

November 3, 2020

## MEMORANDUM FOR:

Dr. Steven Dillingham Director U.S. Census Bureau

FROM:

Mark Zabarsky Principal Assistant Inspector General for Audit and Evaluation

**SUBJECT:** Evaluation of 2020 Census Data Quality Processes (#2021-386)

We are initiating an evaluation on the quality of the data collected by the U.S. Census Bureau (the Bureau) during the 2020 decennial. Our objective is to assess the adequacy of the Bureau's quality control processes to ensure the data collected during the 2020 decennial count was complete and accurate.

An entrance conference has been scheduled for November 6, 2020, to discuss the specific nature of our project in further detail—including our objective and scope, time frames, and any potential needs for the Bureau to provide data to us. If you have any questions about this evaluation, please contact me at (202) 482-3884 or Terry Storms, Division Director, at (202) 482-0055.

We thank you in advance for your cooperation during this effort.

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