

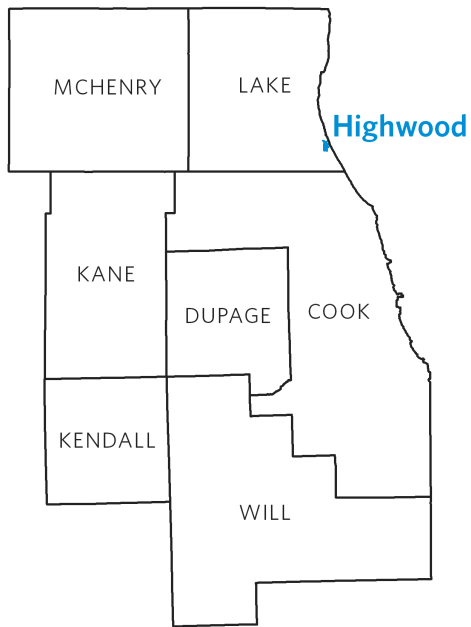


Highwood

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 Highwood, 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 Highwood.

General Population Characteristics, 2023

	Highwood	Lake County	CMAP Region
Total Population	5,243	711,885	8,485,926
Total Households	1,937	256,660	3,276,096
Average Household Size	2.7	2.7	2.5
Percent Population Change, 2000-10	30.5	9.2	3.5
Percent Population Change, 2010-23	-3.0	1.2	0.6
Percent Population Change, 2000-23	26.6	10.5	4.2

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

Race and Ethnicity, 2019-2023

	Highwood		Lake County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
White (Non-Hispanic)	2,782	53.1	406,806	57.1	4,119,620	48.5
Hispanic or Latino (of Any Race)	2,127	40.6	173,796	24.4	2,077,117	24.5
Black (Non-Hispanic)	133	2.5	45,108	6.3	1,359,554	16.0
Asian (Non-Hispanic)	79	1.5	59,534	8.4	649,017	7.6
Other/Multiple Races (Non-Hispanic)	122	2.3	26,641	3.7	280,618	3.3

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

Universe: Total population

Age Cohorts, 2019-2023

	Highwood		Lake County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Under 5	257	4.9	38,458	5.4	475,109	5.6
5 to 19	1,219	23.3	152,082	21.4	1,624,391	19.1
20 to 34	1,103	21.0	130,113	18.3	1,742,314	20.5
35 to 49	895	17.1	137,593	19.3	1,704,607	20.1
50 to 64	960	18.3	144,815	20.3	1,627,982	19.2
65 to 74	540	10.3	65,908	9.3	784,080	9.2
75 to 84	138	2.6	30,448	4.3	371,447	4.4
85 and Over	131	2.5	12,468	1.8	155,996	1.8
Median Age	35.9		38.9		38.4	

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

Universe: Total population

Educational Attainment*, 2019-2023

	Highwood		Lake County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Less than High School Diploma	678	20.5	44,377	9.4	615,007	10.5
High School Diploma or Equivalent	619	18.7	92,684	19.7	1,290,688	22.0
Some College, No Degree	616	18.6	82,933	17.6	1,055,421	18.0
Associate's Degree	138	4.2	30,097	6.4	415,097	7.1
Bachelor's Degree	632	19.1	129,372	27.4	1,469,731	25.1
Graduate or Professional Degree	628	19.0	91,997	19.5	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

	Highwood		Lake County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Native	4,022	76.7	573,171	80.5	6,827,326	80.5
Foreign Born	1,221	23.3	138,714	19.5	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

