

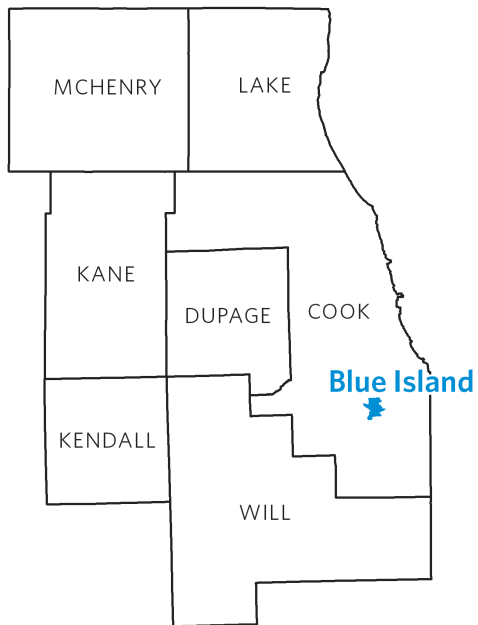


Blue Island

Community Data Snapshot

Municipality Series

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About the Community Data Snapshots

The Community Data Snapshots is a series of data profiles for every county, municipality, and Chicago Community Area (CCA) within the [Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning \(CMAP\)](#) seven-county northeastern Illinois region. The snapshots primarily feature data from the [American Community Survey \(ACS\) five-year estimates](#). All data sources are noted beneath each table.

CMAP publishes updated Community Data Snapshots annually, usually in July. The latest version can always be found on the CMAP website at cmap.illinois.gov/data/community-snapshots. Current and historical snapshot data is available in table format at the [CMAP Data Hub](#). Please direct any questions to info@cmap.illinois.gov.

To improve the Community Data Snapshots in the future, CMAP wants to hear from you! **Please take a quick survey** to describe how you use this data and what you would like to see in next year's snapshots.

User Notes

Definitions

For data derived from the ACS, the Community Data Snapshots uses terminology based on the [ACS subject definitions](#).

Margins of Error

The ACS is a sample-based data product. Exercise caution when using data from low-population communities, as the margins of error are often large compared to the estimates. For more details, please refer to the [ACS sample size and data quality methodology](#).

Regional Values

Regional values are estimated by aggregating ACS data for the seven counties that compose the CMAP region. These counties are Cook, DuPage, Kane, Kendall, Lake, McHenry, and Will.

Median Values

The Census Bureau encourages users to aggregate small levels of geographies into larger areas to estimate median values for those areas. Median values for the aggregated geographies (CCAs and the CMAP region) are estimated from the [grouped frequency distributions](#) reported in the ACS.

Municipalities Located in Multiple Counties

County data is presented for the CMAP county containing the largest portion of the municipality's population, as of the 2020 decennial census.

Municipalities That Extend Beyond the CMAP Region

Values derived from CMAP analyses are generally restricted to geographies that fall within the CMAP regional boundaries. Specifically, values in the General Land Use, Equalized Assessed Value, and Water Supply tables only represent the portion of each municipality that falls within the seven-county CMAP region. This snapshot is for Blue Island, which does *not* extend beyond the CMAP region.

Comparing ACS Data Across Past Community Data Snapshots

When using multiple releases of the CDS, please take care not to compare overlapping ACS 5-year estimates. The Census Bureau provides [specific guidance](#) for when it is appropriate to compare ACS data across time. Please contact CMAP staff at info@cmap.illinois.gov if you have additional questions.

Population and Households

The population and household tables include general demographic, social, and economic characteristics summarized for Blue Island.

