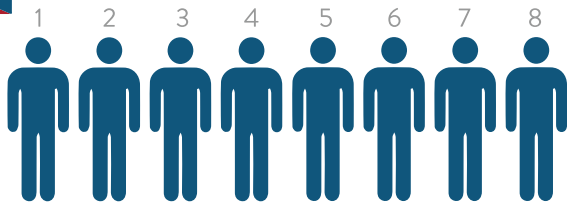


2020 CENSUS

everyone counts, literally.




The census counts every person living in the U.S. once, only once, and in the right place.

WHY IS IT IMPORTANT?

Not only is it your duty as a citizen, the census collects data that can be used in a variety of ways.

for example, the distribution of over
\$900 BILLION DOLLARS
supporting your state, county, and community's vital programs.



After each census, state officials redraw the boundaries of their congressional and state legislative districts, adapting to population.

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The data is also used to reapportion the House of Representatives, it determines how many seats each state gets.

 **DON'T WORRY**

The census will only collect basic information about the people who live in your household. Strict federal laws protect your responses.

WHEN CAN I COMPLETE THE CENSUS?



You will receive a notice in the mail inviting you to complete the census online.



In May,

The U.S. Census Bureau will begin following up in person with households that haven't responded to the census.

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