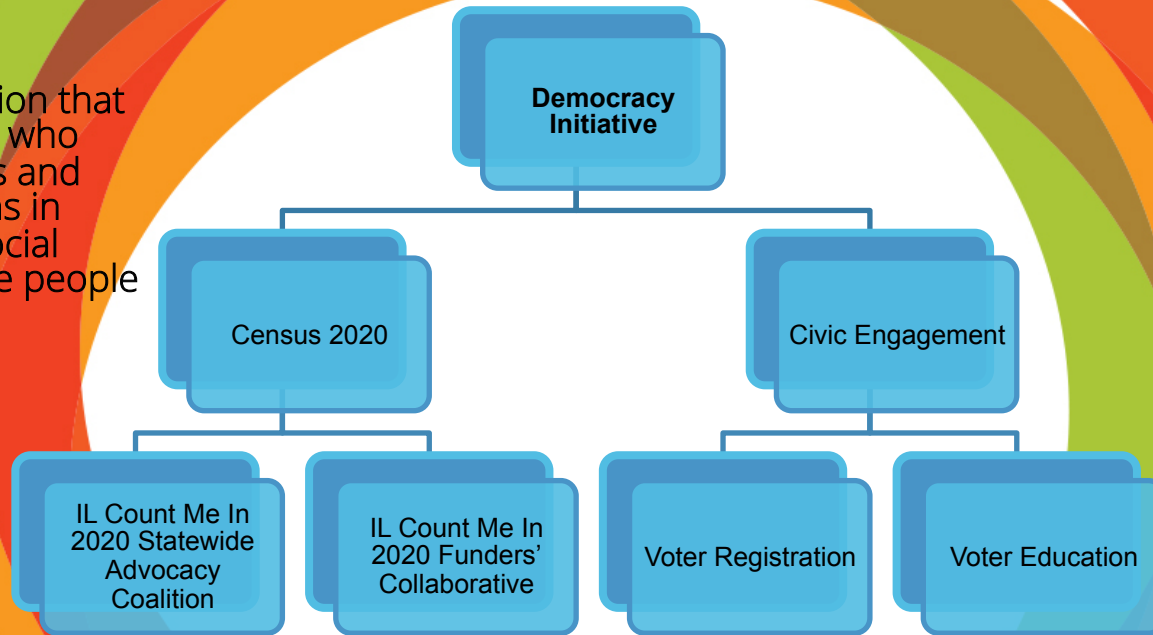




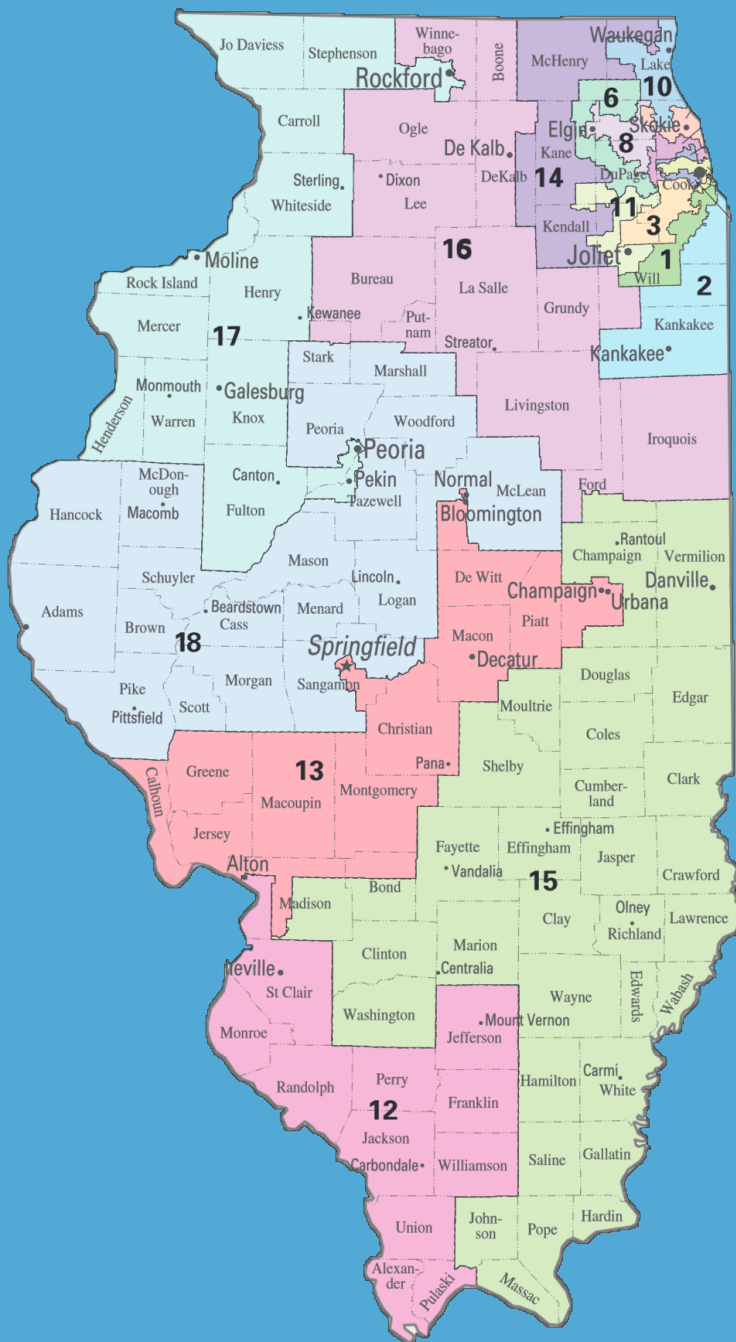
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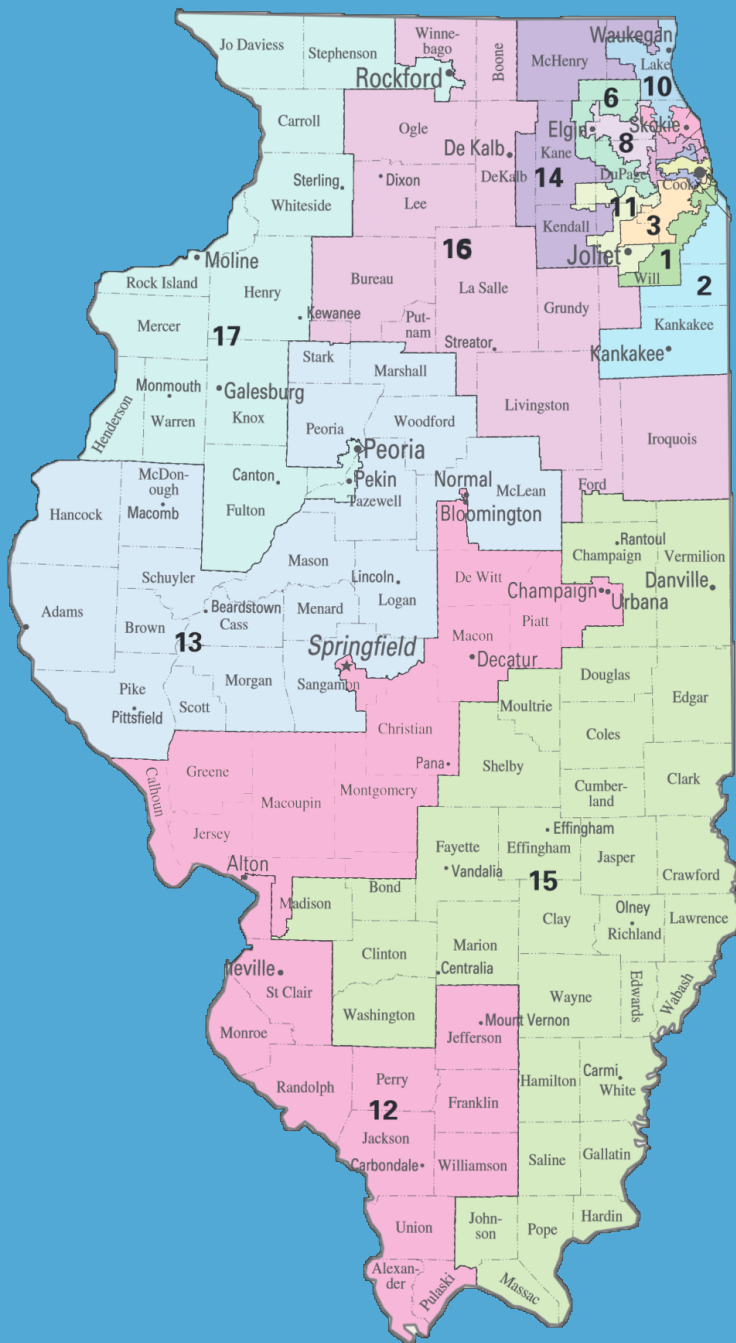
We are a statewide membership organization that serves 1,100 members who are Illinois grantmakers and non-profit organizations in supporting a vibrant social impact sector for all the people of Illinois.