General Population Characteristics, 2023

	Blue Island	Cook County	CMAP Region
Total Population	23,416	5,185,812	8,485,926
Total Households	8,662	2,084,578	3,276,096
Average Household Size	2.7	2.4	2.5
Percent Population Change, 2000-10	1.0	-3.4	3.5
Percent Population Change, 2010-23	-1.2	-0.2	0.6
Percent Population Change, 2000-23	-0.2	-3.6	4.2

Source: 2000 and 2010 Census, 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Race and Ethnicity, 2019-2023

	Blue Island		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
White (Non-Hispanic)	4,500	19.2	2,102,352	40.5	4,119,620	48.5
Hispanic or Latino (of Any Race)	10,082	43.1	1,374,034	26.5	2,077,117	24.5
Black (Non-Hispanic)	8,235	35.2	1,148,288	22.1	1,359,554	16.0
Asian (Non-Hispanic)	117	0.5	397,936	7.7	649,017	7.6
Other/Multiple Races (Non-Hispanic)	482	2.1	163,202	3.1	280,618	3.3

Source: 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Total population

Age Cohorts, 2019-2023

	Blue Island		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Under 5	1,356	5.8	290,804	5.6	475,109	5.6
5 to 19	4,734	20.2	942,302	18.2	1,624,391	19.1
20 to 34	5,063	21.6	1,143,289	22.0	1,742,314	20.5
35 to 49	4,829	20.6	1,043,420	20.1	1,704,607	20.1
50 to 64	4,503	19.2	959,690	18.5	1,627,982	19.2
65 to 74	1,946	8.3	477,139	9.2	784,080	9.2
75 to 84	641	2.7	227,541	4.4	371,447	4.4
85 and Over	344	1.5	101,627	2.0	155,996	1.8
Median Age	36.7		37.8		38.4	

Source: 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Total population

Educational Attainment*, 2019-2023

	Blue Island		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Less than High School Diploma	2,822	18.2	423,440	11.7	615,007	10.5
High School Diploma or Equivalent	4,730	30.6	805,456	22.2	1,290,688	22.0
Some College, No Degree	4,072	26.3	635,142	17.5	1,055,421	18.0
Associate's Degree	863	5.6	243,855	6.7	415,097	7.1
Bachelor's Degree	1,814	11.7	884,983	24.4	1,469,731	25.1
Graduate or Professional Degree	1,173	7.6	638,210	17.6	1,011,913	17.3

Source: 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Population 25 years and older

*Highest degree or level of school completed by an individual.

Nativity, 2019-2023

	Blue Island		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Native	18,868	80.6	4,076,064	78.6	6,827,326	80.5
Foreign Born	4,548	19.4	1,109,748	21.4	1,658,600	19.5

Source: 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Total population

Language Spoken at Home and Ability to Speak English, 2019-2023

	Blue Island		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
English Only	14,326	64.9	3,156,280	64.5	5,434,701	67.8
Spanish	7,261	32.9	1,028,255	21.0	1,517,770	18.9
Slavic Languages	59	0.3	204,908	4.2	284,004	3.5
Chinese	24	0.1	67,828	1.4	92,694	1.2
Tagalog	0	0.0	48,429	1.0	75,308	0.9
Arabic	0	0.0	48,573	1.0	63,580	0.8
Korean	0	0.0	25,306	0.5	35,008	0.4
Other Asian Languages	0	0.0	67,207	1.4	116,634	1.5
Other Indo-European Languages	363	1.6	200,215	4.1	330,350	4.1
Other/Unspecified Languages	27	0.1	48,007	1.0	60,768	0.8
TOTAL NON-ENGLISH	7,734	35.1	1,738,728	35.5	2,576,116	32.2
Speak English Less than "Very Well"*	3,150	14.3	678,937	13.9	965,360	12.1

Source: 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Population 5 years and older

*For people who speak a language other than English at home, the ACS asks whether they speak English "very well," "well," "not well," or "not at all."

Population with a Disability, 2019-2023

	Blue Island		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Number of People with a Disability	2,825	12.1	575,412	11.1	878,107	10.3
One Type of Disability Only	1,252	5.3	301,884	5.8	470,370	5.5
Two or More Types of Disability	1,573	6.7	273,528	5.3	407,737	4.8

Source: 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Total population

Disability by Type, 2019-2023

	Blue Island		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Hearing Difficulty	551	2.4	127,647	2.5	209,497	2.5
Vision Difficulty	688	2.9	115,252	2.2	166,646	2.0
Cognitive Difficulty	1,026	4.4	212,434	4.1	321,997	3.8
Ambulatory Difficulty	1,420	6.1	296,562	5.7	435,950	5.1
Self-Care Difficulty	484	2.1	114,826	2.2	170,525	2.0
Independent Living Difficulty^{†*}	1,437	8.0	222,523	5.5	329,972	5.1

Source: 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Total population

[Click here](#) to learn more about how disability is defined for this dataset.

