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Complete details on data sources available on-line at www.chicagometropolis2020.org

About the Region

Map of Region

University of Illinois at Chicago, Center for Urban Economic Development, 2000.

Total Population

Crain's Chicago Business, Metro Chicago Market Facts 2000, "Population By Age," Supplement from July 3, 2000.

Number of Jobs

Northeastern Illinois Planning Commission, www.nipc.cog.il.us/aboutreg.htm

Unemployment Rate

Illinois Department of Employment Security (1999).

Age Distribution

U.S. Census Bureau, 1999 Census Estimates.

Total Area

Northeastern Illinois Planning Commission, www.nipc.cog.il.us/aboutreg.htm

Ethnic Distribution

U.S. Census Bureau, State and County QuickFacts, www.census.gov/cgi-bin/qfd.html

Gross Regional Product

Estimate prepared by the Regional Economics Applications Laboratory (REAL), a cooperative venture between the University of Illinois and the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago. Estimate derived from REAL's Chicago REIM, Regional Econometric Input/Output Model, and reported in Year 2000 dollars using DRI's national projection data for the consumer price index.

Educational Attainment

Metro Chicago Information Center, *1999 Metro Survey*, "Demographics, Religion, Nationality, Immigration," Table 24, p.148, June 4, 1999.

Median Household Income

Calculated from Claritas data, 1999.

Regional Economy

Corporate Headquarters

Data obtained from Standard and Poor's Compustat. Headquarters are those companies that file a 10K report from the Chicago region. Only public companies with more than 500 employees worldwide are included in the data set.

Industry Diversity

Indicator developed from Regional Financial Associates' state-level data of unemployment insurance filings. Employment concentration is measured as the relative amount of employment in a cluster as a portion of total regional employment compared with the same cluster's employment nationally as a portion of total U.S. employment.

Value-Added by Industry/Per Capita

Data obtained from Regional Financial Associates. Value-added is derived by subtracting the total cost of inputs, other than direct labor costs, from the stated value of the final goods produced. Value-added by industry is an index comparing the value-added in the Chicago region to the value-added nationally in the same industry cluster. For example, value-added in the business services cluster is approximately 41% greater in the Chicago region than it is nationally.

Housing

Housing Affordability

Housing affordability data are from the National Association of Homebuilders' *Housing Opportunity Index*. The index is based on the region's median home price, median family income and interest rates. The median family income figures for households with two or more related individuals covers the nine-county PMSA for the Chicago region. The 1999 MFI figure is \$63,800. The index calculates the percentage of homes that are affordable to those earning the regional median income.

Six-County Affordability Index

The affordability index measures whether or not a homebuyer could qualify for a mortgage loan on a typical home. For example, a homebuyer who earned the regional median income had 144% of the income needed to buy a home at the median price level for the Chicago subregion in 1999. Regional median income is calculated by a county population-weighted average of the six-county median household income. Data for population and median household income by county are provided by Regional Financial Associates. Data on median housing price and geographic boundaries for each subregional realty board jurisdiction provided by the Illinois Association of Realtors.

Rent Burden

Source is the *American Housing Survey*, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. Rent burdened households are rental households that pay more than 30 percent of their income for rent and utilities. Region reported is for eight counties (Cook, DuPage, Grundy, Kane, Kendall, Lake, McHenry and Will).

Job-Rental Units Supply Ratio

Data are from the Metropolitan Planning Council's (MPC) November 1999 study, *For Rent: Housing Options in the Chicago region*, prepared by the University of Illinois at Chicago, the Urban Institute, and Applied Real Estate Analysis, Inc. Data are for the six-county metropolitan region.

Community Life

Per Capita Income

Data provided by Regional Financial Associates and the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics. All figures are inflation adjusted to 1999 dollars. The indicator is total personal income from all sources (e.g. wages, investment earnings, self-employment) divided by the total population in the region.

