



November 21, 2024

MEMORANDUM FOR: Robert Santos
Director
U.S. Census Bureau

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FROM: Arthur L. Scott, Jr.
Assistant Inspector General for Audit and Evaluation

SUBJECT: Evaluation of the 2026 Census Test Site Selection Methodology
(# 2025-502)

We are initiating an evaluation of the 2026 Census Test site selection methodology. Our objective is to assess the Census Bureau's methodology used to select the test sites for the 2026 Census Test.

We plan to begin this work immediately. We will contact your audit liaison to schedule an entrance conference, at which time we will discuss the specific nature of our evaluation with you, including our objective and scope, time frames, and any potential requests for data. If you have any questions about this evaluation, please contact me at (202) 577-9547 or Amy Jones, Division Director, at (202) 380-8245.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

cc: Dr. Ron S. Jarmin, Deputy Director and Chief Operating Officer, U.S. Census Bureau
Deborah Stempowski, Associate Director for Decennial Census Programs, U.S. Census Bureau