

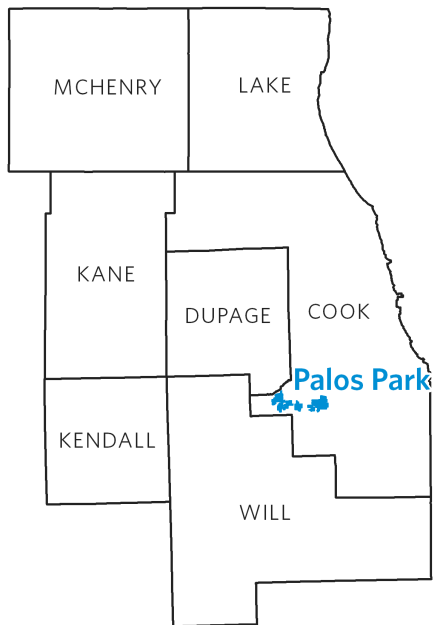


Palos Park

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 Palos Park, 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 Palos Park.

General Population Characteristics, 2024

	Palos Park	Cook County	CMAP Region
Total Population	4,816	5,182,090	8,495,320
Total Households	2,036	2,100,230	3,301,388
Average Household Size	2.3	2.4	2.5
Percent Population Change, 2000-10	3.4	-3.4	3.5
Percent Population Change, 2010-24	-0.6	-0.2	0.8
Percent Population Change, 2000-24	2.7	-3.6	4.3

Source: 2000 and 2010 Census, 2020-2024 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Race and Ethnicity, 2020-2024

	Palos Park		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
White (Non-Hispanic)	4,211	87.4	2,077,522	40.1	4,070,419	47.9
Hispanic or Latino (of Any Race)	252	5.2	1,387,163	26.8	2,106,868	24.8
Black (Non-Hispanic)	175	3.6	1,130,881	21.8	1,341,618	15.8
Asian (Non-Hispanic)	74	1.5	407,859	7.9	668,971	7.9
Other/Multiple Races (Non-Hispanic)	104	2.2	178,665	3.4	307,444	3.6

Source: 2020-2024 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Total population

Age Cohorts, 2020-2024

	Palos Park		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Under 5	187	3.9	280,520	5.4	462,655	5.4
5 to 19	620	12.9	935,109	18.0	1,610,678	19.0
20 to 34	370	7.7	1,145,837	22.1	1,751,152	20.6
35 to 49	616	12.8	1,044,009	20.1	1,707,049	20.1
50 to 64	1,248	25.9	949,459	18.3	1,612,962	19.0
65 to 74	1,074	22.3	487,190	9.4	803,224	9.5
75 to 84	413	8.6	237,130	4.6	388,880	4.6
85 and Over	288	6.0	102,836	2.0	158,720	1.9
Median Age	59.7		38.0		38.5	

Source: 2020-2024 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Total population

Educational Attainment*, 2020-2024

	Palos Park		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Less than High School Diploma	201	5.1	416,621	11.4	608,225	10.3
High School Diploma or Equivalent	917	23.2	801,258	22.0	1,287,338	21.9
Some College, No Degree	614	15.6	624,173	17.1	1,039,489	17.7
Associate's Degree	175	4.4	243,881	6.7	417,149	7.1
Bachelor's Degree	1,066	27.0	900,648	24.7	1,493,459	25.4
Graduate or Professional Degree	972	24.6	654,953	18.0	1,042,387	17.7

Source: 2020-2024 American Community Survey five-year estimates.
 *Highest degree or level of school completed by an individual.