Household Income Distribution

Data are from the annual March Supplement of the U.S. Census Bureau's *Current Population Survey* (CPS). The CPS sample was determined representative of the nine-county Chicago PMSA by comparing variables of income, age, gender and race/ethnicity to data reported in the 1990 Census.

Poverty

Poverty estimates prepared by the U.S. Census Bureau's Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates (SAIPE) branch. The poverty thresholds do not vary geographically, but they are updated annually for inflation using the Consumer Price Index (CPI-U). The official poverty definition counts money income before taxes and does not include capital gains and non-cash benefits (such as public housing, Medicaid and food stamps). For more information: www.census.gov/hhes/poverty/povdef.html

Concentration of Income

Data for maps are from the 1980 Census, 1990 Census, and 1999 Claritas. Income reported by the 1980 and 1990 Census is based on incomes for 1979 and 1989, respectively. Likewise, the 1999 income figure is based on 1998 income. The regional median household income for the six-county region was based on income distributions estimated by the Center for Urban Economic Development (UICUED). The median household income for each census tract was compared to the region's median household income.

The maps for this indicator use current dollar income data, and therefore are an accurate representation of geographic income segregation (both low- and high-income segregation). The maps should not be used to interpret the concentration of poverty-level population because, as discussed, that is measured more accurately using a standard income level and controlling for inflation.

Violent Crime

Source is the State of Illinois' Criminal Justice Information Authority. This measure uses the six-county region. Violent crime rates for Illinois (including the Chicago region) are not completely comparable to national violent crime rates due to a difference in the definition of sexual assault. The violent crime rate reported by Illinois is slightly higher than an equivalent national violent crime rate because of a broader definition used by the State.

Average Wage

Data derived from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, *Average Annual Pay Levels in Metropolitan Areas*, and Regional Financial Associates that collects information from individual firms reporting payroll amounts in compliance with unemployment insurance regulations. All wages have been adjusted into 1999 dollars using the *All Urban Consumers CPI*, published by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. Wages are averaged across industry clusters defined for the Chicago region.

Domestic and Foreign Migration

Data on foreign and domestic migration provided by Regional Financial Associates. The geographic definition used for this indicator is the 13-County Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area (PMSA). Data on the educational attainment of recent foreign immigrants to the region available from the U.S. Census Bureau.

Venture Capital

Data on regional venture capital investment provided by Venture Economics, which calculates total private equity investment dollars invested in the Chicago region and the United States on an annual basis. All figures are reported in millions of dollars and adjusted for inflation (1999 dollars).

Gazelles

Gazelles are publicly traded companies whose annual revenues have grown at least 20% over the past four years, starting with at least \$1 million in sales. Standard and Poor's Compustat provided all data for the six-county region.

Transportation and Land Use

Density per Acre/Per Capita Density

Data prepared for Chicago Wilderness by the University of Illinois at Chicago, The Field Museum, and the Chicago Wilderness Science and Land Management Teams; supported by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (grant GP37J). Density per acre compares percentage change over time in population to urbanized area. Urbanized area is identified by satellite imagery as any built-up land cover, with a spatial resolution of 28.5 meters. Land cover maps were created based on Landsat™ images for 1972, 1985 and 1997. Source for population is U.S. Bureau of the Census population estimates.

Urban Build-Up

Maps were prepared for Chicago Wilderness by the University of Illinois at Chicago, The Field Museum, and the Chicago Wilderness Science and Land Management Teams; supported by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (grant GP37J). Urban build-up is identified by satellite imagery as any built-up land cover, such as buildings or pavement, with a spatial resolution of 28.5 meters. Any square area of 28.5 meters (93.5 feet by 93.5 feet) that was recognized primarily as built-up is considered, in its entirety, to be urban build-up. Land cover maps, including urban build-up areas, were created based on Landsat™ images for 1972, 1985 and 1997.

Rail-Housing Development

Data are from the Northeastern Illinois Planning Commission (NIPC) new development database. NIPC used residential utility meters to determine the location of new housing units between 1990 and 1995.

