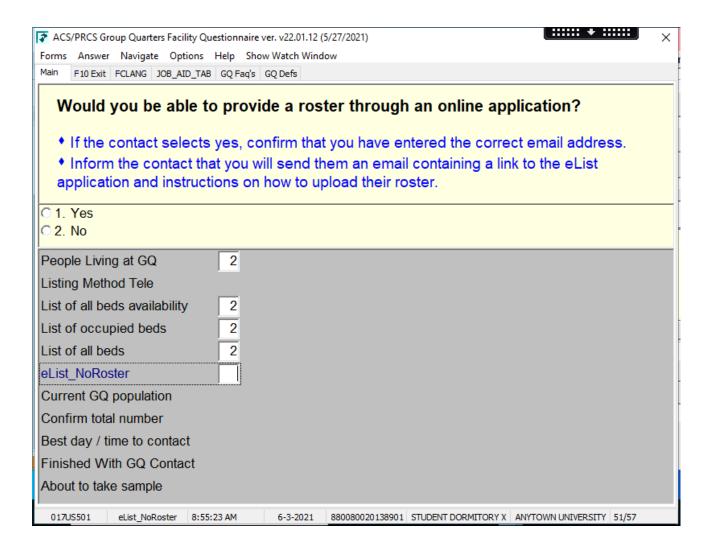
LISTINGMETHOD

If the FR is conducting an interview on the phone and the contact says that they can provide a roster, the instrument will come to this screen.



eList_NoRoster

If the FR is conducting an interview either in person or on the phone and the contact is unable to provide a roster, the instrument will come to this screen.



BURDEN STATEMENT: "The Census Bureau estimates that, for the average facility, this eListing process will take 10 minutes to complete, including the time for reviewing the instructions and downloading/uploading the template. You may email comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing burden, to: acso.pra@census.gov. Use "Paperwork Project" as the subject. Or you may send comments to: Paperwork Project, U.S. Census Bureau, 4600 Silver Hill Road, ADDC – 4H277, Washington, D.C. 20233."

CONFIDENTIALITY/SECURITY language: "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 this household. Per the Federal Cybersecurity Enhancement Act of 2015, your data are protected from cybersecurity risks through screening of the systems that transmit your data."

Attachment C - eListing Contact Us Wording

Contact Us Wording:

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For more information about the American Community Survey, visit our web site https://www.census.gov/acs

Email Subject Line: User ID for eListing

Dear (Insert Point of Contact Name):

Your User ID for electronically submitting the list of residents is: **XXXXX - XXXXX**

The User ID is case sensitive. Please enter the ID exactly as you see it above.

Please retain this code until you complete the listing.

For assistance, please call me at (insert FR number).

Respectfully, (insert FR name)

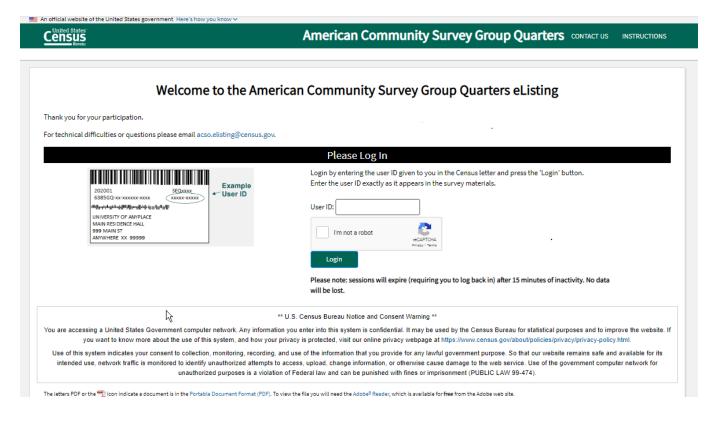
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American Community Survey Group Quarters Electronic Listing (eListing) Quick Reference Guide for Uploading Rosters

