

**Consent Form**

**For Individual Participants**

**Usability Testing of the Census Website**

Each year the Census Bureau conducts many different usability evaluations. For example, the Census Bureau routinely tests the wording, layout and behavior of products, such as Web sites and online surveys and questionnaires in order to obtain the best information possible.

You have volunteered to take part in a 60-minute study that aims to inform research to improve the next census. If you have any questions about the burden estimate or any other aspects of the burden, you can contact adrm.pra@census.gov. In order to have a complete record of your comments, your session will be audio recorded and videotaped. Only staff directly involved in the research project will have access to the recordings. Your participation is voluntary and your answers will remain strictly confidential.

The OMB control number for this study is 0607-0725. This valid approval number legally certifies this information collection.

**Privacy Notice**

The U.S. Census Bureau is required by law to protect your information. The Census Bureau is not permitted to publicly release your statements in a way that could identify you. We are conducting this session under the authority of 13 U.S.C. Sections 141 and 182. Federal law keeps your answers confidential (13 U.S.C., Section 9). Your voluntary response will be used to improve mailing materials and the usability of a Census Bureau online instrument.

Your privacy is protected by the Privacy Act (5 U.S.C., Section 552a). The information provided may be shared with other Census Bureau staff for the work-related purposes identified in this statement. Participating in this focus group implies consent for the purposes stated. Your information is secured by the Census Bureau by strictly adhering to the provisions of the Privacy Act, and other regulations and policies to protect the privacy and confidentiality of the information.

**I have volunteered to participate in this Census Bureau study, and I give permission for my audio and screen captures to be used for the purposes stated above.**

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