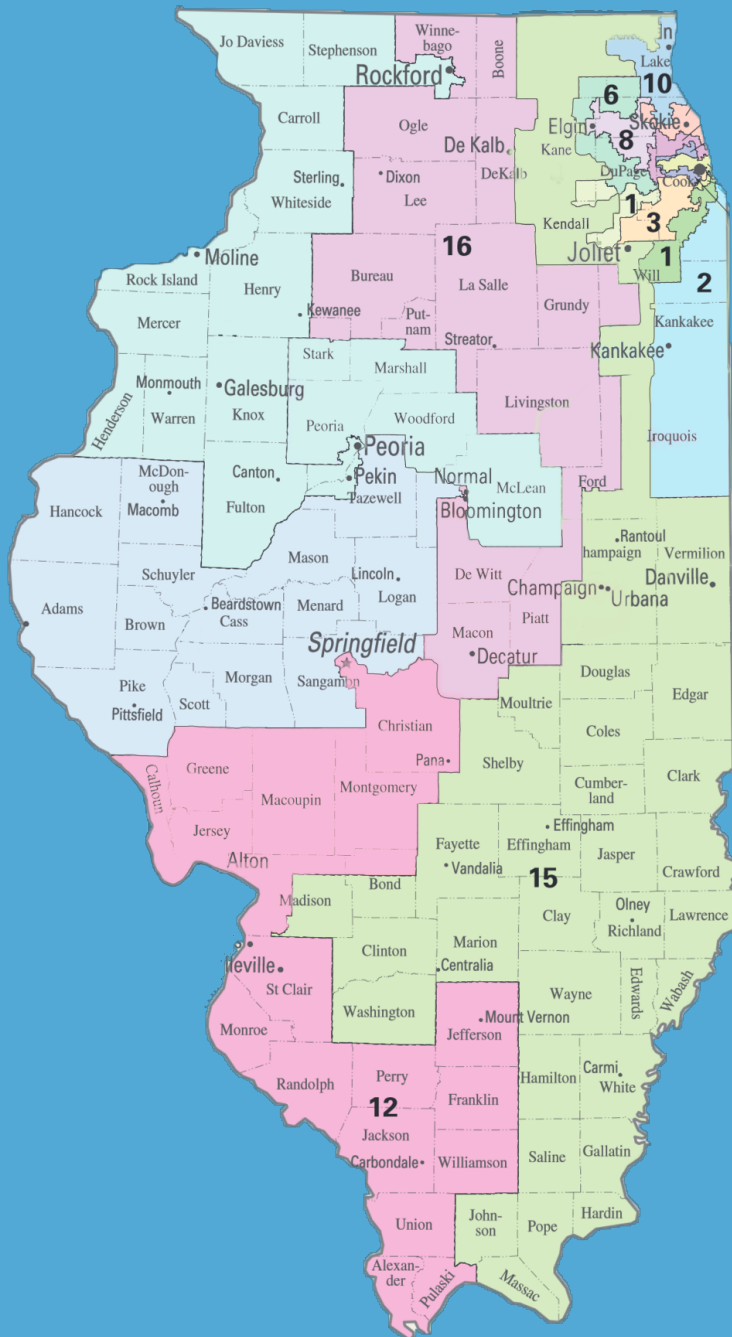
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This is Illinois' Congressional Map right now.



