

Census data in action

The information relied upon by organisations and businesses is only made possible if they have accurate Census data.

The **Royal Flying Doctor Service** provides emergency medical and primary health care services to people who live, work or travel in rural and remote Australia.

Using Census data, the Royal Flying Doctor Service can predict where and when they'll be needed the most, and primary healthcare clinics can better provide remote communities with services.

Playgroup Australia connects babies, toddlers and parents through play, learning and friendship.

Using Census data, it can plan where a playgroup would be beneficial to local families. It does this by understanding factors that affect families such as income and work commitments, living situation, cultural background, religion and education.

What happens to your personal information

The personal information you provide is protected by law and isn't shared with anyone. This includes other government agencies. You can't be identified by the information you share about yourself and your family in your Census.

Where to get help

-  www.census.abs.gov.au
-  **1800 512 441**
-  **For help in your language, call the Translating and Interpreting Service (TIS National) on 131 450.**



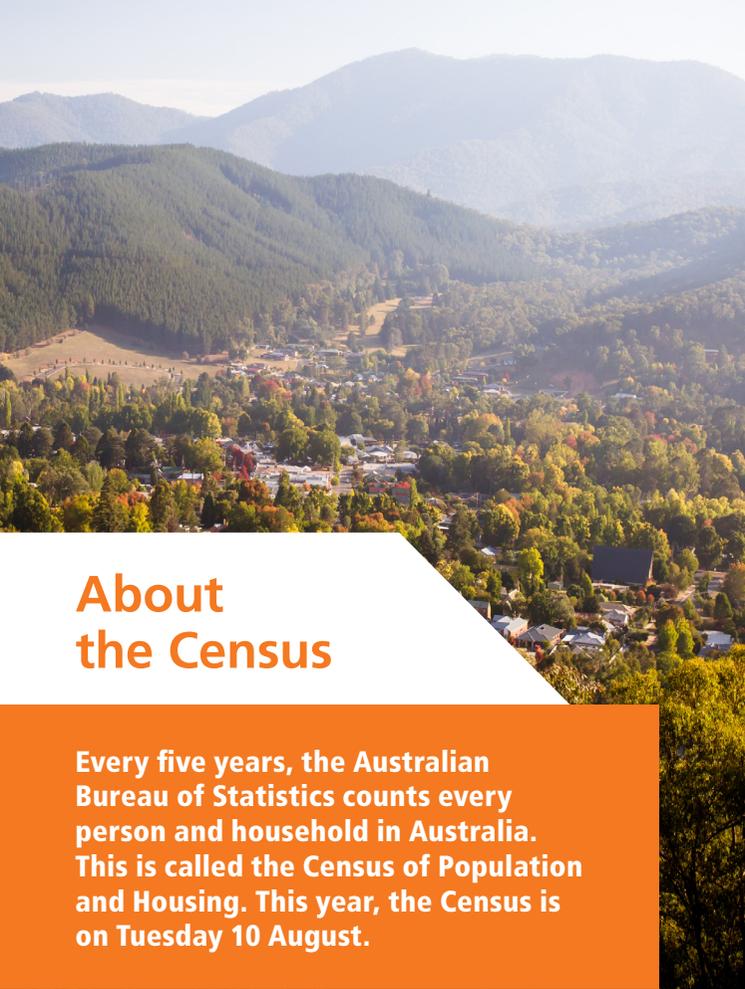
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2021 Census

Tuesday 10 August 2021

Every stat tells a story.



About the Census

Every five years, the Australian Bureau of Statistics counts every person and household in Australia. This is called the Census of Population and Housing. This year, the Census is on Tuesday 10 August.

The Census form asks questions about things like your age, country of birth, religion, ancestry, language used at home, work and education.

Census data is used to inform decisions on issues that impact our lives, from schools, healthcare, transport and infrastructure to local services for individuals, families and communities. For example, knowing the number of people living in regional and remote areas informs where doctors are needed, and understanding local birth rates and languages spoken at home links Australians to the community services they need.

How and when to complete the Census

You can complete your Census online, by paper or with help from us. You can start as soon as you get instructions, if you know where you'll be staying on Census night, Tuesday 10 August.

Most households will get instructions in the mail to complete online. This will have your Census number and temporary password. Go to www.census.abs.gov.au when you receive your instructions in early August 2021.

Some households will receive a paper form. Once completed, return your form to us using the reply-paid envelope that will be provided. There are instructions on the form if you prefer to complete online.

Some people living in remote areas and people experiencing homelessness will have help from one of our Census staff.



Who completes the Census

The Census is compulsory*. Everyone in Australia must complete the Census wherever they are on Census night.

*See the 2021 Census Privacy Statement at www.census.abs.gov.au/privacy