The **2018 Census Test** is the culmination of more than a **decade of research** and the last major milestone before the **2020 Census**.

**All systems deployed** and **integrated effectively.**

### Response Rate

**52.3%**

More than half of all households responded to the test on their own (surpassing our goal for the test).

Of those who responded on their own, **6 in every 10** did so **online**.*

- **61%** Internet
- **7%** Phone
- **31%** Mail

Those who did not respond to the mailed questionnaire on their own were visited by one of the **700+ census takers hired** for the 2018 Census Test.

The **test results showed** the Census Bureau was able to **successfully**:

- **Automate** processes for recruiting, hiring and training.
- **Reduce** workload by using administrative records to eliminate vacant housing units first.
- **Optimize** routing of field staff assignments.
- **Capture and transmit** interview data safely and securely.

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*Percentages do not add to 100 due to rounding. Note: This graphic excludes households who received hand-delivered questionnaires rather than mailed materials (less than 1 percent of households).