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Census 2010

EASY Every residence will receive a short questionnaire that is simple and fast to complete and return.

SAFE By law, the Census Bureau cannot share an individual's answers with anyone including federal, state and local agencies.

IMPORTANT Over \$300 billion in federal funds awarded to states and communities for new hospitals, schools, better transportation and social services.

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New Jersey State Data Center: 609-984-2216

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FACT SHEET #3 WHERE TO BE COUNTED?

Where do you live and sleep most of the time?

- The US Census Bureau is committed to counting every person... and to count every person in the **correct place**.
 - The guiding principle for the Census is "usual residence", which is defined as the place **where the person lives and sleeps MOST OF THE TIME**. This place is not necessarily the same as the person's voting residence or legal residence.
 - **The census forms will be mailed out in March 2010...and will not be forwarded by the Post Office.** The forms that are mailed to a residence are geocoded specifically to that address.
 - **Snowbirds** (people who live in one state but spend the winter in another state with a warmer climate) are to be counted at the **residence where they live most of the year**.
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What to do if you spend most of the time over the year in your residence and you receive a form while you are away?

- Wait to return to your "usual residence" and complete a form in person with a Census enumerator or at a County Library or Questionnaire Assistance Center (QAC). A list of QAC's will be listed here when established.
- Replacement Census Questionnaires - For the first time, the Census will be mailing out replacement Census forms to non-respondents within a initial period of time, sometime in May or June 2010.
- The Residence Rules also affect college students, live-in nannies, military personnel, migrant workers, and people away on business or vacation.



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