What to expect in the mail

When it's time to respond, most households will receive an invitation in the mail. Every household will have the option of responding online, by phone, or by mail.

Depending on how likely your area is to respond online, you'll receive either an invitation encouraging you to respond online or an invitation along with a paper questionnaire.

Letter invitation

- Most areas of the country are likely to respond online, so most households will receive a letter asking them to go online to complete the census questionnaire.
- ➤ We are working with the U.S. Postal Service to stagger the delivery of these invitations over several days. This way we can spread out the number of users responding online, and we'll be able to serve you better if you need help over the phone.

Letter invitation and paper questionnaire

Areas that are less likely to respond online will receive a paper questionnaire along with their package. The package will also include information about how to respond online or by phone.

We understand that you might miss our initial letter in the mail.

- > Every household that hasn't responded will receive reminders and will eventually receive a paper questionnaire.
- If you don't respond online, by phone, or by mail, we will follow up in person.

What we will send you in the mail:



March 12-20

An invitation to respond online to the 2020 Census...

(Some households will also receive paper questionnaires.)



March 16-24

A reminder letter.



March 26-April 3

A reminder postcard.



April 8-16

A reminder letter and paper questionnaire.



April 20-27

A final reminder postcard before we follow up in person.

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