

## Safety tips for Census

On Monday, 10 October 2011, 140 000 Census workers will start counting every single person in South Africa. They will gather information about every person living at each address, including name, age, gender, race and other relevant data. Con artists will also be using this time as an opportunity to 'steal' identities and information for fraud purposes.

### Important things to remember during Census 2011

- A Census worker will have a badge, a handheld device, a Census Bureau canvas bag and a confidentiality notice.
- Always ask to see their identification and badge before answering any questions.
- You do not need to invite the Census worker into your home and currently they are only knocking on doors to verify address information.
- Do not give your identity number, credit card, banking or financial situation information to anyone even if they claim to need it for the Census.
- Census workers will not be asking for donations.
- The company Acorn is not working with the Census Bureau and you should not share any information with anyone from Acorn.
- Census workers may contact you by telephone, post or in person at home. ***They will not contact you by email – do not click on links or attachments supposedly from the Census Bureau.***

The only information that you are obliged to disclose is the number of people who live at your address.