*Universe: Total population over 18

[†]Does not include residents of nursing homes or skilled nursing facilities that provide long-term, nonacute care.

Disability by Age Cohorts, 2019-2023

	Blue Island		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
0-17 with a Disability	94	0.4	39,631	0.8	65,487	0.8
18-64 with a Disability	1,752	7.5	284,613	5.5	428,242	5.0
65-74 with a Disability	602	2.6	106,388	2.1	161,968	1.9
75 and Over with a Disability	377	1.6	144,780	2.8	222,410	2.6

Source: 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Total population

Health Insurance Coverage, 2019-2023

	Blue Island		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Uninsured	2,991	12.8	460,523	8.9	654,731	7.7
Uninsured and disabled	225	1.0	31,253	0.6	43,267	0.5

Source: 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Total population

Household Size, 2019-2023

	Blue Island		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
1-Person Household	3,136	36.2	714,789	34.3	985,617	30.1
2-Person Household	2,327	26.9	622,884	29.9	1,008,017	30.8
3-Person Household	985	11.4	301,503	14.5	504,018	15.4
4-or-More-Person Household	2,214	25.6	445,402	21.4	778,444	23.8

Source: 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Occupied housing units

Household Type, 2019-2023

	Blue Island		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Family	5,172	59.7	1,211,099	58.1	2,070,874	63.2
Single Parent with Child	1,176	13.6	171,216	8.2	257,654	7.9
Non-Family	3,490	40.3	873,479	41.9	1,205,222	36.8

Source: 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Occupied housing units

Household Income, 2019-2023

	Blue Island		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Less than \$25,000	1,789	20.7	335,740	16.1	439,439	13.4
\$25,000 to \$49,999	1,850	21.4	335,309	16.1	476,017	14.5
\$50,000 to \$74,999	1,532	17.7	297,564	14.3	458,143	14.0
\$75,000 to \$99,999	1,191	13.7	256,665	12.3	407,824	12.4
\$100,000 to \$149,999	1,565	18.1	356,146	17.1	601,803	18.4
\$150,000 and Over	735	8.5	503,154	24.1	892,870	27.3
Median Income	\$60,965		\$81,797		\$91,211	
Per Capita Income*	\$28,361		\$47,801		\$49,183	

Source: 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Occupied housing units

*Universe: Total population

Household Computer and Internet Access, 2019-2023

	Blue Island		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
One or More Computing Devices	7,899	91.2	1,968,569	94.4	3,123,104	95.3
Smartphone(s) Only	1,264	14.6	193,343	9.3	260,365	7.9
No Computing Devices	763	8.8	116,009	5.6	152,992	4.7
Internet Access	7,686	88.7	1,924,069	92.3	3,062,137	93.5
Broadband Subscription	7,382	85.2	1,859,300	89.2	2,976,465	90.9
No Internet Access	976	11.3	160,509	7.7	213,959	6.5

Source: 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Occupied housing units

Housing Occupancy and Tenure, 2019-2023

	Blue Island		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Occupied Housing Units	8,662	92.7	2,084,578	91.8	3,276,096	93.2
Owner-Occupied*	4,250	49.1	1,198,834	57.5	2,116,804	64.6
Renter-Occupied*	4,412	50.9	885,744	42.5	1,159,292	35.4
Vacant Housing Units	678	7.3	185,771	8.2	239,417	6.8

Source: 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Housing units
*Universe: Occupied housing units

