

## Where Is The Asian American Box?

Unlike whites, African Americans and American Indians, there isn't a box for Asian Americans in Census 2020. The Census Bureau realized this issue and tested two formats in 2015, including the format to the right, that treated Asian Americans equally.

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Census is very important! Please make sure you are counted without compromising your dignity and equal rights. Below are some options for your reference:

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Please note that the census data is under strict privacy protection. The Census Bureau can't release individual data to avoid potential misuse.

However, your privacy and equal rights can be at risk if state government agencies and other federal government agencies collect this data. That is why Massachusetts residents rallied against the proposed bill H. 3661 and H. 2681. For policy purposes, the Census Bureau provides aggregated data as granular as the block level, hence no need to duplicate the effort.

**This message is brought to you by the Chinese Americans of Massachusetts, Chinese Americans of Lexington and Asian Americans for Equal Rights.**