



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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## Senator Montgomery Reminds You To Participate in the 2020 Census

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The graphic features a portrait of Senator Velmanette Montgomery on the left. To her right, the text reads: "IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM NEW YORK STATE SENATOR VELMANETTE MONTGOMERY 25TH SENATE DISTRICT". In the top right corner is the New York State Senate seal. Below this, a large orange bar separates the header from the main title "CENSUS 2020" in large, bold, blue letters. Underneath the title, the text "What is the Census and how will it impact our communities?" is written in a smaller, blue, sans-serif font.

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All About the 2020 U.S. Census

## What is the Census?

The Census is a nationwide survey taken every 10 years that counts every living person in the United States. The last census was conducted in 2010, which means that the next one will take place this year.

## Why is the Census important?

Census data is used to determine how many seats our State gets in the U.S. Congress and how \$675 Billion in federal funds is allocated among the States, including **funding for our schools, hospitals, senior centers, public transportation, roads and bridges.**

## How do I Participate in the Census?

Starting in March, 95% of households will receive an invitation in the mail, while about 5% will have their invitation dropped off by a census worker or be interviewed in person. Every household will have the option of responding online, by mail, or by phone. To learn more about the census, visit: [2020census.gov/en/what-is-2020-census.html](https://2020census.gov/en/what-is-2020-census.html)

## If I Participate in the Census, will my personal information be safe?

The Census Bureau is required by law to keep your personal information safe and confidential. Your census responses cannot be used against you by law enforcement agencies, including U.S. immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), or to

determine if you are eligible for government services.

## **How can I apply for a job as a census worker?**

To apply for a census job, visit: [2020census.gov/en/jobs.html](https://2020census.gov/en/jobs.html)

If you need assistance filing out the census, please contact my office at (718) 643-6140.