Universe: Population 25 years and older

Nativity, 2020-2024

	Palos Park		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Native	4,103	85.2	4,055,022	78.3	6,804,818	80.1
Foreign Born	713	14.8	1,127,068	21.7	1,690,502	19.9

Source: 2020-2024 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Total population

Language Spoken at Home and Ability to Speak English, 2020-2024

	Palos Park		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
English Only	3,975	85.9	3,148,963	64.2	5,427,887	67.6
Spanish	173	3.7	1,031,829	21.1	1,526,595	19.0
Russian, Polish, or other Slavic Languages	146	3.2	207,055	4.2	288,316	3.6
Chinese (incl. Mandarin, Cantonese)	0	0.0	68,513	1.4	93,083	1.2
Tagalog (incl. Filipino)	13	0.3	48,595	1.0	76,863	1.0
Arabic	146	3.2	51,340	1.0	65,592	0.8
Korean	0	0.0	26,697	0.5	36,471	0.5
Other Asian Languages	38	0.8	68,378	1.4	119,487	1.5
Other Indo-European Languages	138	3.0	200,789	4.1	336,581	4.2
Other/Unspecified Languages	0	0.0	49,411	1.0	61,790	0.8
TOTAL NON-ENGLISH	654	14.1	1,752,607	35.8	2,604,778	32.4
Speak English Less than "Very Well"*	197	4.3	688,614	14.0	979,229	12.2

Source: 2020-2024 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, 2020-2024

	Palos Park		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Number of People with a Disability	537	11.2	587,540	11.3	900,445	10.6
One Type of Disability Only	220	4.6	311,410	6.0	486,435	5.7
Two or More Types of Disability	317	6.6	276,130	5.3	414,010	4.9

Source: 2020-2024 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Total population

Disability by Type, 2020-2024

	Palos Park		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Hearing Difficulty	347	7.2	129,886	2.5	214,075	2.5
Vision Difficulty	125	2.6	117,625	2.3	171,275	2.0
Cognitive Difficulty	131	2.7	219,496	4.2	334,479	3.9
Ambulatory Difficulty	263	5.5	296,871	5.7	437,316	5.1
Self-Care Difficulty	78	1.6	114,066	2.2	171,243	2.0
Independent Living Difficulty^{†*}	174	4.4	225,488	5.6	336,594	5.1

Source: 2020-2024 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Total population

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, 2020-2024

	Palos Park		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
0-17 with a Disability	0	0.0	40,503	0.8	66,935	0.8
18-64 with a Disability	94	2.0	287,681	5.6	436,241	5.1
65-74 with a Disability	208	4.3	108,988	2.1	166,015	2.0
75 and Over with a Disability	235	4.9	150,368	2.9	231,254	2.7

Source: 2020-2024 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Total population

Health Insurance Coverage, 2020-2024

	Palos Park		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Uninsured	197	4.1	454,597	8.8	646,573	7.6
Uninsured and disabled	4	0.1	31,475	0.6	43,842	0.5

Source: 2020-2024 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Total population

Household Size, 2020-2024

	Palos Park		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
1-Person Household	645	31.7	727,904	34.7	1,004,516	30.4
2-Person Household	782	38.4	629,256	30.0	1,018,513	30.9
3-Person Household	299	14.7	299,403	14.3	501,858	15.2
4-or-More-Person Household	310	15.2	443,667	21.1	776,501	23.5

Source: 2020-2024 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Occupied housing units

Household Type, 2020-2024

	Palos Park		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Family	1,334	65.5	1,210,089	57.6	2,073,094	62.8
Single Parent with Child	15	0.7	168,379	8.0	255,272	7.7
Non-Family	702	34.5	890,141	42.4	1,228,294	37.2

Source: 2020-2024 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Occupied housing units

Household Income, 2020-2024

	Palos Park		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Less than \$25,000	349	17.1	332,400	15.8	437,334	13.2
\$25,000 to \$49,999	229	11.2	329,767	15.7	468,081	14.2
\$50,000 to \$74,999	231	11.3	293,762	14.0	451,436	13.7
\$75,000 to \$99,999	67	3.3	255,847	12.2	406,073	12.3
\$100,000 to \$149,999	352	17.3	362,019	17.2	604,303	18.3
\$150,000 and Over	808	39.7	526,435	25.1	934,161	28.3
Median Income	\$121,696		\$83,498		\$93,091	
Per Capita Income*	\$94,436		\$49,329		\$50,613	

Source: 2020-2024 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Occupied housing units

