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2010 Census shows shift in population that might impact Congress

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Census Bureau Director Robert Groves said, "We will begin to use this data soon in those federal programs for directing money to make sure the funds flow where the people are."

But does the Census go too far? These days Uncle Sam now wants to know your race, income, whether you are buying or renting and how many kids live at home.

Some say it is too nosy.

Executive Vice President of the Cato Institute David Boaz said, "We're doing marketing research for Walmart, Microsoft, every other business in the country. I think those companies should do their own market research."

It is the government's research and came it in about one-and-a-half billion dollars under budget.

WASHINGTON (NBC) -- The 2010 Census is done.

The Census included one hundred twenty million forms and six hundred thousand workers all knocking on fifty million doors across America.

When those numbers come out, expect to see some changes in Washington.

Jeffrey S. Passel of the Pew Research Center said, "Texas really is going to be the big winner. It's expected to gain three seats in the House of Representatives."

Georgia, Florida, North Carolina, Nevada, Arizona and Utah may also gain seats.

New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Ohio are expected to lose.

The official count of America every ten years also determines how four trillion dollars in education, health, transportation and other federal projects are funded.



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