

American Indian and Alaska Native

2015–2016 Census Tribal Consultation Meetings



Topics of Discussion

- Enumeration: online response option, communications, Tribal Liaison Program, classification and tabulation of response data.
- Geographic programs: Local Update of Census Addresses and the Boundary and Annexation Survey.
- Recruitment for 2020 Census jobs.

Current information can be found on the 2020 Census American Indian and Alaska Native Web site: www.census.gov/aian/2020

The U.S. Census Bureau is conducting tribal consultation meetings and a national webinar with federally recognized tribes across the country as part of our ongoing government-to-government relations with 566 federally recognized tribes. The Census Bureau has notified tribal leaders and associations about the meetings and will provide them program information and census topics for review in advance.

Purpose of the 2015–2016 Census Tribal Consultation Meetings

These meetings will provide a forum for tribes to share insights, make recommendations, and discuss concerns related to the 2020 Census. The Census Bureau has a number of programs related to the 2020 Census to discuss with tribal governments, and these early meetings are only the start for continued communication on topics such as tribal enrollment, tribal lands put into trust, data needs for the tribes, new modes of data collection, and the tribal government liaison program.

Eight consultation meetings will occur between October 2015 and February 2016 and will be held in conjunction with tribal leader meetings and national tribal association conferences.

Objectives

1. Familiarize the tribes with planning for the 2020 Census, including updating addresses, optimizing self-response, using administrative records, and managing field operations.
2. Consult with tribes to determine crucial tribal concerns, issues, or barriers to effective partnership and communication for the 2020 Census.