*Universe: Total population

Household Computer and Internet Access, 2020-2024

	Palos Park		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
One or More Computing Devices	1,874	92.0	2,000,086	95.2	3,168,942	96.0
Smartphone(s) Only	104	5.1	197,093	9.4	265,765	8.1
No Computing Devices	162	8.0	100,144	4.8	132,446	4.0
Internet Access	1,975	97.0	1,968,080	93.7	3,122,435	94.6
Broadband Subscription	1,967	96.6	1,903,624	90.6	3,037,636	92.0
No Internet Access	61	3.0	132,150	6.3	178,953	5.4

Source: 2020-2024 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Occupied housing units

Housing Occupancy and Tenure, 2020-2024

	Palos Park		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Occupied Housing Units	2,036	93.2	2,100,230	92.3	3,301,388	93.6
Owner-Occupied*	1,828	89.8	1,212,570	57.7	2,140,282	64.8
Renter-Occupied*	208	10.2	887,660	42.3	1,161,106	35.2
Vacant Housing Units	148	6.8	176,263	7.7	225,992	6.4

Source: 2020-2024 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Housing units
*Universe: Occupied housing units

Housing Costs as a Percentage of Household Income*, 2020-2024

	Palos Park		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Less than \$20,000	247	12.3	217,994	10.7	284,351	8.9
Less than 20 Percent	0	0.0	3,840	0.2	4,916	0.2
20 to 29 Percent	103	5.1	13,598	0.7	16,165	0.5
30 Percent or More	144	7.2	200,556	9.9	263,270	8.2
\$20,000 to \$49,999	316	15.8	389,231	19.1	548,567	17.1
Less than 20 Percent	0	0.0	35,421	1.7	49,943	1.6
20 to 29 Percent	33	1.6	60,268	3.0	85,571	2.7
30 Percent or More	283	14.1	293,542	14.4	413,053	12.9
\$50,000 to \$74,999	231	11.5	289,462	14.2	445,688	13.9
Less than 20 Percent	117	5.8	68,947	3.4	104,246	3.2
20 to 29 Percent	63	3.1	97,251	4.8	144,885	4.5
30 Percent or More	51	2.5	123,264	6.1	196,557	6.1
\$75,000 or More	1,208	60.3	1,137,184	55.9	1,934,018	60.2
Less than 20 Percent	853	42.6	735,884	36.2	1,259,840	39.2
20 to 29 Percent	233	11.6	280,125	13.8	475,559	14.8
30 Percent or More	122	6.1	121,175	6.0	198,619	6.2

Source: 2020-2024 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	39	48
Transportation Costs	19	22
TOTAL H+T COSTS	58	71

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 Palos Park.

Housing Type, 2020-2024

	Palos Park		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Single Family, Detached	1,537	70.4	900,824	39.6	1,744,963	49.5
Single Family, Attached	327	15.0	124,081	5.5	267,540	7.6
2 Units	103	4.7	203,431	8.9	225,323	6.4
3 or 4 Units	90	4.1	237,569	10.4	278,696	7.9
5 to 9 Units	10	0.5	221,658	9.7	272,436	7.7
10 to 19 Units	0	0.0	113,433	5.0	162,206	4.6
20 or More Units	117	5.4	456,751	20.1	545,750	15.5
Mobile Home/Other*	0	0.0	18,746	0.8	30,466	0.9

Source: 2020-2024 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Housing units

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

Housing Size, 2020-2024

	Palos Park		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
0 or 1 Bedroom	175	8.0	481,226	21.1	596,223	16.9
2 Bedrooms	327	15.0	692,768	30.4	970,902	27.5
3 Bedrooms	895	41.0	707,318	31.1	1,149,073	32.6
4 Bedrooms	712	32.6	290,384	12.8	621,544	17.6
5 or More Bedrooms	75	3.4	104,797	4.6	189,638	5.4
Median Number of Rooms*	7.0		5.1		6.0	

Source: 2020-2024 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, 2020-2024

	Palos Park		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Built 2010 or Later	95	4.3	114,864	5.0	198,138	5.6
Built 1990 to 2009	575	26.3	322,599	14.2	768,316	21.8
Built 1970 to 1989	546	25.0	448,001	19.7	812,639	23.0
Built 1940 to 1969	745	34.1	758,643	33.3	1,020,505	28.9
Built Before 1940	223	10.2	632,386	27.8	727,782	20.6
Median Year Built	1976		1961		1970	

Source: 2020-2024 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 Palos Park.

