



New York State Community Action

Memorandum in Support of NYS Assembly Bill 9554
which will create the 2020 Complete Count Commission
to ensure New York State is counted accurately.
Please support the bill that ensures
every New Yorker counts!

It's not too early to begin working to ensure that New York State is counted accurately in the 2020 Census. The goal of the census is to count everyone once, in the right place.

The accuracy of the count has far reaching impact:

- Drawing federal, state and local legislative districts
- Distribution of federal and state funds
- Information needed for school districts to meet local need
- Planning for hospitals, nursing homes, housing and transportation needs
- Dealing with natural disasters
- Attracting business to an area
- Provide evidence in litigation - land use, voting rights, equal opportunity
- And much more

Low Income Areas Experience Inaccurate Counts!

People with lower education levels, lower literacy abilities and difficulty with the English language may have difficulty understanding the Census as well as the importance of an accurate count. Many distrust or are suspicious of the government, fearing repercussions from their responses. In rural areas homes can be remote and rural routes using post office boxes for mail delivery make it harder to reach people where they live.

The 2020 Complete Count Commission will ensure every New Yorker counts and the 2020 Census is Accurate.

