

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
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Data and Methodology for State, Local Government, and Territory Allocations
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Eligibility of Local Governments

A unit of local government eligible for receipt of direct payment includes a county, municipality, town, township, village, parish, borough, or other unit of general government below the State level with a population that exceeds 200,000.

Overlapping Jurisdictions.

Some local governments (for example, a city) may be entirely within the boundaries of a larger local government (for example, a county or parish). The larger local government may include, for purposes of determining whether it meets the 200,000 threshold for *eligibility*, the population of the smaller, constituent local government.

The population used to calculate the larger local government's *payment amount* will depend on whether any smaller, constituent local government that is eligible to receive a payment provides a certification for payment:

- If the smaller, constituent local government does not provide a certification for payment, the entire population of the larger local government (including the population of the smaller local government) will be used for purposes of calculating its payment amount.
- If the smaller, constituent local government provides a certification for payment, the population of the smaller local government will be subtracted from the population of the larger local government for purposes of calculating its payment amount.

The following examples illustrate these points.

- County A has a total population of 250,000, comprised of 75,000 in City B (the incorporated part of the county within the borders of County A) and 175,000 in the unincorporated part of the county.
 - County A is eligible to receive a payment, because its total population (including both the incorporated City A and the unincorporated part of the county) is greater than 200,000.
 - County A's payment amount will be calculated based on a population of 250,000.
 - City B is not eligible to receive a payment because its population is less than 200,000.
- County C has a total population of 400,000, comprised of 300,000 in City D (the incorporated part of the county) and 100,000 in the unincorporated part of the county.
 - Both County C and City D are eligible to provide a certification, because their total respective populations exceed 200,000.
 - If County C provides a certification but City D does not, County C's payment amount will be based on a population of 400,000.
 - If both County C and City D provide certifications, County C's payment amount will be calculated based on a population of 100,000 (total population less the population of City D). City D's payment amount will be calculated based on its population of 300,000.

Census Data

The Consolidated Appropriation Act, 2021 (the “Act”) directs Treasury to use U.S. Census Bureau data for the most recent year for which data are available for population calculations for the Emergency Rental Assistance program.

States and Local Governments

Treasury will use data from the U.S. Census Bureau’s Population Estimates Program for determining the populations of States and local governments:

- Treasury will use 2020 data from the 2020 Vintage for States and the District of Columbia. The 2020 Vintage for States is the most recently available estimates of state population, and is available at <https://www.census.gov/programs-surveys/popest/technical-documentation/research/evaluation-estimates.html>.
- Treasury will use 2019 data from the 2019 Vintage to determine the local governments’ relative population share of each state. The 2019 Vintage is the most recently available estimates of the relative population share of each local government’s population to the state population. The 2019 Vintage data for States, Counties, and units of local government below the county level are available at <https://www.census.gov/programs-surveys/popest/data/tables.2019.html>.

The table below includes the population for each State and the District of Columbia, the State’s share of the total population of the 50 states and the District of Columbia, and the State’s allocation (which takes into account the statutory requirement that no State receive less than \$200,000,000).

State	State Population, 2020	State Share of Total Population	Maximum State Allocation
Alabama	4,921,532	0.0149	\$326,358,801.20
Alaska	731,158	0.0022	\$200,000,000.00
Arizona	7,421,401	0.0225	\$492,131,217.20
Arkansas	3,030,522	0.0092	\$200,961,311.80
California	39,368,078	0.1195	\$2,610,593,356.20
Colorado	5,807,719	0.0176	\$385,124,024.50
Connecticut	3,557,006	0.0108	\$235,873,751.10
Delaware	986,809	0.0030	\$200,000,000.00
District of Columbia	712,816	0.0022	\$200,000,000.00
Florida	21,733,312	0.0660	\$1,441,188,973.40
Georgia	10,710,017	0.0325	\$710,207,372.20
Hawaii	1,407,006	0.0043	\$200,000,000.00
Idaho	1,826,913	0.0055	\$200,000,000.00
Illinois	12,587,530	0.0382	\$834,709,842.60
Indiana	6,754,953	0.0205	\$447,937,423.40
Iowa	3,163,561	0.0096	\$209,783,452.70
Kansas	2,913,805	0.0088	\$200,000,000.00
Kentucky	4,477,251	0.0136	\$296,897,443.50
Louisiana	4,645,318	0.0141	\$308,042,376.60
Maine	1,350,141	0.0041	\$200,000,000.00
Maryland	6,055,802	0.0184	\$401,575,013.80

