CENSUS DATA RELEASE

Today, August 12, 2021, the U.S. Census Bureau released the legacy format P.L. 94-171 redistricting data to all states, including Iowa. The Legislative Services Agency intends to utilize this data for purposes of Congressional and Legislative redistricting. The U.S. Census Bureau has made this redistricting data available to the public at the following Internet site: P.L. 94-171 Redistricting Data.

PLAN 1 RELEASE TIMETABLE

Today’s release of the legacy format P.L. 94-171 redistricting data to Iowa triggers Iowa’s statutory timetable for the completion of Congressional and Legislative redistricting under Iowa Code chapter 42. Based upon this release, the Legislative Services Agency will submit the first proposed Congressional and Legislative redistricting plan to the General Assembly by Thursday, September 16, 2021.

IDEAL POPULATION SIZE FOR CONGRESSIONAL AND LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS IN IOWA

The U.S. Census Bureau has determined that the total resident population of Iowa as of April 1, 2020, is 3,190,369 persons. Based on this total population figure, the ideal population for each of Iowa’s four congressional districts is 797,592 persons. For each of Iowa’s 50 state Senate districts, the ideal population size is 63,807 persons, and for each of Iowa’s 100 state Representative districts, the ideal population size is 31,904 persons.