



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
U.S. Census Bureau
Office of the Director
Washington, DC 20233-0001

Dear Honorable Tribal Leader:

The Census Bureau respectfully requests your tribe's participation in our Race/Ethnicity Coding Improvement Virtual Tribal Consultation. The Race/Ethnicity Coding Virtual Tribal Consultation is the first of many tribal consultations that will occur for the 2030 Census. The two virtual consultations are scheduled for Wednesday, December 11, 2024, from 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM ET and on Wednesday, January 15, 2025, from 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM ET and will be held via the Webex platform. Registration information for both tribal consultations is listed below.

The Race/Ethnicity Coding Improvement Tribal Consultation provides an opportunity for tribes to provide feedback on how detailed race and/or ethnicity and American Indian or Alaska Native populations will be coded in the American Community Survey (ACS) and the 2030 Census. Coding choices guide how data on Native Americans and others are ultimately processed, tabulated, and published. The Census Bureau aims to enhance and improve the code list that was used in the 2020 Census and is currently used in the ACS to ensure that detailed race and/or ethnicity and tribal responses are accurately coded and tabulated in future data collections.

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We are providing for your review the proposed code list and Federal Register Notice with background information about this project. The Federal Register Notice will serve as the official tribal consultation meeting notification, your input on the notice is valued and important to the process. The Census Bureau is seeking feedback on the specific questions below, but will consider all feedback received on topics germane to this notice:

- a) Are there any groups missing from the proposed code list? If so, please identify them and suggest how the groups should be classified and why.
- b) Are any groups on the proposed code list misclassified? If so, please identify them and suggest an alternative classification or indicate if the term should be removed.
- c) Are there alternative terms, abbreviations, or in-language terms people may use to identify with a specific group that should be added to the proposed code list? If so, please identify them and suggest a classification.

We value your tribe's participation in these tribal consultations. If you have questions about the code list in advance of the tribal consultation, please let us know and we can discuss them with you.

Virtual Tribal Consultation in December 2024

DATE: Wednesday, December 11, 2024 **Time:** 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM ET

REGISTRATION LINK:

<https://uscensus.webex.com/weblink/register/r489540f73a388fe3c4c9f6b9bbd3f648>

Virtual Tribal Consultation in January 2025

DATE: Wednesday, January 15, 2025 **Time:** 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM ET

REGISTRTION LINK:

<https://uscensus.webex.com/weblink/register/ree1ade98a8ed634b2754ef6209796141>

[Once you register as an attendee, you will receive an email with login information, or the option to join via phone only.](#)

If you have any questions prior to the consultations, please contact our Tribal Affairs Coordinator, Dee Alexander, at 301-763-9335, or OCIA.TAO@census.gov.

Sincerely,



Robert L. Santos

Director