

Federal Laws that Protect Census Confidentiality

The Census Act Prohibits the Census Bureau from Disclosing Data that Identifies an Individual.

It is ILLEGAL for the Census Bureau to —

- Disclose Census responses in any way that would personally identify a respondent.
- Allow anyone outside of Census Bureau employees to see Census responses.
- Allow Census data to be used for any nonstatistical purpose.
- Use your Census responses against you.
- Disclose Census responses to other government agencies.

The Census Bureau May Use Census Data Only for Statistical Purposes such as redistricting.

Personal data will and can not be disclosed under Census confidentiality laws. Advocates such as the **Brennan Center for Justice** will work hard to ensure these protection laws are upheld.