	Highwood		Lake County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
English Only	2,653	53.2	464,511	69.0	5,434,701	67.8
Spanish	1,920	38.5	128,642	19.1	1,517,770	18.9
Slavic Languages	162	3.2	19,818	2.9	284,004	3.5
Chinese	0	0.0	7,611	1.1	92,694	1.2
Tagalog	46	0.9	6,383	0.9	75,308	0.9
Arabic	0	0.0	1,223	0.2	63,580	0.8
Korean	37	0.7	4,475	0.7	35,008	0.4
Other Asian Languages	0	0.0	12,688	1.9	116,634	1.5
Other Indo-European Languages	168	3.4	25,681	3.8	330,350	4.1
Other/Unspecified Languages	0	0.0	2,395	0.4	60,768	0.8
TOTAL NON-ENGLISH	2,333	46.8	208,916	31.0	2,576,116	32.2
Speak English Less than "Very Well"*	1,087	21.8	72,067	10.7	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

	Highwood		Lake County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Number of People with a Disability	406	7.7	68,733	9.7	878,107	10.3
One Type of Disability Only	184	3.5	38,792	5.4	470,370	5.5
Two or More Types of Disability	222	4.2	29,941	4.2	407,737	4.8

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

Universe: Total population

Disability by Type, 2019-2023

	Highwood		Lake County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Hearing Difficulty	76	1.4	19,137	2.7	209,497	2.5
Vision Difficulty	20	0.4	12,468	1.8	166,646	2.0
Cognitive Difficulty	291	5.6	26,332	3.7	321,997	3.8
Ambulatory Difficulty	118	2.3	29,986	4.2	435,950	5.1
Self-Care Difficulty	27	0.5	12,185	1.7	170,525	2.0
Independent Living Difficulty^{†*}	182	4.9	22,586	4.3	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

	Highwood		Lake County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
0-17 with a Disability	40	0.8	6,313	0.9	65,487	0.8
18-64 with a Disability	242	4.6	34,108	4.8	428,242	5.0
65-74 with a Disability	47	0.9	11,974	1.7	161,968	1.9
75 and Over with a Disability	77	1.5	16,338	2.3	222,410	2.6

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

Universe: Total population

Health Insurance Coverage, 2019-2023

	Highwood		Lake County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Uninsured	702	13.4	47,962	6.7	654,731	7.7
Uninsured and disabled	0	0.0	3,456	0.5	43,267	0.5

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

Universe: Total population

Household Size, 2019-2023

	Highwood		Lake County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
1-Person Household	405	20.9	60,020	23.4	985,617	30.1
2-Person Household	693	35.8	83,847	32.7	1,008,017	30.8
3-Person Household	319	16.5	42,586	16.6	504,018	15.4
4-or-More-Person Household	520	26.8	70,207	27.4	778,444	23.8

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

Universe: Occupied housing units

Household Type, 2019-2023

	Highwood		Lake County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Family	1,350	69.7	183,939	71.7	2,070,874	63.2
Single Parent with Child	149	7.7	18,774	7.3	257,654	7.9
Non-Family	587	30.3	72,721	28.3	1,205,222	36.8

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

Universe: Occupied housing units

Household Income, 2019-2023

	Highwood		Lake County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Less than \$25,000	204	10.5	25,344	9.9	439,439	13.4
\$25,000 to \$49,999	331	17.1	30,820	12.0	476,017	14.5
\$50,000 to \$74,999	141	7.3	32,059	12.5	458,143	14.0
\$75,000 to \$99,999	256	13.2	29,945	11.7	407,824	12.4
\$100,000 to \$149,999	498	25.7	48,521	18.9	601,803	18.4
\$150,000 and Over	507	26.2	89,971	35.1	892,870	27.3
Median Income	\$101,862		\$108,917		\$91,211	
Per Capita Income*	\$47,680		\$55,756		\$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

	Highwood		Lake County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
One or More Computing Devices	1,888	97.5	248,221	96.7	3,123,104	95.3
Smartphone(s) Only	109	5.6	16,901	6.6	260,365	7.9
No Computing Devices	49	2.5	8,439	3.3	152,992	4.7
Internet Access	1,896	97.9	244,649	95.3	3,062,137	93.5
Broadband Subscription	1,868	96.4	240,027	93.5	2,976,465	90.9
No Internet Access	41	2.1	12,011	4.7	213,959	6.5

