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Your 2020 Census Guide for families

If I don't fill out the census, is it that bad?

Over \$115 billion is spent every year on California schools, healthcare, housing, transportation, and other vital programs determined by census data.

In 2010, an estimated 74,000 children were not counted in Los Angeles County. An inaccurate count affects funding for programs that serve young children, including Head Start, the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP, food stamps), and the National School Lunch Program. Your actions today will impact your children and their future. Do your part to make sure everyone in your household gets counted.

Who needs to be counted?

Everyone living in or staying at your address most of the time (including the garage or a camper on your property) needs to be counted, regardless of their age. Count all children, including infants and newborns, even if they are still in the hospital on April 1, 2020 (Census Day). Children who divide their time between two homes throughout the year should be counted in the household where they are living on April 1, 2020. Be sure to remind the person who fills out the census survey in your household to count all children.

Which questions will be on the census?

The survey will ask for the following information on each person:

- age
- date of birth
- Hispanic or Latino origin
- race
- relationship to head of household
- sex

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- renter or homeowner
- other questions (like the name of each person and the household phone number)

The questionnaire will take about 10 minutes to complete, but may take longer if there are multiple people living in your household.

You will not be asked to provide the social security number or immigration status of anyone in your household.

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