

# 2020 Census Overview

House Committee on Redistricting

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# 2020 Census Timeline

- Planning, 2010 - 2019
  - Operation
  - Product development (data needs)
- Operations, 2019 - 2020
  - Collecting data
- Reporting, 2021
  - Publishing results

# Planning

- Redistricting Data Office and State Legislatures
  - NCSL Annual Meetings, 2010-2013
  - State Liaisons, 2013
- 2014 Census Test
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# Planning: Race and Ethnicity

- Outreach and Research
  - National Advisory Committee on Racial, Ethnic and Other Populations
  - Tribal consultation meetings
  - 2015 National Content Test
- 2020 Census – two questions (OMB 1997)
  - Is Person 1 of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin?
  - What is Person 1's race?

# Planning

- Report to Congress by March 31, 2017
  - subjects planned for 2020 Census
- [Federal Register Notice](#), February 8, 2018
  - Final 2020 Census Residence Criteria and Residence Situations
- Report to Congress – by March 31, 2018
  - Question wording
- [Federal Register Notice](#), May 1, 2018
  - Final Content Design for the Prototype 2020 Census Redistricting Data File.

# Operations

- Local Update of Census Addresses, 2017 - 2019
- Address Canvassing, 2019
- Field Operations
  - Group quarters outreach February 2019
  - Internet, mail, phone response began March 2019
  - COVID-19 pandemic
  - Transitory locations delayed to September
  - Non-response follow-up scheduled to end July 26<sup>th</sup>;  
postponed to October 15<sup>th</sup>

# Operations

- Field Operations: [Self-response](#)
  - National self-response rate 67.0%
  - Oregon 2020 self-response rate 69.2%
    - (internet 57.4%)
  - Oregon 2010 self-response 66.9%



# Operations

- Field Operations: [Non-response follow-up \(NRFU\)](#)
  - Repeat visits; phone
  - Administrative records
  - Proxy interviews (neighbors)
  - Household composition probability (imputation)
  - Re-interviews and verification
- Final response rate “99.98 percent”
  - [Census Bureau, October 19, 2020](#)

# Reporting: Personal Data Confidentiality

- Disclosure Avoidance: “The use of Differential Privacy in protecting respondent data leads to the need to balance statistical accuracy with privacy loss.”
  - [Census Bureau web page, Statistical Safeguards](#)
- Invariant at these levels of geography and higher:
  - Total population (at the state level)
  - Total housing units (at the census block level)
  - Number of group quarters facilities by type (at the census block level)

## Reporting: Apportionment

- We ... plan to deliver a complete and accurate state population count for apportionment in early 2021, as close to the statutory deadline as possible.
  - [Census Bureau, December 30, 2020](#)
- The earliest date the apportionment numbers will be ready is March 6... as the Census Bureau fixes anomalies discovered during data processing, Department of Justice attorneys said Monday during a court hearing.
  - [AP News January 11, 2021](#)

## Reporting: Redistricting Data

- Public Law 94-171 requires that the redistricting data be delivered to state officials within one year of Census Day or no later than April 1, 2021.
- As close to April 1, 2021, as possible: By this date, the Census Bureau will send redistricting counts to the states. This information is used to redraw legislative districts based on population changes.
  - [Census Bureau web page, Important Dates](#)

# Reporting: Redistricting Summary File

## Table P1: RACE (Universe: Total population)

Population of one race:

White alone

Black or African American alone

American Indian and Alaska Native alone

Asian alone

Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone

Some Other Race alone

Two or More Races:

57 possible combinations

# Reporting: Redistricting Summary File

Table P2: HISPANIC OR LATINO, AND NOT HISPANIC OR LATINO  
BY RACE (Universe: Total population)

Hispanic or Latino

Not Hispanic or Latino

Population of one race:

6 broad race groups

Two or More Races:

57 possible combinations

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## Table P3: RACE FOR THE POPULATION 18 YEARS AND OVER

(Universe: Total population 18 years and over)

Population of one race:

6 broad race groups

Two or More Races:

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## Table P4: HISPANIC OR LATINO, AND NOT HISPANIC OR LATINO BY RACE FOR THE POPULATION 18 YEARS AND OVER

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## Table P5: GROUP QUARTERS POPULATION BY GQ TYPE

(Universe: Population in group quarters)

### Institutionalized population

Correctional facilities for adults

Juvenile facilities

Nursing facilities/Skilled-nursing facilities

Other institutional facilities

### Noninstitutionalized population

College/University student housing

Military Quarters

Other noninstitutional facilities

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## Table H1: OCCUPANCY STATUS

(Universe: Housing Units)

Occupied

Vacant

Thank You, Madam Chair and Members of the  
Committee!

Questions and Comments

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