

On March 12, households in America began receiving their first opportunity to respond to the 2020 Census. Last Friday, the Census Bureau began sharing the percentage of households that have responded in the first 9 days.

I have included a chart of the Response Rates of the municipalities in Bedford County. The chart also includes how the Response Rate for each municipality ranks against the other municipalities in the county. By reviewing these initial Response Rates, it's an opportunity for you to contemplate the success of the actions you and others in Bedford County have taken thus far to encourage your customers, clients and residents to respond to the 2020 Census.

Ultimately, a Response Rate of 100% will mean that your school district, municipality, city, county and social service program will receive its MAXIMUM share of federal funding for the next 10 years.

During this challenging time, take the opportunity to encourage people to respond to the Census using your website and social media posts. Tell others YOU responded. Challenge other municipalities, cities and counties to beat the response rate in your area. Be creative.

[<https://2020census.gov/content/dam/2020census/materials/partners/2020-01/2020%20Response%20Rate%20Challenge%20Toolkit.pdf>]

You have the ability to encourage people to respond to the Census. Some will respond merely because you ask them to. I encourage you to persist with your efforts to motivate people to respond. We have a LONG way to go until the 2020 Census will be completed at the end of July.

The map can be viewed at: 2020census.gov/response-rates

The Response Rate webpage has tools that allow you to share the map on Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn.

The map will be updated daily.

City • County • State	% of Households that have Self-Responded to the Census as of 3/21/20
City of Altoona	22.8%
Blair County	22.1%
City of Johnstown	21.6%
Somerset County	21.4%
Pennsylvania	20.4%
Indiana County	20.0%
Cambria County	19.7%
Bedford County	19.6%
Fulton County	17.9%

Bedford County Municipality	% of Households from each municipality that have Self-Responded to the Census as of 3/21/20	Self-Response Rank of all municipalities in Bedford County as of 3/21/20 [12 total]	Census Tract #
Bedford Boro	35.9%	2	9607
Bedford Twp	13.5%	8	9608
Bloomfield Twp	15.7%	6	9604
Broad Top Twp	8.7%	12	9605
Coaldale Boro	8.7%	12	9605
Colerain Twp	40.7%	1	9610.02
Cumberland Valley Twp	13.4%	9	9611
East Providence Twp	8.7%	12	9605
East St. Clair Twp	13.0%	10	9603
Everett Boro	14.9%	7	9606
Harrison Twp	29.5%	4	9609
Hopewell Boro	15.7%	6	9604
Hopewell Twp	15.7%	6	9604
Hyndman Boro	13.4%	9	9611
Juniata Twp	29.5%	4	9609
Kimmel Twp	12.4%	11	9602
King Twp	12.4%	11	9602
Liberty Twp	18.3%	5	9601
Lincoln Twp	12.4%	11	9602
Londonderry Twp	13.4%	9	9611
Mann Twp	29.7%	3	9610.01
Manns Choice Boro	29.5%	4	9609
Monroe Twp	29.7%	3	9610.01
Napier Twp	29.5%	4	9609
New Paris Boro	29.5%	4	9609
Pavia Twp	12.4%	11	9602
Pleasantville Boro	13.0%	10	9603
Rainsburg Boro	40.7%	1	9610.02
Saxton Boro	18.3%	5	9601
Schellsburg Boro	29.5%	4	9609
Snake Spring Twp	40.7%	1	9610.02
South Woodbury Twp	15.7%	6	9604
Southampton Twp	29.7%	3	9610.01
St. Clairsville Boro	13.0%	10	9603
West Providence Twp	14.9%	7	9606
West St. Clair Twp	13.0%	10	9603
Woodbury Boro	18.3%	5	9601

