



Hearing to Focus on Economic Impacts of the 2020 Census

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A [hearing](#) before the Joint Economic Committee, “The Economic Impacts of the 2020 Census and Business Uses of Federal Data,” will take place Wednesday, May 22, 2019, at 2:00 p.m., in **210 of the Cannon House Office Building**. A live stream of the hearing will be available on the Committee website: <https://www.jec.senate.gov/public/>.

Witnesses:

Dr. Andrew Reamer, Research Professor
George Washington Institute of Public Policy
George Washington University
Washington, DC

Mr. Howard Fienberg, Vice President, Advocacy
Insights Association
Washington, DC

Ms. Mallory Bateman, Coordinator, State Data Center
Senior Research Analyst, The Kem C. Gardner Policy Institute
The University of Utah
Salt Lake City, Utah

Dr. Nicholas Eberstadt, Henry Wendt Chair in Political Economy
American Enterprise Institute
Washington, DC

Vice Chair Carolyn B. Maloney will preside

Background:

The hearing will focus on the importance of conducting a thorough and accurate decennial census. Census data provide a benchmark for nearly all federal statistics, which are critical to understanding the economy and for businesses as they plan everything from marketing strategies to long-term investments. The discussion occurs amid increased politicization of the 2020 census, with the potential citizenship question threatening to reduce the rate of response in some communities.

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