

# 2020 Census: Where To Count Yourself If You Haven't Responded Yet

The 2020 Census is a once-a-decade population count of everyone who lives in the United States on April 1. Responses from the census help determine how hundreds of billions of dollars in federal funds are allocated for critical public services and programs in communities around the country each year for the next 10 years.

If you haven't responded yet, respond now online at [2020census.gov](https://2020census.gov), by phone, or by mail. You should respond for the address of your **usual residence** (which is the place where you live and sleep most of the time) as of April 1, 2020, even if you were temporarily staying elsewhere on April 1, 2020.

## Here are some possible scenarios and where you would count yourself:

<i>If:</i>	<i>Count yourself:</i>
You were temporarily staying somewhere on April 1 due to work, family, COVID-19, or another reason, but you plan to return to your usual residence.	At your usual residence.
You were temporarily staying somewhere on April 1, but you aren't sure if you will return to your usual residence.	Where you were staying on April 1.
You've moved to a new usual residence.	Where you were living on April 1. (See more details about "Moving on Census Day".) < <a href="https://2020census.gov/en/who-to-count.html">https://2020census.gov/en/who-to-count.html</a> >

## You left your college or university because of COVID-19

... AND you lived in campus housing.	You don't need to count yourself — your school will include you in the count for the dormitory or other campus housing.
... AND you lived off campus.	And any roommates at the off-campus address where you lived because that was your usual residence. (See more details about "Counting College Students".) < <a href="https://www.census.gov/library/fact-sheets/2020/dec/counting-college-students.html">https://www.census.gov/library/fact-sheets/2020/dec/counting-college-students.html</a> >

## You have multiple residences.

You live at multiple places throughout the year.	Where you usually live most of the year. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If you spend equal parts of the year at two addresses, count yourself at the address where you were staying on April 1. (See more details about "Multiple Residences".) &lt;<a href="https://2020census.gov/en/who-to-count.html">https://2020census.gov/en/who-to-count.html</a>&gt;</li> </ul>
You received an invitation to respond at a seasonal or vacation residence where you usually do not live or sleep most of the time.	Respond online or by phone and answer "no" when asked if you or anyone else was living or staying at that address on April 1, 2020. Then, respond for the address where you usually live and sleep and include everyone who usually lives with you.

If you've already responded to the 2020 Census, or someone has responded on your behalf (like parents or roommates), and you've since moved, **you don't need to respond again**. But if you don't know whether you were already counted by someone else who lives with you, you should go ahead and respond to the 2020 Census — be sure to count yourself and everyone else living there, providing as much information as you have for each person. The Census Bureau can identify and correct duplicate responses.

To learn more about who to count and where to count yourself for a variety of other circumstances, including displacement as a result of natural disasters and living in transitory locations, visit "Who To Count" <<https://2020census.gov/en/who-to-count.html>>.

Make sure you're counted in the right place by responding online now at [2020census.gov](https://2020census.gov), by phone, or by filling out the paper form you received in the mail. If you didn't receive a paper form, and you don't have a Census ID for the address where you need to count yourself, you can use the online or phone response options without using an ID. You should respond for everyone living at your address, providing as much information as you have for each person. (See more details about "Responding to the Census".) <<https://2020census.gov/en/ways-to-respond.html>>

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