

# AUGUST 9 IS CENSUS NIGHT. OUR MOMENT TO PAUSE AND MAKE A DIFFERENCE.



## Reporting your sex in the 2016 Census

It's important that everyone completes the Census, to get an accurate snapshot of Australia today, to help shape our nation for tomorrow. Please complete your Census on **Tuesday, 9 August 2016**.

From August 1, most households will receive a letter with a unique Census Login. Every household must use it to complete the Census online, or follow the directions to order a paper form.

The default question asks whether you are male or female. We have special procedures if these responses do not apply to you.

**Here are instructions on how to complete the question in the Census.**

### How do I respond online?

If you are using the online form and the responses of male and female do not apply to you, please take the following steps:

1. Call the Census Inquiry Service on **1300 214 531** from 22 July.
2. Ask for a Census Login for the **special online form**. You can receive your Login by SMS or email.
3. Use your new Census Login to complete your Census form at **census.abs.gov.au**
4. Select the 'Other' response and provide more information in the 'Please specify' field, using the term you are most comfortable with (see below).

**People Present**  
Alex Smith (Personal Details)

2. Is Alex male, female or other?

Male

Female

Other (please specify)

[More Information](#)

If you do not wish to request a special online form, please complete the Census using a paper form. You should call **1300 820 275** to request a paper form.

### How do I respond on paper?

If you have a paper form and the responses of male and female do not apply to you, please take the following steps:

1. Leave the male and female boxes unmarked.
2. Write your response in the space to the right of the response boxes, using the term you are most comfortable with (see below).

3 Is the person male or female?

• Mark one box for each person, like this:

Male  Female

WRITE RESPONSE HERE

### Can I fill out a separate form to my household?

If you wish to keep your information private from the other people in your household, you can request a separate online or paper form by calling the Census Inquiry Service on **1300 214 531**. Your household will not be told about your request for a separate form.

### Will my personal information be protected?

All personal information provided in your Census form remains strictly confidential to the ABS. Names and addresses are removed from other reported Census data, and identifiable material will never be released by the ABS. The Census Privacy Statement is available at **census.abs.gov.au**

### What will the ABS do with this data?

The Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) will analyse the data received and publish an article on the number and characteristics of people that have reported as neither male nor female. Evaluation of the 2016 Census will be used to inform future ABS surveys and Censuses.



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