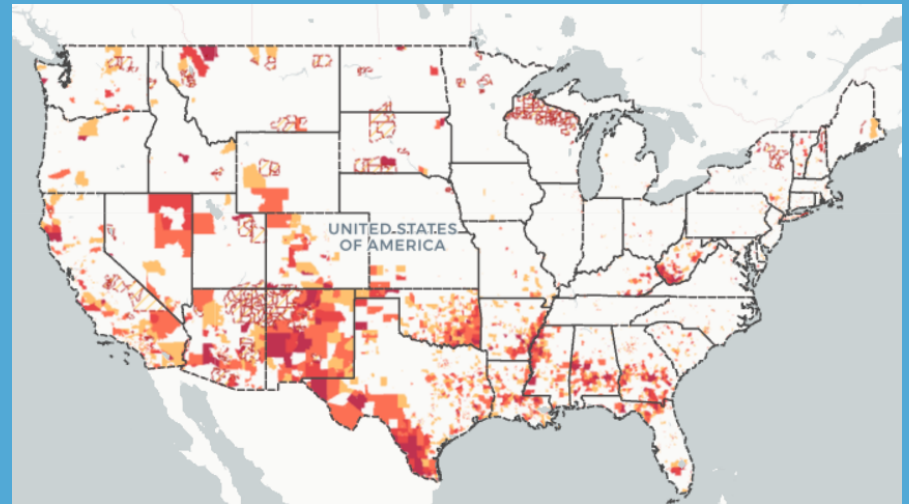
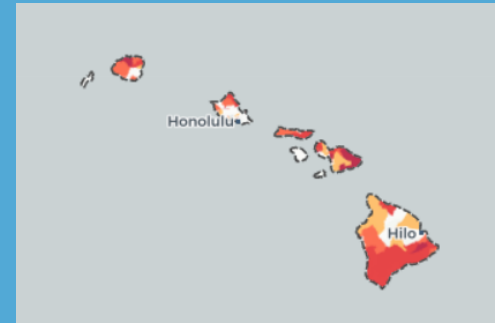
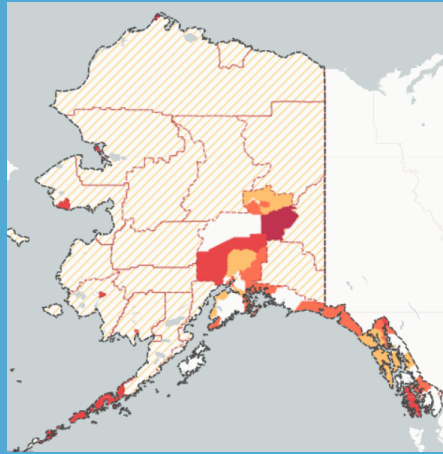
Imagine Illinois
losing a
Congressional
district.



Now imagine
what will happen
if we lose 2,
which is what
could happen if
everyone isn't
counted.

Why is Census Data Important?

- Steven Romalewski CUNY Hard to Count Mapping Tool (<https://www.censushardtocountmaps2020.us/>)
- Congressional representation



Importance of the Census

- Federal funds are distributed based on Census data
- Andrew Reamer Study – Counting for Dollars 2020: The Role of the Decennial Census in the Geographic Distribution of Funds

(<https://bit.ly/2N1r4ij>)

- Andrew Reamer Study – Census-Guided Financial Assistance To Rural America

(<https://bit.ly/32tXbvp>)

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Counting for Dollars 2020

16 Large Federal Assistance Programs that Distribute Funds on Basis of Decennial Census-derived Statistics (Fiscal Year 2015)

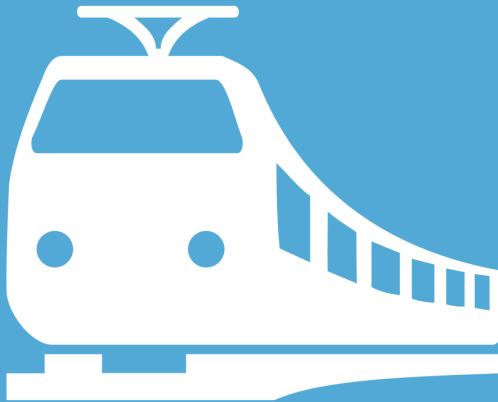
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Total Program Obligations: \$589,695,029,211

