

# SUNCOAST Weekly Census 2020 Education Network Update



**The Patterson Foundation** is engaging in the Census 2020 Education project with the hope to more closely align community efforts and knowledge across Charlotte, DeSoto, Manatee, and Sarasota counties. You were identified as a community advocate for achieving a complete count during Census 2020. Please feel free to share this newsletter.

**FUN FACT: Nationally, the Census 2020 response rate is at 49%. The number one state is Minnesota with 58%, and Alaska is in second with 32%. Florida is currently ranked 29th overall.**



## The Great Race

Read about our region's race for a #completecount in [this article](#) by Matthew Sauer.

Read about why the race matters for Head Start funding in [this article](#) by Philip Tavil.

## Where are you in the race?

Charlotte - 51% Overall



DeSoto - 36.1% Overall



Manatee - 45.7% Overall



Sarasota - 51.8% Overall



[Click here for the most up-to-date national and state response rates.](#)

## Updated Census 2020 timeline due to COVID-19



## 2020 CENSUS TIMELINE

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**MARCH 12 – OCTOBER 31**

Self-Response Phase: Online, phone and mailed self-responses continue

**JUNE 13 – JULY 9**

Invitation Drop Off: Census takers drop off invitations to non-responders

**AUGUST 11 – OCTOBER 31**

Nonresponse Follow-Up: Census takers will interview households in person

## Share

Do you have a resource or idea to share with the community? Send Census 2020 ideas to [hsaegerkarnei@thepattersonfoundation.org](mailto:hsaegerkarnei@thepattersonfoundation.org) to be included in a future weekly update.



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