

A quick guide for Tower Captains and tower contacts

Census week: 16–22 November
Survey opens: 23 November - 6 December

Every ringer and every tower counts.
Whatever your age or experience, wherever you ring, please take part.
Find out more: **cccbr.org.uk/census**

Your help can make it easier for every ringer in your band to hear about the Census and take part.

Before Census Week

- **Tell your band about the Census.** Share the dates, **16–22 November 2026**, and the link to the CCCBR Census page.
- **Encourage every ringer to take part**, whatever their age, and whether they ring regularly or occasionally.
- **Make the information easy to find.** Share it by email or your usual messaging group, and display the overview in the tower.
- **Check who will be the tower contact** for any Census correspondence, and make sure their contact details are up to date.

During Census Week

- Remind ringers to complete the online questionnaire about their ringing activity during the census week, once the survey is open.
- Encourage everyone to respond individually, even if they have already heard about the Census from their Association, Guild or another tower.

After Census Week

- If your tower is contacted by an Enumerator, please respond to their message and complete the Tower Headcount Survey.
- If you are unsure what to provide or need help, ask the Enumerator for support.



- If your tower cannot provide a return, let the Enumerator know. Recording this helps the Census team understand the status of towers in the target sample.
- The Individual and Tower Census questionnaires will be open from 23 November to 6 December, so you can report on what happened during Census Week.

You do not need to complete the Census during Census Week itself. The links to complete the Individual and Tower Censuses will be made available towards the end of Census Week and will remain available into the following week, so that you can report accurately on what happened between 16 and 22 November.

Enumerators will be assigned a group of towers from the Census target sample and will carry out most of their follow-up after Census Week. This sample is part of the Census method; **it does not limit which ringers can complete the individual questionnaire**.
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