Housing Costs as a Percentage of Household Income*, 2019-2023

	Blue Island		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Less than \$20,000	1,107	13.3	218,263	10.8	282,533	8.9
Less than 20 Percent	28	0.3	4,250	0.2	5,512	0.2
20 to 29 Percent	142	1.7	14,382	0.7	17,248	0.5
30 Percent or More	937	11.2	199,631	9.9	259,773	8.1
\$20,000 to \$49,999	2,224	26.6	398,059	19.7	562,059	17.6
Less than 20 Percent	321	3.8	37,868	1.9	53,141	1.7
20 to 29 Percent	419	5.0	65,658	3.3	92,118	2.9
30 Percent or More	1,484	17.8	294,533	14.6	416,800	13.1
\$50,000 to \$74,999	1,532	18.3	293,131	14.5	452,299	14.2
Less than 20 Percent	572	6.8	73,044	3.6	110,823	3.5
20 to 29 Percent	648	7.8	100,276	5.0	150,697	4.7
30 Percent or More	312	3.7	119,811	5.9	190,779	6.0
\$75,000 or More	3,491	41.8	1,109,052	54.9	1,891,958	59.3
Less than 20 Percent	2,553	30.6	721,788	35.8	1,236,129	38.8
20 to 29 Percent	857	10.3	274,744	13.6	470,193	14.7
30 Percent or More	81	1.0	112,520	5.6	185,636	5.8

Source: 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Occupied housing units

*Excludes households with zero/negative income, and renting households paying no cash rent.

Housing & Transportation (H+T) Costs as a Percentage of Household Income*, 2018-2022

	Median-Income Family**	Moderate-Income Family***
Housing Costs	18	23
Transportation Costs	16	18
TOTAL H+T COSTS	34	41

Source: Center for Neighborhood Technology (CNT), [H+T Affordability Index](#) (2018-2022).

*The purpose of the H+T Index is to isolate the effect of location on housing and transportation costs, and is reported for different household typologies. The values above represent the percent of household income that an average household of each type spends on housing and transportation. The standard threshold of affordability is 30% for housing costs alone, and 45% for housing and transportation costs combined.

**"Median-income family" assumes a 4-person, 2-commuter household with income equal to the regional median.

***"Moderate-income family" assumes a 3-person, 1-commuter household with income equal to 80% of the regional median.

Housing Characteristics

The housing characteristics tables include housing unit estimates by housing type, size, and age summarized for Blue Island.

Housing Type, 2019-2023

	Blue Island		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Single Family, Detached	4,115	44.1	903,365	39.8	1,743,869	49.6
Single Family, Attached	357	3.8	123,778	5.5	267,616	7.6
2 Units	1,024	11.0	210,311	9.3	233,187	6.6
3 or 4 Units	652	7.0	237,405	10.5	276,611	7.9
5 to 9 Units	1,381	14.8	221,216	9.7	272,171	7.7
10 to 19 Units	889	9.5	110,247	4.9	158,373	4.5
20 or More Units	503	5.4	445,051	19.6	533,018	15.2
Mobile Home/Other*	419	4.5	18,976	0.8	30,668	0.9

Source: 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Housing units

*"Other" includes boats, recreational vehicles (RVs), vans, etc.

Housing Size, 2019-2023

	Blue Island		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
0 or 1 Bedroom	2,148	23.0	472,519	20.8	584,858	16.6
2 Bedrooms	2,891	31.0	694,164	30.6	974,700	27.7
3 Bedrooms	2,912	31.2	713,742	31.4	1,154,991	32.9
4 Bedrooms	926	9.9	288,265	12.7	616,835	17.5
5 or More Bedrooms	463	5.0	101,659	4.5	184,129	5.2
Median Number of Rooms*	5.1		5.1		6.0	

Source: 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Housing units

*Includes living rooms, dining rooms, kitchens, bedrooms, etc., that are separated by built-in, floor-to-ceiling walls.

Excludes bathrooms, porches, balconies, foyers, halls, and unfinished basements.

Housing Age, 2019-2023

	Blue Island		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Built 2010 or Later	325	3.5	100,411	4.4	172,688	4.9
Built 1990 to 2009	1,642	17.6	318,777	14.0	764,770	21.8
Built 1970 to 1989	1,786	19.1	448,333	19.7	813,872	23.2
Built 1940 to 1969	3,089	33.1	768,365	33.8	1,032,806	29.4
Built Before 1940	2,498	26.7	634,463	27.9	731,377	20.8
Median Year Built	1961		1961		1970	

Source: 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Housing units

Transportation

The transportation tables include vehicle availability by household, mode of travel to work, and annual vehicle miles traveled for Blue Island.

