



# The Census Trust & Safety Team

## Protecting the Count in 2020

The use of digital platforms changed how people get their news and updates, making it easier to spread scams and false information. The U.S. Census Bureau is dedicated to protecting you from misinformation and disinformation about the 2020 Census. Help us protect the count by reporting **inaccurate, suspicious, or fraudulent information** you read, hear, or spot online, including:



A **rumor** in a message board or group claiming the information you provide will be publicly disclosed.



A **post** shared on social media discouraging participation in the 2020 Census.



A **suspicious email** requesting your social security number or bank account information for the 2020 Census.



An **advertisement** on social media sharing fake 2020 Census websites and inaccurate information.

## What Can You Do?



Report suspicious information and tips to: [rumors@census.gov](mailto:rumors@census.gov).



Flag suspicious information on **Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, YouTube** and other platforms.



Call the **Census Bureau Customer Service Hotline** at 1-800-923-8282 to report suspicious activity.



Reach out to us on our **verified social media accounts** (@uscensusbureau).

## Why it Matters

The census is one of the most important events in the United States. Every 10 years, the census helps **determine the number of seats your state gets in Congress and how billions of dollars in federal funding are distributed to states and communities each year.**

Help the Census Bureau **protect the accuracy of the count by reporting inaccurate, suspicious, or fraudulent information.**

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