How Will Camden Be Counted in the 2010 Census?
Camden neighborhoods are among the hardest to count in the country

Overview: The 2010 Census will determine the distribution of approximately $370 billion in federal and state grant money annually in the next decade. It will also determine Camden’s political representation, public perception, and commercial investment. Using a combination of 12 demographic and economic indicators, the Census Bureau created a “Hard to Count” score (HTC) for all 65,000 populated census tracts. All of Camden’s neighborhoods fall into the category of “hard to count” (HTC > 60), and most fall into the top 10% of hardest to count across the country. As HTC scores increase, return rates for Census questionnaires decrease causing areas to become undercounted and underrepresented in official statistics and in all commercial and government numbers derived from them.

Distribution of Census Tracts by “Hard to Count” Score

10% of all tracts nationwide have a HTC score above 76. 86% of Camden residents live in the top 10% of hardest to count neighborhoods throughout the country.

A HTC score above 60 (to the right of red bar) indicates a tract that is “hard to count”. 20% of all Census Tracts in the country, and all Camden neighborhoods are “hard to count”.

To learn about, or participate in the effort to ensure Camden gets a fair count,

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