

CENSUS 2020 GOAL

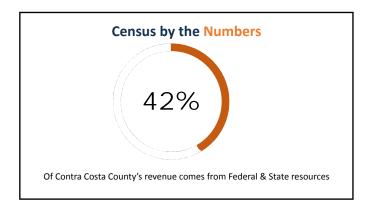
Ensure that everyone is counted once, only once, and in the right place.

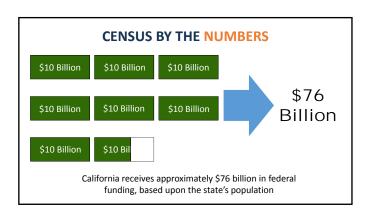
WHAT is the census?

- Government survey that asks basic questions like age, name, race, and ethnicity about each person living in your household
- Required by law for all people living in the United States
- ullet Will ${\color{red} {\rm NOT}}$ ask about immigration or citizenship

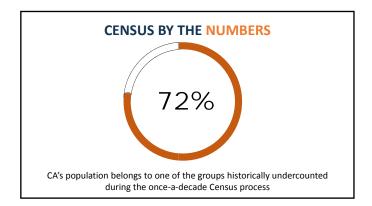
9 questions, 10 years of impact

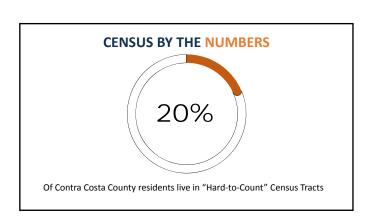


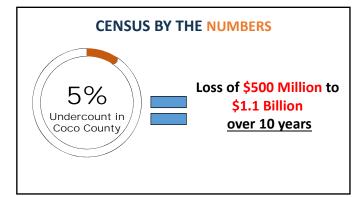




CENSUS BY THE NUMBERS					
Each person not counted	Loss of \$1000 to \$2000 EACH YEAR				







WHO counts in the census?

EVERYONE! All people living in the United States on April 1, 2020, including:

- Babies, young children, and seniors!
- Immigrants
- Formerly incarcerated individuals
- People not living in houses or apartments

Everyone within a residence is counted regardless of their relationship, including:

- Relatives and extended family living in the home
- Non-family renters living in the garage or in a backyard unit
- If you are unsure if people in your residence have already been counted somewhere else, count them anyway!

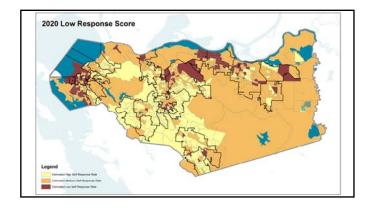
Hard-to-Count Populations

Contra Costa County is focusing on trying to reach the Hardest-to-Count populations. These include:

- Children under 5
- Youth between 18-24
- Racial and Ethnic minorities
- People living in poverty
- Non-English Speaking households
- People with no high school diploma
- Highly mobile people
- Renters, and people in multifamily units
- Seniors
- Veterans

- LGBTQ
- People experiencing homelessness
- People who are distrustful of government
- Undocumented immigrants
- People living in Rural areas





Hard-to-Count Population Areas

- Contra Costa has approximately 250,000 (20%) people living in Hard-to-Count census tracts throughout the County.
 - San Pablo (22,400) out of 31,156 72% Hard to Count
 - Richmond (55,800) out of 110,040 *51% Hard to Count*
 - Pittsburg (32,400) out of 72,141 **45% Hard to Count**
 - Antioch (37,400) out of 111,674 34% Hard to Count
 - Concord (22,700) out of 129,783 15% Hard to Count
 - Unincorporated (18,600) out of 173,406 11% Hard to Count
 - San Ramon (8,100) out of 75,931 11% Hard to Count

WHEN do we get counted?

Census Day is officially April 1, 2020.