Transit-Jobs

Source is the Northeastern Illinois Planning Commission (NIPC). NIPC geo-coded the Illinois Department of Employment Security (IDES) 1990 and 1995 jobs data file, ES202 Tape "Covered Employment," which consists of nearly all jobs other than public sector. NIPC used its own database of government offices for public sector jobs.

Congestion

Data are from the Texas Transportation Institute's 1999 Urban Mobility Study, Texas A&M University. The average vehicle hours of delay includes all drivers within the region, whether or not the driver regularly commutes by vehicle or drives as part of their job. Delays on interstate expressways and primary arterial highways are included. Region used for this estimate refers to the urbanized portions of the 13-county CMSA. Incorporated portions of counties and small towns with a population of less than 2,500 persons were not included in the study.

Transit Ridership

Data are from the Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) and consist of the number of rides on Chicago Transit Authority (CTA), Metra, and Pace transit systems. Transit routes are in Cook, DuPage, Kane, Lake, McHenry, Will and Kenosha, (WI) Counties. Metra ridership totals are from the Regional Transit Authority (RTA).

Air Travel

Data are provided by BACK Information Services, Newport Beach, CA. Data are for all international flights departing from Chicago O'Hare and Midway Airports, including to Canada and Mexico.

Property Crime

Data for the six-county region provided by the State of Illinois' Criminal Justice Information Authority.

Perception of Crime

Data collected from the *Quality of Life* regional survey conducted during July 2000 by the Metro Chicago Information Center.

Uninsured Residents

Data are Employee Benefit Research Institute estimates, based on the March 1996, March 1997, March 1998, and March 1999 Current Population Surveys, U.S. Bureau of the Census. Region used for this estimate is the 13-county Chicago CMSA.

KidCare

Enrollment data are from the Illinois Department of Public Aid (IDPA). KidCare eligibility estimates are from a 1999 study by the Health Policy Center, University of Illinois at Chicago, for IDPA. The eligibility estimate for the number of families in suburban counties with an income of 133% to 185% of the poverty level was made by the Center for Urban Economic Development, University of Illinois at Chicago, based on the statewide and Cook County estimates in the aforementioned study.

Infant Mortality Rates

Data provided by the Illinois Department of Health for all six counties and by ethnicity. Infant mortality is calculated as the annual number of infant deaths in the first year of life, per 1,000 live births.

Child Immunization

Data source is the Division of Research, Illinois State Board of Education. Number of students does not include those who are unprotected for religious or medical reasons. The immunization rate for Haemophilus influenza type B (Hib) consists solely of applicants for enrollment in the public At-Risk Pre-Kindergarten Program. Immunization for Hib is required only for pre-kindergarten students in Illinois, making it a good indicator of school readiness.

Heart Disease

Data provided by the Illinois Department of Public Health by ethnicity. Population estimates obtained from the U.S. Census Bureau for 1990 through 1998. Deaths due to coronary heart disease are age adjusted using 1940 standard population weights.

Education

At-Risk Families

Data collected from the Illinois Department of Public Health for 1992 through 1997. "At-risk" families are defined as first births to females under the age of 20 who have not graduated from high school and who were unmarried at the time of the birth of the child. For more information: www.voices4kids.org/ike9900sum.html

Parental Reading

Data collected from the *Quality of Life* regional survey conducted during July 2000 by the Metro Chicago Information Center.

Third-Grade Reading/ Eighth-Grade Math Scores

Performance results for 1999 provided by the Illinois State Board of Education for all third grade students tested in the six-county region. For more information: Specific results for individual school districts are available at www.isbe.state.il.us/.

Dropout Rates

Data on dropouts were obtained from the Illinois State Board of Education. Data on Chicago public schools were from the University of Chicago's Consortium for School Research. The data included students in grades 9 through 12 whose names have been removed from the district roster for any reason other than death, extended illness, graduation/ completion of a program of studies, transfer to another school or expulsion.

