

2020 Census Key Dates

2019

January 2019 through December 2019

- Engage and Educate Local Leaders, Partners, & Communities
- Formation of Complete Count Committees

January 2019 through February 2019

- Early Area Census Offices Open (these offices run the Address Canvassing Operation)

April 2019 through January 2020

- New Construction Program for States/Localities to Add New Living Quarters (voluntary program)

June 2019 through August 2019

- LUCA (Local Updating of Census Addresses) Feedback Operation (LUCA participants receive files showing how Census Bureau dispensed with proposed additions or changes of census addresses)

Spring/Summer 2019

- Recruit/Hire Temporary Address Listers for Targeted Address Canvassing Operation

Summer 2019 through January 2020

- LUCA Appeals Process: LUCA participants can appeal Census Bureau decisions on additions or corrections to their address lists, within 45 days of receiving feedback materials

August 2019 through September 2019

- Address Canvassing Operation (~30% of country, high growth & change areas and not part of hand delivery designated areas)

Fall 2019

- Begin Dedicated Recruitment for Temporary Census Workforce

2020

February 2020 through June 2020

- Group Quarters Operations (Count of residents in shelters, dorms, nursing homes, transitory locations, prisons, military bases, RV parks, etc. Local governments & Census identify and plan these operations.)

Mid-January 2020 through July 2020

- Census Questionnaire Telephone Assistance and Response Options begin operation

Mid-March 2020

- Residents invited to respond (all residents have 3 options to self-respond: (1) internet, (2) telephone, & (3) paper)

Mail (to USPS mailable addresses)

OR

Hand Delivery (to rural/PO Box, non-USPS Housing)

1. Letter Mailed

1. List Housing Units

2. Reminder Postcard

2. Leave Questionnaire and letter with other

3. Then Paper Questionnaire

response options (internet & phone)

April 2020

- Early Non-Response Follow-Up Begins (primarily areas around colleges/universities where the population leaves before Early May)

May 2020

- Non-Response Follow-Up Begins for Households that do not self-respond (households can continue self-respond)

December 31, 2020

- Census Bureau Delivers Census Results to the President

