



Student FAQs

What is the Census?

Every ten years the United States Census Bureau conducts a constitutionally-mandated count of all the nation's residents.

As a college student, why is the Census important to me?

Federal funding programs that aid higher education institutions and students use Census data to help make funding decisions. This includes the Federal Direct Student Loan and Pell Grant programs; these programs provided over \$7.2 billion of funding for Texas students in 2016.

When is the 2020 Census?

Census Day is April 1st, 2020

Who fills out the Census form?

The form should be filled out by one person where you live. You should discuss who should complete it to avoid confusion. Everyone should be counted.

As a college student, should I be counted by my parents?

The Census operates on the idea that people should be counted at their current address.

What if someone else claims me on their income tax?

The Census is based off residency not federal tax status.

Are responses confidential/secure?

Your responses will be kept secure.

I'm am not from Lubbock so do my parents count me instead?

The Census is meant to count people where they currently live.

Will a citizenship question be asked?

There **will not** be a question asking about citizenship on the 2020 Census.

Is it accessible for people with disabilities?

The 2020 Census will be available in accessible formats for respondents with visual and hearing disabilities.

How will I be invited to respond?

It will be mailed to you and include your personalized access code.

How do I fill out the Census?

You may complete it via mail, online or by phone.

What languages will the Census be provided in?

The online census form will be available in 13 languages. The paper census questionnaire will only be available in English and Spanish.

To Find out more go to:

<https://2020census.gov/en.html>

Don't Wait until 2030, Make Sure You Count NOW!