



YOUR TIME TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE FOR YOUR COMMUNITY

Census myth busters

The Census is in July and August 2016.

MYTH I did the Census last time. I don't need to do it again.

FACT Yes, you do. Everyone in Australia must do the Census.

MYTH The Police, Housing, Australian Tax Office and Centrelink will get my details from the Census.

FACT No, they won't. The ABS can't share your information with anyone.

MYTH I know the Census field staff. They will see my information.

FACT Census staff can never tell anyone about your information - it's the law.

MYTH The Census doesn't need to know I'm Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander.

FACT Yes, it does. Make sure Census field staff know you are Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander. This will help your community get its share of funding and services so you can have access to educational, health and other important services.

MYTH The Census doesn't need to know how many kids I have.

FACT Yes, it does. Babies and children need to be counted so there is enough funding for schools and health care services in your community to help prepare them for their future. If we don't know about them, they may miss out on more opportunities.



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