

Count Question Resolution (CQR) Continues

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Scope of CQR

- CQR provides state, local, and tribal officials, or their designated representatives, a process to challenge the census counts of housing and group quarters.
- **The 2010 CQR corrections are based on:**
 - housing and population counts as of April 1, 2010
 - geographic boundaries in place as of January 1, 2010.
- The 2010 CQR Program is not a mechanism or process to challenge or revise the population counts sent to the President by December 31, 2010, which are used to apportion the US House of Representatives.
 - **The Census Bureau will not make any changes to the apportionment, redistricting counts, or official 2010 Census data products.**



3 Types of Challenges Accepted by the CQR Program

- **Boundary Challenges** correct inaccurate reporting or recording of boundaries legally in effect on January 1, 2010.
- **Geocoding Challenges** correct the placement of living quarters and associated population within the correct governmental unit boundaries and 2010 census tabulation blocks.
- **Coverage Challenges** add or delete specific living quarters and people associated with them, identified during the census process, but erroneously included as duplicates or excluded due to processing errors.



2010 Census CQR Challenge Results

- The Census Bureau will notify all affected governmental units of any corrections to their official counts as a result of a CQR Program decision.
- Corrections made to the population and housing unit counts by this program will result in the issuance of new official 2010 Census counts to the officials of governmental units affected.
- **Governmental units may use CQR corrections for future programs requiring official 2010 Census data. The Census Bureau will use the CQR corrections to:**
 - **Modify the 2010 Census file for use in annual postcensal estimates beginning in December 2012, and**
 - **Create errata and make it available on the American FactFinder**
- The Census Bureau will not incorporate the CQR corrections into any 2010 Census data products.



The screenshot shows the '2010 Census Home' page with a navigation bar containing 'ABOUT', 'DATA', 'CONNECT', and 'MULTIMEDIA'. The main content area is titled 'Count Question Resolution' and includes a 'PrintShare this page' link, a paragraph explaining the CQR program, and a list of links for more information. A red arrow points from the 'For more information:' section of the page to a larger, detailed list of links on the right.

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The Census Bureau established the 2010 Census Count Question Resolution (CQR) Program by which State, local and Tribal area elected officials may challenge their jurisdiction's 2010 Census counts. On June 1, 2011, the Count Question Resolution (CQR) Program began accepting 2010 Census challenge submissions. All challenges must be received by the Census Bureau no later than June 1, 2013.

The U.S. Census Bureau partnered with state, local and tribal governments across the nation to help ensure a complete and accurate count in the 2010 Census. The Census Bureau's goal was to count everyone once, only once, and in the right place. There are historically a small percentage of cases where a wrong geographic boundary or coding of a housing unit was used to produce the official census population and housing counts for a local area. There may also be processing errors. The Census Bureau will not collect any additional data during the challenge process.

If a challenge results in a change, the Census Bureau will issue official revised counts to the affected governments. These changes can be used by the governments for future programs that require official 2010 Census data. They will also be used to calculate subsequent population estimates for that community. To view the current list of jurisdictions that have submitted a 2010 CQR Challenge, click here: [2010 CQR Challenges](#) [PDF, 292kb]. To view a document that provides a summary of the Census Bureau's CQR challenge processing activities, click here: [CQR Challenge Process Stages](#) [PDF, 200kb].

To view the CQR Changes by State, Governmental Unit, Tabulation Tract and Block, click here: [2010 Census Notes and Errata](#) [PDF, 1,182 kb]. This document is updated on a weekly basis.

To view 2010 Census maps that were corrected based on the results of 2010 CQR boundary challenges, click here: [2010 Census CQR Corrected Maps](#). These maps are updated on a flow basis starting April 2, 2012.

To view CQR changes identified through notes added to affected data cells in the American FactFinder (AFF) Summary File, Demographic and P L tables, click here: [www.factfinder2.census.gov](#). The CQR updates to AFF will be made on a quarterly basis starting on December 15, 2011.

For more information:

- [Count Question Resolution Brochure](#) [PDF, 488 kb]
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Guidelines for Stateside Count Question Resolution (CQR) Challenges [PDF, 2,237 kb] — Updated
These guidelines provide detailed instructions and examples for how to prepare and submit a CQR challenge. This document was updated on August 2, 2011 with a new FAX Number on page 23, section 5.4.

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These guidelines provide detailed instructions and examples for how to prepare and submit a CQR challenge.

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Challenging Jurisdictions as of 5/10/2012

2010 Census Count Question Resolution

STATE1	JURISDICTION2	HEO3	STATUS4
TX	Brooks County	Raul M. Ramirez	No Change
TX	Cedar Park City	Robert Lemon	Pending
TX	Cibolo City	Jennifer Hartman	Pending
TX	Houston City	Annise Parker	Pending
TX	Knollwood City	Richard Roelke	Pending
TX	Leon Valley City	Chris Riley	Pending
TX	Sunset Valley City	Barbara Willson	Change
TX	Tyler City	Barbara Bass	Change
TX	Webster City	Floyd Myers	Pending

Summary: 2010 Count Question Resolution (CQR)

- <http://2010.census.gov/2010census/about/cqr.php>
- **All challenges must be received by 6/1/2013**
 - All functioning governmental units can challenge counts
 - Includes tribal, state, county, & local governments
 - Highest Elected Official or their designee must initiate challenge
- Census will not change counts provided for apportionment, redistricting counts or official 2010 Census data products
- Dmd.cqr@census.gov – resource for more detailed info