Vehicles Available per Household, 2019-2023

	Blue Island		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
No Vehicle Available	1,494	17.2	374,197	18.0	423,777	12.9
1 Vehicle Available	3,401	39.3	860,388	41.3	1,196,026	36.5
2 Vehicles Available	2,628	30.3	597,381	28.7	1,112,204	33.9
3 or More Vehicles Available	1,139	13.1	252,612	12.1	544,089	16.6

Source: 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Occupied housing units

Mode of Travel to Work, 2019-2023

	Blue Island		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Work at Home*	613	5.7	417,538	16.5	690,746	16.4
Drive Alone	7,429	69.4	1,426,145	56.2	2,616,122	62.0
Carpool	1,554	14.5	196,983	7.8	326,525	7.7
Transit	875	8.2	329,280	13.0	376,771	8.9
Walk or Bike	169	1.6	123,111	4.9	147,732	3.5
Other	65	0.6	42,804	1.7	64,598	1.5
TOTAL COMMUTERS	10,092	94.3	2,118,323	83.5	3,531,748	83.6
Mean Commute Time (Minutes)	27.7		31.9		30.9	

Source: 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Workers 16 years and older

*Not included in total commuters or mean commute time.

Annual Vehicle Miles Traveled per Household*, 2023

	Blue Island	Cook County	CMAP Region
Average Vehicle Miles Traveled per Year	13,354	11,618	13,828

Source: Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning analysis of 2023 Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, HERE Technologies, and Census Bureau data. In 2023, the methodology for an adjustment of VMT for new cars (<4 years old) was discontinued. Estimates are not fully comparable to previous years.

*Data not available for all communities in the CMAP region.

Employment

The employment tables include general workforce characteristics for Blue Island.

Employment Status, 2019-2023

	Blue Island		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
In Labor Force	12,468	66.4	2,783,460	66.2	4,590,752	67.2
Employed ^{†*}	11,011	88.3	2,590,618	93.1	4,298,652	93.6
Unemployed*	1,457	11.7	191,304	6.9	278,175	6.1
Not in Labor Force	6,308	33.6	1,421,130	33.8	2,235,861	32.8

Source: 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Population 16 years and older

[†]Does not include employed population in the Armed Forces.

*Universe: In labor force

Private Sector Employment*, 2024

	Blue Island		Cook County		6-County Region**	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Private Sector Employment	4,893	N/A	2,232,926	N/A	3,560,776	N/A
Job Change, 2014-24	-2,505	-33.9	101,069	4.7	179,601	5.3
Job Change, 2004-24	-4,077	-45.5	83,524	3.9	252,854	7.6
Private Sector Jobs per Household***	0.56		1.07		1.09	

Source: Illinois Department of Employment Security, Where Workers Work report (2024).

*Figures exclude employees not covered by unemployment insurance. Data not available for all communities in the CMAP region.

**Data is not available for Kendall County.

***Based on households from 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Employment of Blue Island Residents*, 2022

TOP INDUSTRY SECTORS	Count	Percent
1. Health Care	1,209	13.9
2. Retail Trade	1,021	11.7
3. Manufacturing	914	10.5
4. Accommodation and Food Service	858	9.8
5. Transportation	828	9.5
TOP EMPLOYMENT LOCATIONS		
1. Chicago	2,717	31.2
2. Blue Island	526	6.0
3. Alsip	269	3.1
4. Oak Lawn	184	2.1
5. Crestwood	159	1.8

Employment in Blue Island*, 2022

TOP INDUSTRY SECTORS	Count	Percent
1. Administration	928	20.5
2. Education	720	15.9
3. Health Care	505	11.2
4. Manufacturing	435	9.6
5. Accommodation and Food Service	327	7.2
TOP RESIDENCE LOCATIONS		
1. Chicago	1,089	24.1
2. Blue Island	526	11.6
3. Tinley Park	103	2.3
4. Orland Park	100	2.2
5. Oak Lawn	95	2.1

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Longitudinal Employer-Household Dynamics program (2022).

