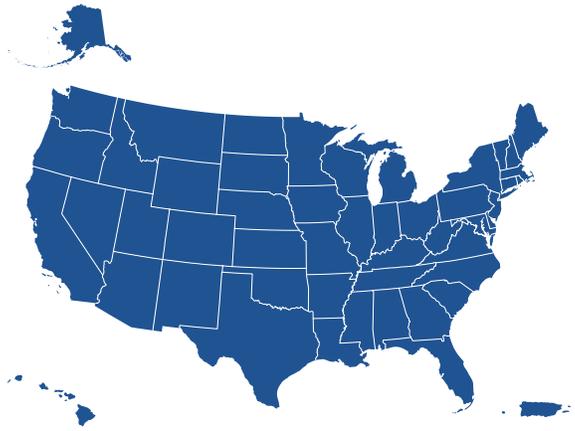


# 2020 Census Count Question Resolution Operation



The 2020 Census Count Question Resolution Operation (CQR) gives tribal, state, and local governments an opportunity to request a review of their official 2020 Census counts. The operation reviews legal boundary discrepancies and potential errors in processing housing and population counts.

Governments with questions about their counts can use the process to request a review of the following situations:

- **Boundary cases.** We can review legal government unit boundaries in effect as of January 1, 2020, and the associated addresses affected by the boundaries.
- **Housing count cases.** We can review the geographic location or placement of housing and associated population. We can also review the census results to determine whether census processing error(s) excluded valid housing and associated population data.

## Can CQR alter the redistricting data, apportionment results, or other 2020 Census data products?

- CQR does not change official 2020 Census data.
- If changes are needed because we find an error, we will issue an errata notice. This notice will include updated housing and population counts for each census block with a correction.

- We will also update the census totals we use to build our population estimates each year.

## What information cannot be changed via a CQR request?

- CQR does not involve changes to data based on the U.S. Census Bureau's use of differential privacy to mask personally identifiable information about individuals.
- CQR does not impact or change a state's overall population in its apportionment count or a state's number of seats in the U.S. House of Representatives.

## Who can submit a review request through this program?

- CQR requests can only be submitted by the highest elected or appointed officials (or their representative) of federally recognized American Indian tribes, states, counties, incorporated places, actively functioning minor civil divisions, municipios in Puerto Rico, Alaska Native Regional Corporations, and Alaska Native Village statistical areas.



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### **Will the Census Bureau publish a list of filed CQR requests on the 2020 Census?**

- We will publish updated lists on [www.census.gov](http://www.census.gov) of in-scope requests as we conclude work on cases, typically within 90 days of receiving inquiries. In compliance with Title 13, we will not be able to disclose specific details about the requests.
- We will respond to all CQR requests received, even if the request is out of scope.

### **What is the schedule for the CQR operation?**

- In December 2021, the Census Bureau will notify the 40,000 tribal, state, and local governments in the United States about the CQR operation and provide more information about how to participate.

- We will begin accepting CQR cases January 3, 2022. The deadline for submitting a case is June 30, 2023.
- We will provide results on a rolling basis through September 30, 2023. Results will be provided to the highest elected or appointed official of all affected governments and will also be posted as errata on [census.gov](http://census.gov).

### **CQR Press Kit**

[www.census.gov/newsroom/press-kits/2021/2020-census-count-question-resolution.html](http://www.census.gov/newsroom/press-kits/2021/2020-census-count-question-resolution.html)