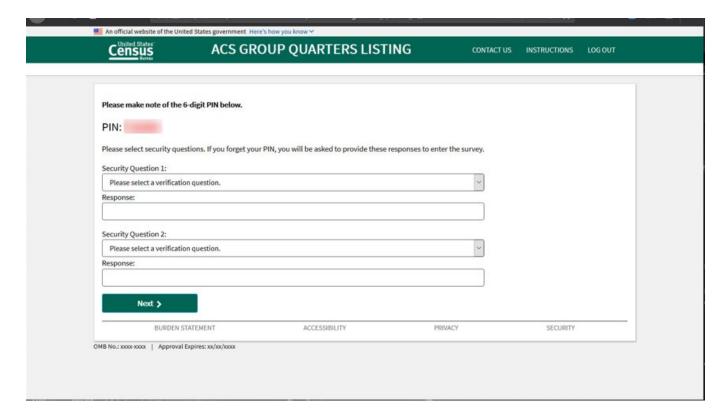
How To Access The GQ Electronic Listing Data Transfer (eListing) Website

Upon accessing the secured website, enter your unique User ID. Your User ID is listed on the address label of the advance mailer you were sent and in the official Census Bureau email you received from your American Community Survey Field Representative. (If you have misplaced your letter and/or did not receive an email, please email acso.elisting@census.gov. Please include the name of your facility, the address of your facility, and the telephone number of the facility.) For security reasons, you may need to check the "I'm not a robot" box and make the appropriate reCAPTCHA selections. Also, these steps should be done on a computer, not a mobile device.



Note: When entering your User ID for the first time, a system generated PIN will be assigned to you. **It is very important that you retain this PIN.** You will need this PIN if you need to log back into the eListing system for any reason.

Next, you will be asked to select and provide responses to two security questions. Please make sure you select answers to questions that are easy to remember. **Note: Do not skip the security questions as they are needed to reset your PIN if necessary.** After entering your answers to both questions click on "Next".

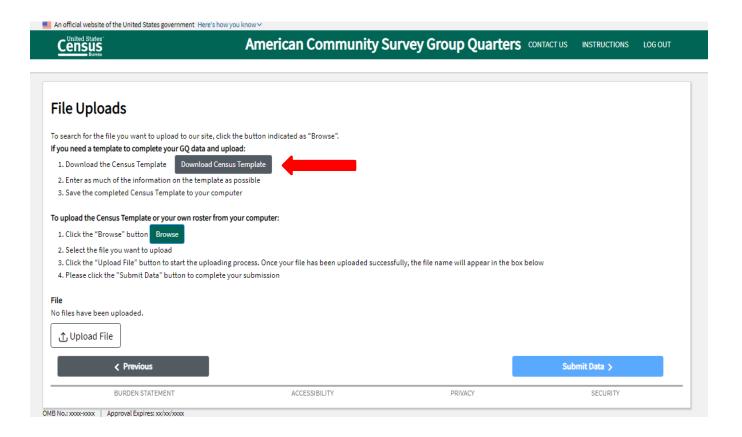


The Import Wizard allows you to upload an existing roster file or create a roster file by inputting your roster information in the downloadable Census Template that is available.

Downloading the Census Bureau Template

Note: If you are using an existing roster file you can skip to the next section "Uploading Your Roster."

Step 1: Click on Download Census Template.



Step 2: Preparing the template.

