

Census Jobs FAQs

Special Circumstances for Candidates

[I currently receive assistance \(such as the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program \[SNAP\], Temporary Assistance for Needy Families \[TANF\], Medicaid or Children's Health Insurance Program \[CHIP\]\). Will census income be excluded?](#)

The Census Bureau works with state and tribal governments to get census income excluded so recipients who receive benefits can work as census takers (enumerators) without losing their benefits or eligibility status. The Census Bureau has partnered with the U.S. Department of Agriculture (which administers SNAP) and the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services (which administers TANF) to exclude earned income from temporary employment for 2020 Census. While it is ultimately a state decision whether to exempt 2020 Census income earned, a number of states have already agreed to these waivers. A list of states that currently have a SNAP and/or TANF waiver in place is here:

**States marked with an asterisk have waivers in place for both SNAP and TANF.*

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Alabama*• Alaska*• Arizona• California*• Colorado*• Connecticut*• Delaware*• Florida• Georgia*• Hawaii• Idaho*• Illinois• Indiana• Kansas• Kentucky• Louisiana*• Maine*• Maryland*• Massachusetts• Michigan• Mississippi• Missouri• Montana	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Nebraska*• Nevada• New Hampshire• New Jersey• New Mexico*• New York*• North Carolina• North Dakota (TANF waiver only)• Ohio• Oregon• Pennsylvania*• Rhode Island*• South Carolina• South Dakota*• Tennessee• Texas*• Utah*• Vermont• Virginia• Washington• West Virginia
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