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

Universe: Occupied housing units

Housing Occupancy and Tenure, 2019-2023

	Highwood		Lake County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Occupied Housing Units	1,937	98.4	256,660	95.0	3,276,096	93.2
Owner-Occupied*	949	49.0	190,963	74.4	2,116,804	64.6
Renter-Occupied*	988	51.0	65,697	25.6	1,159,292	35.4
Vacant Housing Units	32	1.6	13,423	5.0	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

	Highwood		Lake County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Less than \$20,000	55	3.0	15,588	6.2	282,533	8.9
Less than 20 Percent	0	0.0	467	0.2	5,512	0.2
20 to 29 Percent	0	0.0	875	0.3	17,248	0.5
30 Percent or More	55	3.0	14,246	5.7	259,773	8.1
\$20,000 to \$49,999	403	22.1	36,589	14.5	562,059	17.6
Less than 20 Percent	0	0.0	3,879	1.5	53,141	1.7
20 to 29 Percent	14	0.8	5,386	2.1	92,118	2.9
30 Percent or More	389	21.3	27,324	10.9	416,800	13.1
\$50,000 to \$74,999	141	7.7	31,808	12.6	452,299	14.2
Less than 20 Percent	24	1.3	8,202	3.3	110,823	3.5
20 to 29 Percent	38	2.1	10,118	4.0	150,697	4.7
30 Percent or More	79	4.3	13,488	5.4	190,779	6.0
\$75,000 or More	1,227	67.2	167,513	66.6	1,891,958	59.3
Less than 20 Percent	630	34.5	112,824	44.9	1,236,129	38.8
20 to 29 Percent	530	29.0	38,687	15.4	470,193	14.7
30 Percent or More	67	3.7	16,002	6.4	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	34	42
Transportation Costs	16	18
TOTAL H+T COSTS	49	60

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 Highwood.

Housing Type, 2019-2023

	Highwood		Lake County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Single Family, Detached	863	43.8	179,407	66.4	1,743,869	49.6
Single Family, Attached	99	5.0	27,962	10.4	267,616	7.6
2 Units	382	19.4	6,937	2.6	233,187	6.6
3 or 4 Units	82	4.2	8,751	3.2	276,611	7.9
5 to 9 Units	80	4.1	10,000	3.7	272,171	7.7
10 to 19 Units	209	10.6	11,817	4.4	158,373	4.5
20 or More Units	246	12.5	20,687	7.7	533,018	15.2
Mobile Home/Other*	8	0.4	4,522	1.7	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

	Highwood		Lake County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
0 or 1 Bedroom	253	12.8	24,353	9.0	584,858	16.6
2 Bedrooms	647	32.9	63,885	23.7	974,700	27.7
3 Bedrooms	632	32.1	91,396	33.8	1,154,991	32.9
4 Bedrooms	332	16.9	70,360	26.1	616,835	17.5
5 or More Bedrooms	105	5.3	20,089	7.4	184,129	5.2
Median Number of Rooms*	5.6		6.3		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

	Highwood		Lake County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Built 2010 or Later	27	1.4	13,524	5.0	172,688	4.9
Built 1990 to 2009	418	21.2	90,233	33.4	764,770	21.8
Built 1970 to 1989	447	22.7	81,837	30.3	813,872	23.2
Built 1940 to 1969	361	18.3	61,151	22.6	1,032,806	29.4
Built Before 1940	716	36.4	23,338	8.6	731,377	20.8
Median Year Built	1958		1982		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 Highwood.