Educational Attainment

Data are provided by the U.S. Census Bureau and extracted from its annual March Supplement survey. Data are for regional residents who have earned a post-secondary degree. Limitations of the data include small sample sizes for ethnic categories, which may contribute to yearly fluctuations in the share of those attaining post-secondary degrees. As a result, the data is averaged over a two-year period, for example, 1998 data is the average of 1997 and 1998 figures.

Natural Environment

Regional Land Cover

Maps were prepared for Chicago Wilderness by the University of Illinois at Chicago, The Field Museum and the Chicago Wilderness Science and Land Management Teams; supported by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (grant GP37J). There are 11 land cover categories: (1) water, (2) urban land, (3) urban grass, (4) agriculture, (5) forest/woodland, (6) floodplain forest, (7) savanna, (8) prairie, (9) wetland, (10) unassociated woody growth and (11) unassociated grassy growth. For the maps, "urban" land cover includes urban land and urban grass; "natural" land cover includes forest/woodland, floodplain forest, savanna, prairie and wetland; and "unassociated growth" land cover includes unassociated woody growth and unassociated grassy growth. Original graphs of regional land cover prepared from the same data.

Protected Open Space

Figures for 1999 are from Chicago Wilderness, "Protected Open Space" map, based on satellite imagery and verification by county forest preserves, conservation districts and the Illinois Department of Natural Resources. Totals for other years were determined based on amount of land acquired by each county's forest preserve or conservation district, the state park system, and the U.S. Forest Service. This measure includes undeveloped areas that are permanently protected through conservation easements or public ownership, such as county forest preserves, conservation districts, state parks and national forest land. Due to lack of information on the acquisition date of a 10-acre Lake County conservation easement, it was equally distributed for each of the 10 years from 1990 to 1999.

Protected Open Space

Map prepared for Chicago Wilderness by The Field Museum and Futurity, Inc.; supported by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (agreement 30181-9-G056) and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (grant GP37J). The Chicago Region Land Cover/Land Use Project is based on the following source data: (1) Land cover maps created for the Chicago Wilderness/NASA project, *Tracking Natural Community Fragmentation and Changes in Land Use and Land Cover: A Case Study in Chicago Wilderness*; and (2) The Northeastern Illinois Planning Commission's "1995 Land Use Inventory" (1:24,000 scale).

Air Quality

Data source for ground-level ozone is the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency. Annual readings measured against the current federal standard for ozone (.085 parts per million for the daily high eight-hour average), although the Chicago region retains a non-attainment area exemption from compliance. Small changes in ground level ozone from one year to the next may be due to changes in weather patterns. It is better to consider the trend over several years when examining air quality with the ozone measure.

Stream Quality

Data source is the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency. Calculations are by the Center for Urban Economic Development, University of Illinois at Chicago. Only stream segments that were monitored in the 1980s and between 1993 and 1997 are included. Monitored watersheds are those for which the assessment is based on current site-specific ambient data, intensive data, or both. The overall use rating was used, which primarily takes into account aquatic life use and secondarily, fishing, swimming, and/or public water source uses.

A consortium of the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, Illinois Department of Natural Resources, and the Illinois Natural History Survey prepared the *Biological Stream Characterization* index criteria referenced in the report's text.

Quality-of-Life Survey

Cited results in the report from Chicago Metropolis 2020's *Quality Of Life* regional survey, conducted by the Metro Chicago Information Center (MCIC). MCIC completed telephone interviews with 1,451 adult residents of the six-county region between June 10 and July 5, 2000. MCIC re-interviewed respondents to MCIC's annual Metro Survey and added new randomly selected interviews to ensure that the survey sampling included at least 200 residents of each county. The survey data is statistically significant and weighted for regional- and county-specific analysis. The maximum error attributable to sampling and other random effects is plus or minus 3 percentage points. Interviews were conducted in both English and Spanish.

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