Vehicles Available per Household, 2020-2024

	Palos Park		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
No Vehicle Available	32	1.6	378,260	18.0	429,242	13.0
1 Vehicle Available	652	32.0	871,670	41.5	1,213,932	36.8
2 Vehicles Available	920	45.2	597,002	28.4	1,112,702	33.7
3 or More Vehicles Available	432	21.2	253,298	12.1	545,512	16.5

Source: 2020-2024 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Occupied housing units

Mode of Travel to Work, 2020-2024

	Palos Park		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Work at Home*	590	28.8	480,070	18.9	783,713	18.5
Drive Alone	1,265	61.8	1,392,162	54.8	2,558,570	60.5
Carpool	132	6.4	196,668	7.7	328,727	7.8
Transit	31	1.5	300,955	11.8	344,109	8.1
Walk or Bike	12	0.6	125,563	4.9	151,058	3.6
Other	18	0.9	44,544	1.8	65,884	1.6
TOTAL COMMUTERS	1,458	71.2	2,059,892	81.1	3,448,348	81.5
Mean Commute Time (Minutes)	29.6		31.5		30.5	

Source: 2020-2024 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

	Palos Park	Cook County	CMAP Region
Average Vehicle Miles Traveled per Year	15,655	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 Palos Park.

Employment Status, 2020-2024

	Palos Park		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
In Labor Force	2,150	50.9	2,794,546	66.2	4,610,045	67.1
Employed†*	2,048	95.3	2,597,162	92.9	4,310,932	93.5
Unemployed*	102	4.7	195,726	7.0	284,304	6.2
Not in Labor Force	2,072	49.1	1,427,420	33.8	2,255,280	32.9

Source: 2020-2024 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*, 2025

	Palos Park		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Private Sector Employment	N/A	N/A	2,247,360	N/A	3,607,704	N/A
Job Change, 2015-25	N/A	N/A	59,835	2.7	141,870	4.1
Job Change, 2005-25	N/A	N/A	95,315	4.4	259,486	7.7
Private Sector Jobs per Household**	N/A		1.07		1.09	

Source: Illinois Department of Employment Security, Where Workers Work report (2025), Illinois at Work report (2025).

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

**Based on households from 2020-2024 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Employment of Palos Park Residents*, 2023

TOP INDUSTRY SECTORS	Count	Percent
1. Health Care	291	14.2
2. Education	217	10.6
3. Retail Trade	201	9.8
4. Professional	174	8.5
5. Accommodation and Food Service	141	6.9
TOP EMPLOYMENT LOCATIONS		
1. Chicago	519	25.3
2. Palos Heights	82	4.0
3. Orland Park	75	3.6
4. Oak Lawn	59	2.9
5. Downers Grove	42	2.0

Employment in Palos Park*, 2023

TOP INDUSTRY SECTORS	Count	Percent
1. Retail Trade	295	22.6
2. Health Care	243	18.6
3. Construction	125	9.6
4. Information	121	9.3
5. Public Administration	109	8.3
TOP RESIDENCE LOCATIONS		
1. Chicago	190	14.5
2. Orland Park	86	6.6
3. Unincorporated Cook County	62	4.7
4. Palos Park	38	2.9
5. Tinley Park	36	2.8

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Longitudinal Employer-Household Dynamics program (2023).

*Includes workers and workplaces outside the seven-county CMAP region, including neighboring states such as Indiana, Wisconsin, and Iowa.

Land Use

The land use tables include general land use composition for Palos Park.

General Land Use, 2023

	Acres	Percent
Single-Family Residential	1,553.8	37.0
Multi-Family Residential	12.6	0.3
Commercial	38.7	0.9
Industrial	1.8	0.0
Institutional	113.3	2.7
Mixed Use	0.5	0.0
Transportation and Other	472.2	11.2
Agricultural	307.4	7.3
Open Space	1,152.4	27.4
Vacant	551.8	13.1
TOTAL	4,204.6	100.0

Source: Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning analysis of the 2023 [Land Use Inventory](#).

