



Census 2020 Complete Count Committee
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A Message from the Mayor's Chesapeake Census 2020 Complete Count Committee

The 2020 Decennial Census is quickly approaching. While April 1, 2020 is the official Census Day, you will begin receiving notifications in the mail in March 2020. If you have any questions, go to www.census.gov or www.cityofchesapeake.net/Census-2020.

About the 2020 Census.

1. There is no citizenship question on the 2020 Census Questionnaire.
2. Personally identifiable data collected for the 2020 Decennial Census cannot be released for 72 years.
3. The survey should only take 10 minutes to complete.
4. There are several ways to complete the Census:
 - a. You can complete the Census online. The website link and your unique ID will be on the materials you received in the mail.
 - b. Fill out a paper form you receive in the mail.
 - c. Call the toll-free number provided in the materials you receive from the Census Bureau. A Census employee will help you complete the form over the phone.
 - d. If you do not use the methods above, a Census Taker will visit your residence.
5. For every person not counted by the U.S. Census Bureau, roughly \$2,000 in federal funds will be lost each year. Everyone currently living in your household needs to be counted, even children and newborn babies.
6. In most cases, usual residence, where one typically lives and sleeps as of April 1, 2020, should be used to determine the number of people in a household. However, if someone in a household, such as a spouse, adult child, or roommate, is living away from home at the time of the Census because they are in the military (either stateside or overseas) they are not to be included on the Census form. They are counted using other Census operations. For example, a representative of the military installation or military ship will complete the census form. Federally affiliated military and their families, who are living outside the United States, are counted using the government's administrative records and will not receive a Census form. If you are in the military and unsure of how to participate in the Census, please contact the U.S. Census Bureau.
7. The U.S. Census is also used to determine the number of U.S. House of Representatives for each state.