1. Once you download the Census template please do the following:

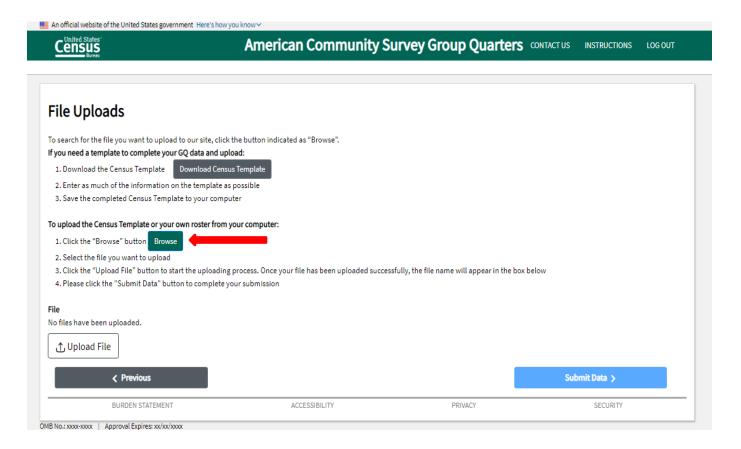


- a. Save the Census template to your computer.
- b. Click on "Enable Editing" in order to edit the document.
 Then go to the "GQ Name" column and enter the name of the facility in sample starting on line 4. Enter as much information as possible such as name, location (e.g. room/bed number), telephone number, and email address on each of the rows until the roster for the facility is complete.
- c. Save the Census Bureau template file to your local desktop.
- d. The Census Bureau template file is now ready to be uploaded.

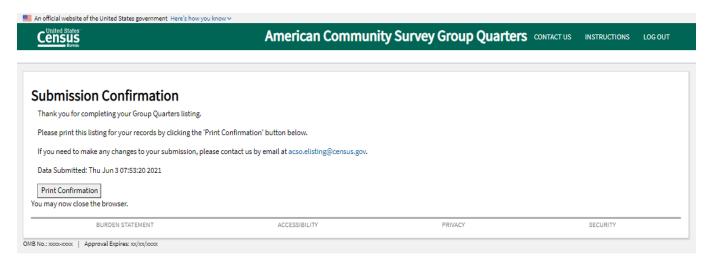
Uploading Your Roster

The Import Wizard allows you to upload an existing roster file, or a roster file created using the downloadable Census Template. The previous section provided steps for downloading and inputting roster information into the Census Template. The following steps guide you through uploading either an existing roster file, or the roster file you created using the Census Template.

- Step 1: Click on Browse
- Step 2: Choose file
- Step 3: Click the Upload File button to start the uploading process
- Step 4: Once the file has uploaded successfully, the file name will appear in the box below.
- Step 5: Click Submit Data, to complete your submission.



You will receive a confirmation message that your file has been successfully submitted.



Congratulations, this message confirms that you are finished uploading your roster. Your Census Bureau field representative will contact you within the next several days to discuss the next steps. In the meantime, please do not hesitate to reach out to your field representative if you have any questions or need additional assistance. Thank you for your participation!

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Attachment C - eListing Roster Template_508_Compliant





Attachment C - eListing Screens -- Centurion

Welcome to the American Community Survey Group Quarters eListing

Thank you for your participation.

For technical difficulties or questions please email acso.elisting@census.gov.

Please Log In

Example

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6385GQ-xx-xxxxxx

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UNIVERSITY OF ANYPLACE
MAIN RESIDENCE HALL
999 MAIN ST
ANYWHERE XX 99999

Login by entering the user ID given to you in the Census letter and press the 'Login' button. Enter the user ID exactly as it appears in the survey materials.

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Login		

Please note: sessions will expire (requiring you to log back in) after 15 minutes of inactivity. No data will be lost.



** U.S. Census Bureau Notice and Consent Warning **

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Enter the 6-digit PIN we gave you the last time you entered the survey.

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Forgot PIN?