Tax Base

The tax base tables include retail sales and equalized assessed values for Palos Park.

General Merchandise Retail Sales, 2025

	Palos Park	Cook County	CMAP Region
General Merchandise	\$89,628,111	\$92,798,106,747	\$169,979,000,000
Total Retail Sales	\$130,604,970	\$120,224,000,000	\$214,930,000,000
Total Sales per Capita*	\$27,119	\$23,200	\$25,300

Source: Illinois Department of Revenue, 2025.

*Per capita calculations based on population from 2020-2024 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Equalized Assessed Value, 2024

Residential	\$270,273,650
Commercial	\$38,725,001
Industrial	\$1,103,270
Railroad	\$169,246
Farm	\$128,885
Mineral	\$0
TOTAL	\$310,400,052

Source: Illinois Department of Revenue, 2024.

Change Over Time

The time series tables include comparisons of current 2020-2024 ACS estimates to historic year estimates from the 2000 Census and 2010-2014 ACS. Historic data may not be available for municipalities that were incorporated after 2000.

Race and Ethnicity, Over Time

	2000 Percent	2010-2014 Percent	2020-2024 Percent
White (Non-Hispanic)	95.2	87.2	87.4
Hispanic or Latino (of Any Race)	2.1	8.3	5.2
Black (Non-Hispanic)	0.3	1.0	3.6
Asian (Non-Hispanic)	1.7	2.5	1.5
Other/Multiple Races (Non-Hispanic)	0.7	1.1	2.2

Source: 2000 Census; 2010-2014 and 2020-2024 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Total population

Age Cohorts, Over Time

	2000 Percent	2010-2014 Percent	2020-2024 Percent
19 and Under	23.4	17.8	16.8
20 to 34	10.0	10.9	7.7
35 to 49	22.2	14.0	12.8
50 to 64	25.2	29.4	25.9
65 and Over	19.3	27.9	36.9
Median Age	46.9	54.6	59.7

Source: 2000 Census; 2010-2014 and 2020-2024 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Total population

Educational Attainment*, Over Time

	2000 Percent	2010-2014 Percent	2020-2024 Percent
Less than High School Diploma	5.7	3.8	5.1
High School Diploma or Equivalent	23.8	17.2	23.2
Some College, No Degree	19.3	25.4	15.6
Associate's Degree	6.0	9.6	4.4
Bachelor's Degree	25.6	26.9	27.0
Graduate or Professional Degree	19.6	17.1	24.6

Source: 2000 Census; 2010-2014 and 2020-2024 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

	2010-2014 Percent	2020-2024 Percent
Native	92.7	85.2
Foreign Born	7.3	14.8

Source: 2010-2014 and 2020-2024 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Total population

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

	2010-2014 Percent	2020-2024 Percent
English Only	87.0	85.9
Spanish	2.1	3.7
Russian, Polish, or other Slavic Languages	1.5	3.2
Chinese (incl. Mandarin, Cantonese)	0.0	0.0
Tagalog (incl. Filipino)	0.0	0.3
Arabic	2.3	3.2
Korean	0.0	0.0
Other Asian Languages	0.5	0.8
Other Indo-European Languages	6.6	3.0
Other/Unspecified Languages	0.0	0.0
TOTAL NON-ENGLISH	13.0	14.1
Speak English Less than "Very Well"*	3.1	4.3

Source: 2010-2014 and 2020-2024 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."

Health Insurance Coverage, Over Time

	2010-2014 Percent	2020-2024 Percent
With Health Insurance Coverage	91.4	95.8
No Health Insurance	8.6	4.2

Source: 2010-2014 and 2020-2024 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Civilian non-institutional population

Household Size, Over Time

	2010-2014 Percent	2020-2024 Percent
1-Person Household	31.5	31.7
2-Person Household	41.9	38.4
3-Person Household	12.0	14.7
4-or-More-Person Household	14.6	15.2

Source: 2010-2014 and 2020-2024 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Occupied housing units

Household Type, Over Time

	2010-2014 Percent	2020-2024 Percent
Family	66.8	65.5
Single Parent with Child	1.8	0.7
Non-Family	33.2	34.5

Source: 2010-2014 and 2020-2024 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Occupied housing units