Vehicles Available per Household, 2019-2023

	Highwood		Lake County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
No Vehicle Available	49	2.5	12,254	4.8	423,777	12.9
1 Vehicle Available	576	29.7	72,781	28.4	1,196,026	36.5
2 Vehicles Available	967	49.9	112,285	43.7	1,112,204	33.9
3 or More Vehicles Available	345	17.8	59,340	23.1	544,089	16.6

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

Universe: Occupied housing units

Mode of Travel to Work, 2019-2023

	Highwood		Lake County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Work at Home*	384	13.8	62,393	17.3	690,746	16.4
Drive Alone	1,753	62.9	245,071	68.0	2,616,122	62.0
Carpool	493	17.7	30,265	8.4	326,525	7.7
Transit	128	4.6	9,949	2.8	376,771	8.9
Walk or Bike	27	1.0	7,803	2.2	147,732	3.5
Other	0	0.0	5,014	1.4	64,598	1.5
TOTAL COMMUTERS	2,401	86.2	298,102	82.7	3,531,748	83.6
Mean Commute Time (Minutes)	31.1		28.8		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

	Highwood	Lake County	CMAP Region
Average Vehicle Miles Traveled per Year	15,677	17,473	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 Highwood.

Employment Status, 2019-2023

	Highwood		Lake County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
In Labor Force	2,980	73.4	387,586	68.5	4,590,752	67.2
Employed ^{†*}	2,739	91.9	357,339	92.2	4,298,652	93.6
Unemployed*	176	5.9	19,095	4.9	278,175	6.1
Not in Labor Force	1,081	26.6	178,161	31.5	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

	Highwood		Lake County		6-County Region**	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Private Sector Employment	N/A	N/A	280,950	N/A	3,560,776	N/A
Job Change, 2014-24	N/A	N/A	824	0.3	179,601	5.3
Job Change, 2004-24	N/A	N/A	9,254	3.4	252,854	7.6
Private Sector Jobs per Household***	N/A		1.09		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 Highwood Residents*, 2022

TOP INDUSTRY SECTORS	Count	Percent
1. Health Care	211	11.6
2. Retail Trade	204	11.2
3. Professional	184	10.1
4. Accommodation and Food Service	179	9.8
5. Education	159	8.7
TOP EMPLOYMENT LOCATIONS		
1. Chicago	422	23.1
2. Highland Park	208	11.4
3. Highwood	119	6.5
4. Northbrook	70	3.8
5. Deerfield	51	2.8

Employment in Highwood*, 2022

TOP INDUSTRY SECTORS	Count	Percent
1. Accommodation and Food Service	463	45.0
2. Health Care	156	15.2
3. Other Service	83	8.1
4. Retail Trade	75	7.3
5. Finance	53	5.2
TOP RESIDENCE LOCATIONS		
1. Highwood	119	11.6
2. Chicago	106	10.3
3. Highland Park	89	8.7
4. Waukegan	46	4.5
5. Lake Forest	28	2.7

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 Highwood.

General Land Use, 2020

	Acres	Percent
Single-Family Residential	182.9	39.7
Multi-Family Residential	32.5	7.1
Commercial	22.2	4.8
Industrial	0.0	0.0
Institutional	104.9	22.7
Mixed Use	8.2	1.8
Transportation and Other	89.7	19.5
Agricultural	0.0	0.0
Open Space	10.8	2.3
Vacant	10.0	2.2
TOTAL	461.2	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 Highwood.

General Merchandise Retail Sales, 2024

	Highwood	Lake County	CMAP Region
General Merchandise	\$79,173,533	\$13,762,721,059	\$145,067,000,000
Total Retail Sales	\$92,713,210	\$17,004,869,681	\$183,977,000,000
Total Sales per Capita*	\$17,683	\$23,887	\$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	\$125,151,094
Commercial	\$40,696,304
Industrial	\$0
Railroad	\$406,759
Farm	\$0
Mineral	\$0
TOTAL	\$166,254,157

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)	56.6	51.2	53.1
Hispanic or Latino (of Any Race)	38.2	44.4	40.6
Black (Non-Hispanic)	1.9	2.0	2.5
Asian (Non-Hispanic)	2.1	1.5	1.5
Other/Multiple Races (Non-Hispanic)	1.1	0.7	2.3

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	26.1	26.9	28.2
20 to 34	25.9	19.8	21.0
35 to 49	21.3	22.0	17.1
50 to 64	11.0	14.0	18.3
65 and Over	15.7	17.3	15.4
Median Age	33.7	36.7	35.9