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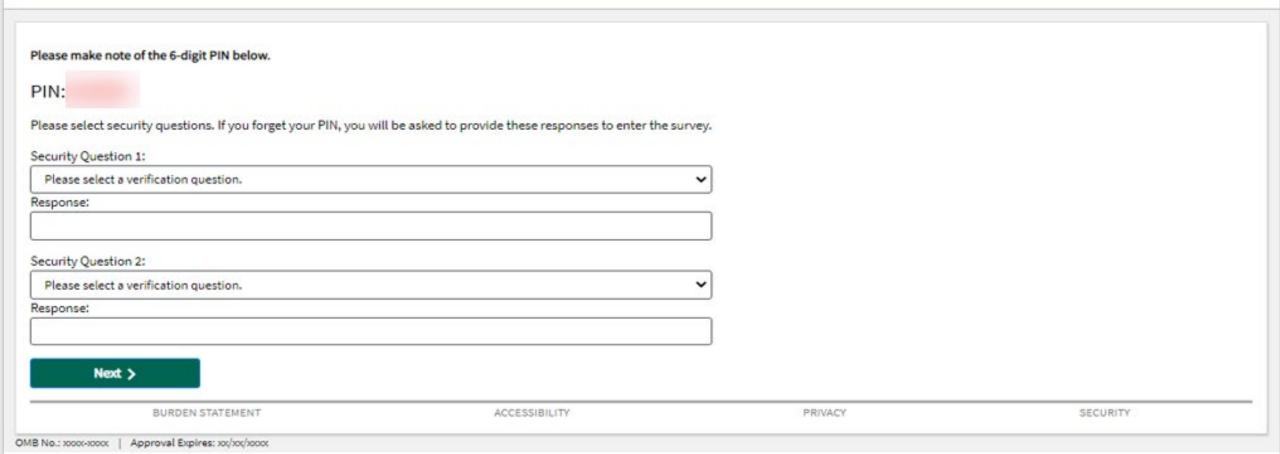


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The letters PDF or the 📆 icon indicate a document is in the Portable Document Format (PDF). To view the file you will need the Adobe® Reader, which is available for free from the Adobe web site.



Attachment C - eListing Screens - Centurion



ISTRUCTIONS

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Facility Information

Control Number

Special Place Name

GQ Name

Save and Continue >

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INSTRUCTIONS

LOG OUT

File Uploads

To search for the file you want to upload to our site, click the button indicated as "Browse".

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American Community Survey Group Quarters CONTACT US INSTRUCTIONS

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Submission Confirmation

Thank you for completing your Group Quarters listing.

Please print this listing for your records by clicking the 'Print Confirmation' button below.

If you need to make any changes to your submission, please contact us by email at acso.elisting@census.gov.

Data Submitted: Thu Jun 3 07:53:20 2021

Print Confirmation

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An official website of the United States government Here's how you know

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Conserve esta carta hasta completar la encuesta.

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- seleccionar una muestra de residentes a quienes entrevistar para la encuesta.

Usted puede obtener más información sobre la Encuesta sobre la Comunidad de Puerto Rico al dorso de esta carta, en el folleto adjunto y por internet en census.gov/acs (en inglés). Si tiene preguntas adicionales, llame a nuestra Oficina Regional de Nueva York al 1-800-991-2520 (ext. 1).

Gracias por su cooperación. Esperamos poder trabajar con usted.

Documentos adjuntos

Algunas Preguntas Frecuentes

¿Por qué se eligió a esta instalación para participar en la encuesta?

Cada año, la Oficina del Censo de los EE. UU. selecciona una muestra de instalaciones de vivienda de grupo para que participen. Se seleccionan al azar personas que viven en estas instalaciones para que respondan a la encuesta. Todas las respuestas que se reciben durante el año se combinan para producir las estadísticas que se encuentran por internet en census.gov/acs (en inglés).

¿Cuál es mi responsabilidad como administrador de una instalación?

Necesitamos que usted conteste algunas preguntas básicas acerca de la instalación y que prepare una lista de los residentes que viven o se quedan en esta instalación.

Conserve esta carta. Necesitará la Identificación de Usuario que se encuentra en la etiqueta con la dirección si elige enviar la lista de residentes de forma electrónica. Cuando un entrevistador de la Oficina del Censo se comunique con usted, le dará más información sobre este proceso.

¿Se mantendrá confidencial la información de los residentes?

Sí. La Oficina del Censo está obligada por ley a proteger la privacidad de todas las personas encuestadas y a mantener la confidencialidad de todas las respuestas (Título 13, Código de los EE. UU., Sección 9). No identificamos a las personas en los datos que publicamos. Solo publicamos estadísticas.

¿Cómo podré saber si la persona que se contacte conmigo realmente trabaja para la Oficina del Censo de los EE. UU.?

Hay dos formas de verificar si un entrevistador de la Oficina del Censo trabaja para nosotros.

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