Household Income, Over Time

	2010-2014 (2024 Dollars)	2020-2024 (2024 Dollars)
Median Income	\$101,609	\$121,696

Source: 2010-2014 and 2020-2024 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Occupied housing units

Housing Occupancy and Tenure, Over Time

	2000 Percent	2010-2014 Percent	2020-2024 Percent
Occupied Housing Units	97.3	96.4	93.2
Owner-Occupied*	97.1	86.9	89.8
Renter-Occupied*	2.9	13.1	10.2
Vacant Housing Units	2.7	3.6	6.8

Source: 2000 Census; 2010-2014 and 2020-2024 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Housing units

*Universe: Occupied housing units

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

	2010-2014	2020-2024
	Percent	Percent
Less than \$20,000	9.7	12.3
Less than 20 Percent	0.0	0.0
20 to 29 Percent	4.6	5.1
30 Percent or More	5.2	7.2
\$20,000 to \$49,999	20.1	15.8
Less than 20 Percent	1.2	0.0
20 to 29 Percent	3.5	1.6
30 Percent or More	15.4	14.1
\$50,000 to \$74,999	16.9	11.5
Less than 20 Percent	7.0	5.8
20 to 29 Percent	3.5	3.1
30 Percent or More	6.4	2.5
\$75,000 or More	52.5	60.3
Less than 20 Percent	25.3	42.6
20 to 29 Percent	16.0	11.6
30 Percent or More	11.1	6.1

Source: 2010-2014 and 2020-2024 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

	2010-2014	2020-2024
	Percent	Percent
Single Family, Detached	68.8	70.4
Single Family, Attached	13.9	15.0
2 Units	0.4	4.7
3 or 4 Units	7.9	4.1
5 or More Units	8.9	5.8
Mobile Home/Other*	0.0	0.0

Source: 2010-2014 and 2020-2024 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Housing units

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

Housing Size, Over Time

	2010-2014	2020-2024
	Percent	Percent
0 or 1 Bedroom	9.3	8.0
2 Bedrooms	18.2	15.0
3 Bedrooms	36.8	41.0
4 Bedrooms	27.7	32.6
5 or More Bedrooms	8.1	3.4
Median Number of Rooms*	7.1	7.0

Source: 2010-2014 and 2020-2024 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

	2010-2014 Percent	2020-2024 Percent
No Vehicle Available	7.5	1.6
1 Vehicle Available	24.8	32.0
2 Vehicles Available	45.6	45.2
3 or More Vehicles Available	22.0	21.2

Source: 2010-2014 and 2020-2024 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Occupied housing units

Mode of Travel to Work, Over Time

	2010-2014 Percent	2020-2024 Percent
Work at Home*	7.6	28.8
Drive Alone	77.6	61.8
Carpool	8.9	6.4
Transit	4.6	1.5
Walk or Bike	0.6	0.6
Other	0.7	0.9
TOTAL COMMUTERS	92.4	71.2
Mean Commute Time (Minutes)	31.1	29.6

Source: 2010-2014 and 2020-2024 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

	2010-2014 Percent	2020-2024 Percent
In Labor Force	57.0	50.9
Employed ^{†*}	92.8	95.3
Unemployed*	7.2	4.7
Not in Labor Force	43.0	49.1

Source: 2010-2014 and 2020-2024 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 Palos Park*

Water Source(s): Lake Michigan**

	2008 MGD***	2018 MGD***	Percent Change
Total Water Withdrawals	0.49	0.43	-12.3

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

	Palos Park			CMAP Region		
	2008	2018	Percent Change	2008	2018	Percent Change
Gallons per Capita per Day*	104.7	89.1	-14.9	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	2022	Percent Change	Annualized Percent Change
	(2024 Dollars)	(2024 Dollars)		
Drinking Water	\$58.87	\$76.80	30.5	4.5
Sewer	\$9.15	\$17.69	93.3	11.6
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: Palos Park

	2017
Nonrevenue Water (Millions of Gallons per Day)**	0.06
Annual Cost of Nonrevenue Water	\$99,319
Percent of Nonrevenue Water to Water Supplied***	14.3

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.