Your 2020 Census Quick Guide

Why should I participate in the census?
When you complete the census, you're standing up not only for yourself, but for your community.

- Over $115 billion is spent every year on California schools, healthcare, housing, transportation, and other vital programs determined by census data.
- If California doesn’t have an accurate count, we could lose a seat in Congress.
- If you don’t complete the census, your identity and community is invisible to people who have the power to make major decisions affecting your life.

How do I complete the census?

Census Action Kiosks (CAK) will be located across the City and in your community

On your own internet-ready computer, smartphone, or tablet

Call one of the U.S. Census Bureau’s Census 2020 hotlines to request or complete a questionnaire

Check your mailbox for a questionnaire from the U.S. Census Bureau

When does the census happen?

- March: Invitations are mailed out asking households to respond to the new online census. Reminder letters go out towards the end of the month.
- April: Reminder postcards go to households that haven’t responded online. You may receive a reminder letter and paper questionnaire if you have not responded by their fourth reminder.
- May: Census takers will visit households that have not responded.

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