



Public Safety Announcement

2020 Census Bureau

Starting in the Spring of this year, the Census Bureau will be conducting their count of the population. The Census Bureau is a nonpartisan government agency that counts the population of the 50 states and five U.S. territories. **Each home will receive an invitation to respond to a short questionnaire—online, by phone, or by mail.. The Census Bureau will not contact you on behalf of a political party.**

Unfortunately, Scam artists have used this time to impersonate Census employees in attempts to obtain your personally identifying information or to commit distraction burglaries.

- The Census Bureau will not send unsolicited emails to request your participation in the 2020 Census.
- The 2020 Census further will never ask for:
 - Your Social Security number.
 - Bank account or credit card numbers.
 - Money or donations.
- If someone visits your home to collect a response for the 2020 Census, the following are ways to identify the person as a Census Employee:
 - First, check to make sure that they have a valid ID badge, with their photograph, a U.S. Department of Commerce watermark, and expiration date.
 - If you still have questions about their identity, you can call [800-923-8282](tel:800-923-8282) to speak with a local Census Bureau representative.
 - If the visitor who came to your door does not work for the Census Bureau or you are uncertain if the subject at your door is a Census employee, contact the Greenwich Police Department at 203-622-8004.

Important 2020 Census Bureau Dates:

- **March 12 - 20:** Households will begin receiving official Census Bureau mail with detailed information on how to respond to the 2020 Census online, by phone, or by mail.
- **April 1:** By this date, every home will receive an invitation to participate in the 2020 Census. Once the invitation arrives, you should respond for your home in one of three ways: online, by phone, or by mail.
- **April:** Census takers also begin conducting quality check interviews to help ensure an accurate count.
- **May - July:** Census takers will begin **visiting homes that haven't responded to the 2020 Census** to help make sure everyone is counted. An accurate population count ensure proper Congress representation and funding to the States.

If you suspect fraud, call [800-923-8282](tel:800-923-8282) to speak with a local Census Bureau representative. The Greenwich Police Department can always be contacted 24 hours at 203-622-8804 or in the event of an emergency 911. For more information regarding the 2020 Census visit <https://2020census.gov/en.html>.

