



# Dora reminds you to include all little explorers in the 2010 Census!

*Children have been undercounted  
in every census since the first one in  
1790. Please remember to include all your  
children when you complete the  
2010 Census form.*

## **What is the U.S. census?**

Every 10 years, the government reports the number of people who live in the United States by conducting a count called the census. This count is required by the U.S. Constitution.

## **Who should be counted?**

Everyone—even babies! All infants, children and adults who live in a household should be counted, regardless of nationality, citizenship status, race, age or gender. If you have a baby or toddler in your household, remember to include them in the count.

## **Why is the census important?**

Census data are used to determine the number of representatives your state receives in the U.S. Congress, as well as your community's representation in the state legislature. The data are also used to distribute more than \$400 billion in federal funds each year to communities for establishing and improving schools, hospitals, roads and senior services.



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