*Excludes residents working outside of, and workers living outside of, the seven-county CMAP region.

Land Use

The land use tables include general land use composition for Blue Island.

General Land Use, 2020

	Acres	Percent
Single-Family Residential	641.4	24.1
Multi-Family Residential	152.3	5.7
Commercial	93.0	3.5
Industrial	327.7	12.3
Institutional	89.2	3.4
Mixed Use	17.2	0.6
Transportation and Other	892.8	33.6
Agricultural	0.0	0.0
Open Space	240.0	9.0
Vacant	207.2	7.8
TOTAL	2,660.8	100.0

Source: Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning analysis of the 2020 [Land Use Inventory](#).

Tax Base

The tax base tables include retail sales and equalized assessed values for Blue Island.

General Merchandise Retail Sales, 2024

	Blue Island	Cook County	CMAP Region
General Merchandise	\$160,920,395	\$79,505,334,385	\$145,067,000,000
Total Retail Sales	\$190,097,785	\$103,073,000,000	\$183,977,000,000
Total Sales per Capita*	\$8,118	\$19,876	\$21,680

Source: Illinois Department of Revenue, 2024.

*Per capita calculations based on population from 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Equalized Assessed Value, 2023

Residential	\$249,783,558
Commercial	\$51,923,389
Industrial	\$34,477,399
Railroad	\$8,264,996
Farm	\$0
Mineral	\$0
TOTAL	\$344,449,342

Source: Illinois Department of Revenue, 2023.

Change Over Time

The time series tables include comparisons of current 2019-2023 ACS estimates to historic year estimates from the 2000 Census and 2009-2013 ACS. Historic data may not be available for municipalities that were incorporated after 2000.

Race and Ethnicity, Over Time

	2000 Percent	2009-2013 Percent	2019-2023 Percent
White (Non-Hispanic)	36.2	21.0	19.2
Hispanic or Latino (of Any Race)	37.9	47.3	43.1
Black (Non-Hispanic)	23.9	29.8	35.2
Asian (Non-Hispanic)	0.3	0.1	0.5
Other/Multiple Races (Non-Hispanic)	1.7	1.8	2.1

Source: 2000 Census; 2009-2013 and 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Total population

Age Cohorts, Over Time

	2000 Percent	2009-2013 Percent	2019-2023 Percent
19 and Under	33.1	31.2	26.0
20 to 34	24.1	21.0	21.6
35 to 49	22.1	19.3	20.6
50 to 64	11.0	17.9	19.2
65 and Over	9.8	10.5	12.5
Median Age	30.4	34.1	36.7

Source: 2000 Census; 2009-2013 and 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Total population

Educational Attainment*, Over Time

	2000 Percent	2009-2013 Percent	2019-2023 Percent
Less than High School Diploma	34.0	22.0	18.2
High School Diploma or Equivalent	28.2	33.6	30.6
Some College, No Degree	21.6	22.9	26.3
Associate's Degree	4.4	7.5	5.6
Bachelor's Degree	8.3	8.9	11.7
Graduate or Professional Degree	3.5	5.1	7.6

Source: 2000 Census; 2009-2013 and 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Population 25 years and older

*Highest degree or level of school completed by an individual.

Nativity, Over Time

	2009-2013 Percent	2019-2023 Percent
Native	78.8	80.6
Foreign Born	21.2	19.4

Source: 2009-2013 and 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Total population

Language Spoken at Home and Ability to Speak English, Over Time

	2009-2013 Percent	2019-2023 Percent
English Only	57.9	64.9
Spanish	39.7	32.9
Slavic Languages	0.1	0.3
Chinese	0.0	0.1
Tagalog	0.0	0.0
Arabic	0.1	0.0
Korean	0.0	0.0
Other Asian Languages	0.1	0.0
Other Indo-European Languages	1.9	1.6
Other/Unspecified Languages	0.2	0.1
TOTAL NON-ENGLISH	42.1	35.1
Speak English Less than "Very Well"*	18.7	14.3

Source: 2009-2013 and 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Population 5 years and older

*For people who speak a language other than English at home, the ACS asks whether they speak English "very well," "well," "not well," or "not at all."