- Most people can respond online, by phone, or by mail between March and April 2020
- People who do not take the census by April 30, 2020 will be visited by a Census Bureau worker between May and July

We are encouraging everyone to respond online

What You Will Receive From the Census Bureau and When

On or between	You'll receive:	
March 12-20, 2020	An invitation to respond online to the 2020 Census. (Some households will also receive paper questionnaires.)	
March 16-24, 2020	A reminder letter.	
	If you haven't responded yet:	
March 26-April 3, 2020	A reminder postcard.	
April 8-16, 2020	A reminder letter and paper questionnaire.	
April 20-27, 2020	A final reminder postcard before the Census Bureau begins in-person follow-up.	

WHERE do we get counted?

- We are counted at our usual place of residence (where we live and sleep most of the time)
- People experiencing homelessness will be counted at service-based locations (shelters, soup kitchens, etc.) or outdoors between March 30 and April 1 (Can also be enumerated at QACs online or by phone)
- People living in "transitory locations" (RV parks, motels, etc.) will be counted where they sleep in April
- People living in "group quarters" (college on-campus housing, nursing homes, correctional facilities, etc.) will be counted at those locations between April and June

Know your audience – which of these is relevant to them?

HOW do most people get counted?

Use your CENSUS ID NUMBER (sent by mail in March 2020):



ONLINE: visit the Census website and fill out the survey online

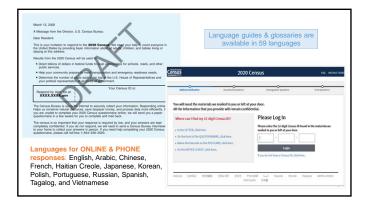


 $\underline{\mbox{\bf BY PHONE}}\!\!:$ call the Census Bureau and provide your answers over the phone



BY MAIL: request a paper Census form that can be mailed back to the Census Bureau (English & Spanish only)

San Francisco Bay Area residents can bring their Census ID Numbers to a local **Questionnaire Assistance Center (QAC)** for in-language assistance.



Key Messages About The Census

Easy



Short questionnaire. Depending on your household, it takes about 10 minutes to complete

Safe



Census Bureau workers take an oath to protect the confidentiality of the data. The penalty for unlawful disclosure is a fine up to \$250,000 or imprisonment of up to 5 years, or both.

Important



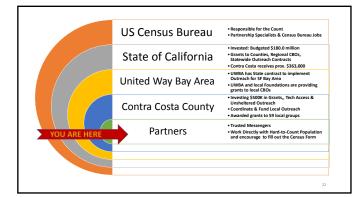
Census Data helps determine our political representation and funding for local roads, schools, and community improvement

Barriers to a Complete Count

- First online Census: Concerns about digital divide and fears about security
- Deep Distrust in government and fallout from Citizenship Question legal battle combined with ongoing political rhetoric and ICE raids
- Disconnect between the importance of the Census and daily life difficult to see direct impact of being counted.

Overcoming Barriers

 Our focus is to work with trusted messengers to create a deep grassroots effort to reach the hardest to count populations.



Contra Costa Count	y Outreach	Strategy	Goals
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- Achieve a Self-Response Rate of at least 76.9% (2010 Self Response Rate according to the US Census Bureau);
- 2. Increase participation in hard-to-count communities;
- Collaborate with the U.S. Census Bureau, State, regional groups, the Regional ACBO, Contra Costa cities and special districts, and community organizations to avoid duplication and effectively communicate the Census message; and
- 4. Build additional capacity and strengthen Contra Costa County community-based organizations through Census outreach efforts.

Ambassador Program

Program for individuals to assist in Census Outreach and Assistance – includes a Student Ambassador Program!

Sign up to help:

□Adopt Your Block

□Social Media Promotion

☐Host a House Party

□Event Volunteer
□QAK/QAK Volunteer

□Give a Presentation

□Table at School Events (Student)

☐Start/Participate in a Census Club on Campus (Student)

☐Initiate a Family Census Conversation



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THANK YOU

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