

## **La Plata County Census Participation Rates**

In May the La Plata County Complete Count Committee received thanks for their help and some preliminary participation rates by county or town. These results capture the number of forms that were returned to the Census Bureau prior to follow-up by census workers. Final rates will be announced in the fall.

National 72%	Montezuma County 62%
Colorado 70%	Silverton 40%
La Plata County 57%	Dolores 50%
Durango 63%	Mancos 62%
Bayfield 66%	Cortez 68%
Archuleta County 43%	

[The S. Ute Tribe handled their own enumeration.]

Some ideas from committee members as to why La Plata County was lower than CO as a whole: proportion of second home owners, horrific snow conditions which hampered delivery of forms, the rural geography of our county and the fact that forms were delivered as opposed to mailed.

Key Census dates:

Summer - Fall 2010 Quality Control Operations take place.

December 31, 2010 Delivery of population counts to the President for reapportionment.

April 1, 2011 Delivery of population counts to the state for redistricting.

*-Marilyn Brown*