Household Size, Over Time

	2009-2013 Percent	2019-2023 Percent
1-Person Household	31.3	36.2
2-Person Household	26.8	26.9
3-Person Household	13.0	11.4
4-or-More-Person Household	28.9	25.6

Source: 2009-2013 and 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Occupied housing units

Household Type, Over Time

	2009-2013 Percent	2019-2023 Percent
Family	64.2	59.7
Single Parent with Child	13.9	13.6
Non-Family	35.8	40.3

Source: 2009-2013 and 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Occupied housing units

Household Income, Over Time

	2009-2013 (2023 Dollars)	2019-2023 (2023 Dollars)
Median Income	\$53,432	\$60,965

Source: 2009-2013 and 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Occupied housing units

Housing Occupancy and Tenure, Over Time

	2000 Percent	2009-2013 Percent	2019-2023 Percent
Occupied Housing Units	94.3	86.3	92.7
Owner-Occupied*	54.3	53.8	49.1
Renter-Occupied*	45.7	46.2	50.9
Vacant Housing Units	5.7	13.7	7.3

Source: 2000 Census; 2009-2013 and 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Housing units

*Universe: Occupied housing units

Housing Costs as a Percentage of Household Income*, Over Time

	2009-2013	2019-2023
	Percent	Percent
Less than \$20,000	21.7	13.3
Less than 20 Percent	0.7	0.3
20 to 29 Percent	0.5	1.7
30 Percent or More	20.6	11.2
\$20,000 to \$49,999	34.5	26.6
Less than 20 Percent	5.4	3.8
20 to 29 Percent	9.2	5.0
30 Percent or More	19.9	17.8
\$50,000 to \$74,999	18.4	18.3
Less than 20 Percent	9.8	6.8
20 to 29 Percent	4.0	7.8
30 Percent or More	4.7	3.7
\$75,000 or More	21.1	41.8
Less than 20 Percent	14.4	30.6
20 to 29 Percent	4.9	10.3
30 Percent or More	1.8	1.0

Source: 2009-2013 and 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Occupied housing units

*Excludes households with zero/negative income, and renting households paying no cash rent.

Housing Type, Over Time

	2009-2013	2019-2023
	Percent	Percent
Single Family, Detached	46.6	44.1
Single Family, Attached	3.7	3.8
2 Units	11.7	11.0
3 or 4 Units	9.1	7.0
5 or More Units	26.3	29.7
Mobile Home/Other*	2.5	4.5

Source: 2009-2013 and 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Housing units

*"Other" includes boats, recreational vehicles (RVs), vans, etc.

Housing Size, Over Time

	2009-2013	2019-2023
	Percent	Percent
0 or 1 Bedroom	19.5	23.0
2 Bedrooms	35.8	31.0
3 Bedrooms	30.9	31.2
4 Bedrooms	10.1	9.9
5 or More Bedrooms	3.7	5.0
Median Number of Rooms*	5.1	5.1

Source: 2009-2013 and 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Housing units

*Includes living rooms, dining rooms, kitchens, bedrooms, etc., that are separated by built-in, floor-to-ceiling walls.

Excludes bathrooms, porches, balconies, foyers, halls, and unfinished basements.

Vehicles Available per Household, Over Time

	2009-2013 Percent	2019-2023 Percent
No Vehicle Available	11.6	17.2
1 Vehicle Available	43.5	39.3
2 Vehicles Available	30.5	30.3
3 or More Vehicles Available	14.4	13.1

Source: 2009-2013 and 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Occupied housing units

Mode of Travel to Work, Over Time

	2009-2013 Percent	2019-2023 Percent
Work at Home*	2.3	5.7
Drive Alone	75.4	69.4
Carpool	8.5	14.5
Transit	10.1	8.2
Walk or Bike	2.1	1.6
Other	1.6	0.6
TOTAL COMMUTERS	97.7	94.3
Mean Commute Time (Minutes)	29.5	27.7

Source: 2009-2013 and 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Workers 16 years and older

*Not included in total commuters or mean commute time.