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	29.2	20.1	20.5
High School Diploma or Equivalent	23.6	29.5	18.7
Some College, No Degree	18.2	13.0	18.6
Associate's Degree	1.9	7.2	4.2
Bachelor's Degree	15.8	17.9	19.1
Graduate or Professional Degree	11.3	12.2	19.0

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	67.0	76.7
Foreign Born	33.0	23.3

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	42.1	53.2
Spanish	46.8	38.5
Slavic Languages	1.0	3.2
Chinese	0.0	0.0
Tagalog	0.3	0.9
Arabic	0.0	0.0
Korean	1.7	0.7
Other Asian Languages	0.0	0.0
Other Indo-European Languages	8.0	3.4
Other/Unspecified Languages	0.0	0.0
TOTAL NON-ENGLISH	57.9	46.8
Speak English Less than "Very Well"*	21.4	21.8

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	27.5	20.9
2-Person Household	29.5	35.8
3-Person Household	14.9	16.5
4-or-More-Person Household	28.1	26.8

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	65.2	69.7
Single Parent with Child	11.3	7.7
Non-Family	34.8	30.3

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	\$69,345	\$101,862

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	96.9	93.4	98.4
Owner-Occupied*	42.6	53.6	49.0
Renter-Occupied*	57.4	46.4	51.0
Vacant Housing Units	3.1	6.6	1.6

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	9.7	3.0
Less than 20 Percent	0.0	0.0
20 to 29 Percent	2.3	0.0
30 Percent or More	7.5	3.0
\$20,000 to \$49,999	32.4	22.1
Less than 20 Percent	1.1	0.0
20 to 29 Percent	3.8	0.8
30 Percent or More	27.6	21.3
\$50,000 to \$74,999	21.5	7.7
Less than 20 Percent	4.5	1.3
20 to 29 Percent	8.3	2.1
30 Percent or More	8.7	4.3
\$75,000 or More	32.5	67.2
Less than 20 Percent	20.4	34.5
20 to 29 Percent	3.5	29.0
30 Percent or More	8.6	3.7

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	37.6	43.8
Single Family, Attached	12.5	5.0
2 Units	15.4	19.4
3 or 4 Units	10.3	4.2
5 or More Units	24.1	27.2
Mobile Home/Other*	0.0	0.4

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	18.3	12.8
2 Bedrooms	22.7	32.9
3 Bedrooms	44.4	32.1
4 Bedrooms	11.4	16.9
5 or More Bedrooms	3.1	5.3
Median Number of Rooms*	5.3	5.6

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	12.9	2.5
1 Vehicle Available	46.0	29.7
2 Vehicles Available	29.8	49.9
3 or More Vehicles Available	11.2	17.8

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*	5.0	13.8
Drive Alone	70.5	62.9
Carpool	8.9	17.7
Transit	10.1	4.6
Walk or Bike	5.5	1.0
Other	0.0	0.0
TOTAL COMMUTERS	95.0	86.2
Mean Commute Time (Minutes)	21.8	31.1

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	67.4	73.4
Employed ^{†*}	86.4	91.9
Unemployed*	13.6	5.9
Not in Labor Force	32.6	26.6

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 Highwood*

Water Source(s): Lake Michigan**

	2008 MGD***	2018 MGD***	Percent Change
Total Water Withdrawals	0.57	0.45	-21.3

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

	Highwood			CMAP Region		
	2008	2018	Percent Change	2008	2018	Percent Change
Gallons per Capita per Day*	105.3	87.2	-17.2	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	2022	Percent Change	Annualized Percent Change
	(2023 Dollars)	(2023 Dollars)		
Drinking Water	\$44.95	\$35.63	-20.8	-3.8
Sewer	\$10.63	\$7.81	-26.5	-5.0
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: Highwood

	2017
Nonrevenue Water (Millions of Gallons per Day)**	0.04
Annual Cost of Nonrevenue Water	\$36,173
Percent of Nonrevenue Water to Water Supplied***	8.3

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.