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NEVADA CENSUS 2020 FACT vs FICTION

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The 2020 Census isn't really that **Every 10-year census is important** important, and it's not a big deal if you **to Nevadans. Accurate data helps** don't participate. There's always **determine how much federal** another one in 2030. **funding goes to Nevada to:**

- Help our schools
- Support public safety like fire and police
- Repair and maintain our roads and other important
- Promote affordable housing
- Support local hospitals and health care programs

The Census Bureau will use your **No.** There are strict laws to protect personal information and share it with other federal agencies to determine citizenship status.

your personal information and prohibit Census employees from sharing information that identifies an individual. The data is only used to determine how much federal funding goes to your community.

The Census questionnaire is too long and complicated to fill out. **complete!** It takes about ten minutes to do. You can complete your form in one of three ways:

The 2020 Census is fast and easy to

- Online
- By phone

- In writing



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The 2020 Census questionnaire asks about your citizenship status. **No. The 2020 Census WILL NOT ask for: citizenship status, Social Security numbers, bank or credit account numbers, money or donations, anything about or on behalf of a political party.**

Federal funding will be given to Nevada regardless if you participate in the Census. **No. Nevada stands to receive over \$20,000 over the next ten years for each man, woman, and child who is counted in Nevada. If even one person isn't counted in Nevada, it means the \$20,000 of funding that rightfully belongs in Nevada will go to another state.**

The funding isn't that much and doesn't make an impact. **Nevada is able to receive more than \$60 billion of federal funding over the next ten years that is used at county and city levels for education, roads, affordable housing projects, health care, public safety, job training, and other programs that help improve Nevadans' daily lives.**

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Nevada 2020 Census Frequently Asked Questions

Q. What is the Census?

- A. The U.S. Census is conducted every ten years to collect statistical information about each household in Nevada.

Q. Will my personal information be protected?

- A. Census Bureau employees are required by strict federal law to protect your personal information and are not allowed to disclose or publish any census information that identifies an individual. Census data is only allowed to be used for statistical purposes.

Q. Why is the Census important?

- A. The statistical data collected from the Census is used to help determine how much of more than \$675 billion in federal funding should go to Nevada. The funding helps:
- maintain local public education
 - support affordable housing
 - maintain and repair our roads
 - keep our communities safe through our local fire and police departments
 - support local hospitals and other important health care facilities

Q. How do I fill out the Census?

- A. Filling out the Census form is easy. Nevadans can complete their Census form in one of three ways:
- Online – www.census.nv.gov or at your local library
 - Via phone
 - Via mail

Q. Who gets counted?

- A. All Nevadans! Including college students, active military members, babies and children under 18, renters and multigenerational households.



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Q. How long does it take to complete the Census?

- A. It should take about ten minutes to fill out the Census – less time than to finish your morning coffee.

Q. When can I fill out my Census form?

- A. You can participate in the 2020 Census beginning mid-March through April 1 via email, phone, or mailing in a hard copy of the questionnaire.

Q. Where can I get more information about the Census?

- A. You can visit the Nevada Census 2020 website at www.census.nv.gov.

Q. Is there someone I can call if I have concerns about the Census or have questions that aren't answered online?

- A. Yes, you can call 775-684-5682, weekdays between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

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How to Respond

Completing the Census is easy, and you can get help or support.

- By April 1, 2020 every Nevadan household will receive an invitation to participate in the 2020 Nevada Census. You will have *three* options for responding: *online, by phone or by mail*.
- **ONLINE or by PHONE**
About 80% of Nevada households will receive a postcard from the Census Bureau in the mail including a link to the official 2020 Census website and a unique identification code. You may use this code to respond through the 2020 Census website or by phone.
- **MAIL or IN PERSON**
If you do not respond online or by phone, a paper questionnaire will be sent to you which you can fill out and mail back to the Census Bureau. If you do not respond to that, individual Census workers may come to your door to collect your responses.
- The other 20% of households, mostly rural areas with PO Box mail delivery, will have a form delivered to them to be completed by mail or by internet.