State	State Population, 2020	State Share of Total Population	Maximum State Allocation
Massachusetts	6,893,574	0.0209	\$457,129,720.30
Michigan	9,966,555	0.0302	\$660,906,592.10
Minnesota	5,657,342	0.0172	\$375,152,158.50
Mississippi	2,966,786	0.0090	\$200,000,000.00
Missouri	6,151,548	0.0187	\$407,924,164.80
Montana	1,080,577	0.0033	\$200,000,000.00
Nebraska	1,937,552	0.0059	\$200,000,000.00
Nevada	3,138,259	0.0095	\$208,105,615.30
New Hampshire	1,366,275	0.0041	\$200,000,000.00
New Jersey	8,882,371	0.0270	\$589,011,704.40
New Mexico	2,106,319	0.0064	\$200,000,000.00
New York	19,336,776	0.0587	\$1,282,268,820.90
North Carolina	10,600,823	0.0322	\$702,966,451.50
North Dakota	765,309	0.0023	\$200,000,000.00
Ohio	11,693,217	0.0355	\$775,405,764.40
Oklahoma	3,980,783	0.0121	\$263,975,438.50
Oregon	4,241,507	0.0129	\$281,264,683.40
Pennsylvania	12,783,254	0.0388	\$847,688,778.80
Rhode Island	1,057,125	0.0032	\$200,000,000.00
South Carolina	5,218,040	0.0158	\$346,020,970.50
South Dakota	892,717	0.0027	\$200,000,000.00
Tennessee	6,886,834	0.0209	\$456,682,774.50
Texas	29,360,759	0.0891	\$1,946,983,603.80
Utah	3,249,879	0.0099	\$215,507,410.00
Vermont	623,347	0.0019	\$200,000,000.00
Virginia	8,590,563	0.0261	\$569,661,203.50
Washington	7,693,612	0.0234	\$510,182,193.10
West Virginia	1,784,787	0.0054	\$200,000,000.00
Wisconsin	5,832,655	0.0177	\$386,777,591.50
Wyoming	582,328	0.0018	\$200,000,000.00
Total	329,484,123	1.0000	\$23,785,000,000.00

U.S. Territories

Section 501(b)(3)(A)(ii) of Division N of the Act provides discretion to the Secretary to determine each Territory's share of the total population of all Territories.

Treasury will use 2019 data from the 2019 Vintage from the U.S. Census Bureau's Population Estimates Program for determining the population of Puerto Rico. The 2019 Vintage data are available at <https://www.census.gov/programs-surveys/popest/data/tables.2019.html>.

Treasury will use data from the U.S. Census Bureau's International Programs' International Data Base for determining the populations of USVI, Guam, CNMI, and American Samoa. International Programs

updated its population estimates and future population projections for the U.S. Territories in December 2020. The December 2020 update caused the population estimates for 2019 to be revised from previous releases. Treasury will use the 2019 population projections from International Programs' December 2020 population estimates and projections for USVI, Guam, CNMI, and American Samoa. These data are available at <https://www.census.gov/data-tools/demo/idb/#/table>.

These Census data provide the most accurate estimate available of the current population of each of the Territories. In addition, this approach is consistent with the approach taken for the population data of States and local governments.

The table below includes the population of each Territory, the share of the Territories, and the allocation for each Territory (which takes into account the statutory requirement that the sum of the amounts allocated for payments to all the Territories other than Puerto Rico shall not be less than \$75,000,000).

	Population, 2019	Share of Total Population	Allocation
American Samoa	48,456	0.0136	\$9,682,885.60
Guam	168,149	0.0471	\$33,600,948.00
Northern Mariana Islands	52,048	0.0146	\$10,400,669.30
Puerto Rico	3,193,694	0.8948	\$325,000,000.00
Virgin Islands	106,669	0.0299	\$21,315,497.10
Total	3,569,016	1.0000	\$400,000,000.00