Employment Status, Over Time

	2009-2013 Percent	2019-2023 Percent
In Labor Force	66.3	66.4
Employed†*	83.7	88.3
Unemployed*	16.3	11.7
Not in Labor Force	33.7	33.6

Source: 2009-2013 and 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Population 16 years and older

†Does not include employed population in the Armed Forces.

*Universe: In labor force

Water Supply

CMAP supports an integrated approach to water resource management, and encourages communities to incorporate water supply and demand considerations into land use, transportation, and infrastructure investment decisions. Assessing demand, price, and loss trends of a community can inform decisions that strengthen regional water supply management, maintain drinking water infrastructure, and manage demand. CMAP’s ON TO 2050 plan contains [more information](#) about how communities can coordinate and conserve our shared water supply resources.

Water Source and Demand Trends of Blue Island*

Water Source(s): Lake Michigan**

	2008 MGD***	2018 MGD***	Percent Change
Total Water Withdrawals	2.46	2.17	-11.9

Source: Analysis of Illinois Water Inventory Program water withdrawal data (2008-2018), Illinois Department of Natural Resources, Lake Michigan Allocation Program, 2018.

*Only available for municipalities with community water suppliers providing service to the majority of the community. Reported water withdrawals do not include private, industrial, commercial, or residential wells/intakes.

**For communities with multiple sources, the sources are listed by withdrawal volume from largest to smallest. If a community is a Lake Michigan permittee, backup source(s) are listed in parentheses.

***Millions of gallons per day.

Daily Water Demand per Capita

	Blue Island			CMAP Region		
	2008	2018	Percent Change	2008	2018	Percent Change
Gallons per Capita per Day*	105.3	94.9	-9.9	142.9	116.9	-18.2

Source: Analysis of Illinois Water Inventory Program water withdrawal data (2008-2018), Illinois Department of Natural Resources, Lake Michigan Allocation Program, 2018.

*Gallons of water per capita per day (GPCD) is calculated by dividing the water usage by the population (and then again by 365). Population values come from the U.S. Census. The prevalence of private residential wells or community water suppliers that provide water outside of the municipal boundary could lead to artificially lower or higher GPCD values respectively.

Residential Water and Wastewater Price Trends*

MONTHLY COST PER 5,000 GALLONS**	2016 (2023 Dollars)	2022 (2023 Dollars)	Percent Change	Annualized Percent Change
Drinking Water	\$43.67	\$48.21	10.4	1.7
Sewer	\$5.24	\$16.87	221.8	21.5
Combined***	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Source: Illinois-Indiana Sea Grant Water Rates Data for Northeastern Illinois, IISG19-RCE-RLA-031.

*Only available for communities with water utilities and that responded to data requests. Percent changes and prices were adjusted for inflation using the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics’ Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U).

**Monthly water bills are calculated as: *monthly base charge + ((5,000 gallons – water provision included in base charge) × \$/1,000 gallons)*. Note that actual billing calculation practices may vary across communities.

***Some utilities combine drinking water and sewer prices, rather than separating them as two distinct rates.

Water Loss*

Reporting utility: Blue Island

	2017
Nonrevenue Water (Millions of Gallons per Day)**	0.52
Annual Cost of Nonrevenue Water	\$666,418
Percent of Nonrevenue Water to Water Supplied***	24.3

Source: Illinois Department of Natural Resources, Lake Michigan Allocation Program, 2017.

*Data is only regionally available for Lake Michigan permittees; water losses from other communities and industrial and commercial businesses are not reported to the state.

**Nonrevenue water is the difference between net annual pumpage (water supplied) and billed, authorized consumption. Non-revenue water includes water that is lost from the system due to underregistration of meters, systematic data handling errors, leakage anywhere within the distribution system, unauthorized consumption, or unbilled authorized consumption.

***The threshold for permit compliance is no more than 10%. Permittees that exceed the threshold are required to submit a water system improvement plan.