Per Capita: \$1,838 (see note on proper use)

CFDA #	Program Name	Dept.	Type	Recipients	Obligations
93.778	Medical Assistance Program (Medicaid)	HHS	Grants	States	\$311,975,766,352
10.551	Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)	USDA	Direct Pay	Households	\$69,489,854,016
93.774	Medicare Part B (Supplemental Medical Insurance) – Physicians Fee Schedule Services	HHS	Direct Pay	Providers	\$64,176,725,988
20.205	Highway Planning and Construction	DOT	Grants	States	\$38,331,904,422
14.871	Section 8 Housing Choice Vouchers	HUD	Direct Pay	Owners	\$19,087,549,000
84.010	Title I Grants to Local Education Agencies	ED	Grants	LEAs	\$13,859,180,910
10.555	National School Lunch Program	USDA	Grants	States	\$11,560,852,485
84.027	Special Education Grants (IDEA)	ED	Grants	States	\$11,233,112,681
93.767	State Children's Health Insurance Program (S-CHIP)	HHS	Grants	States	\$11,089,152,000

Each State stands to lose an average of \$1,800 per year for each person who goes uncounted. For Illinois, this could be close to \$1,400 a person, per year.



These are some of the services funded by money we receive based on our census count.

HOW DOES AN
UNDERCOUNT HAPPEN?

■ HARD-TO-COUNT POPULATIONS

UNDOCUMENTED
INDIVIDUALS

RENTERS

RURAL COMMUNITIES

CHILDREN UNDER 5

IMMIGRANT
COMMUNITIES

THE HOMELESS

LOW-INCOME
COMMUNITIES

PEOPLE OF COLOR

SENIORS

HARD-TO-COUNT GROUPS IN RURAL AMERICA

- CHILDREN UNDER 5
- FARM WORKERS
- IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES
- SENIORS
- RENTERS
- VETERANS
- THE HOMELESS
- PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

HARD-TO-COUNT GROUPS IN RURAL AMERICA – CONTINUED

- MILLENIALS
- MINORITIES
- SNOWBIRDS
- REFUGEES
- YOUNG ADULTS
- PEOPLE LIVING IN
POVERTY
- LANGUAGE
CONSTRAINED

■ RURAL COMMUNITIES

- 1 in 10 Illinoisans live in rural America.
- Roughly 12% of Illinois population lives in rural American.
- Maine has the largest rural population in the United States.
- The Farm Bureau and the farming community can be incredible sources for Census outreach efforts.

CHALLENGES TO THE 2020 CENSUS

Census Challenges

○ Tech

- Societal Digital Divide
- Rotary phones won't work for self-response

○ Operations

- Incomplete Testing
- Leadership Changes

○ Legal

- Disinformation and Misinformation
- Citizenship Question

○ Funding

- Annual Federal Appropriations

IL COUNT ME IN 2020 NATIONAL & STATE EFFORTS

Leadership Conference on Civil and Human Rights

- Census Counts Campaign
- States Count Program
- Regional Census convenings
- Forefront national partner
- **www.censuscounts.org**



IL Count Me In 2020 Statewide Advocacy Coalition

- 40 organizations
- Four Working Groups
- Communications/Messaging Working Group
 - Communications Toolkit
 - “Come to Your Census” Art Event
- **www.ilcountmein2020.org**

IL Count Me In 2020 Funders’ Collaborative

- 22 IL Foundations
 - Co-chairs: *Field Foundation & Polk Bros. Foundation*
- Funded 42 GOTC organizations statewide
- **<https://bit.ly/32rdp8n>**

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ILLINOIS GOVERNMENT EFFORTS

IL Complete Count Commission

- Via the IL Secretary of State
- 22 Members from across the State
- **www.illinoiscensus2020.com**



ILLINOIS
COMPLETE COUNT
COMMISSION

IL Census Office at IDHS

- State Census Advisory Panel
- Two State Co-coordinators
- State Connectivity
- 19 Statewide Regional Intermediaries
- **www.census.illinois.gov**



Census Bureau's 2020 Roll Out

- January-March 2020 Awareness Campaign
- May-June 2020 Reminder Phase
- March-May 2020 Motivation Phase
- June-August 2020 Thank You Phase



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