

Community Data Snapshot | Forest Park

GENERAL POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS, 2015

	Community	Cook County**	CMAP Region
Total Population	14,194	5,236,393	8,505,977
Total Households	7,207	1,942,959	3,067,594
Average Household Size	1.9	2.6	2.7
Population Change, 2000-10	-9.7%	-3.4%	3.5%
Median Age*	39.8	35.9	36.5

Source: 2000 and 2010 Census, 2015 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

*Note that all Regional Medians were calculated based on Grouped Frequency Distributions.

**For municipalities located in more than one county, data provided is for the county containing the largest portion of the municipality.



RACE AND ETHNICITY, 2015

	Community		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
White	6,992	49.3	2,256,002	43.1	4,437,089	52.2
Hispanic or Latino*	1,438	10.1	1,295,026	24.7	1,902,685	22.4
Black	4,291	30.2	1,239,171	23.7	1,443,074	17.0
Asian	1,224	8.6	352,123	6.7	564,622	6.6
Other	249	1.8	94,071	1.8	158,507	1.9

Source: 2015 American Community Survey, five-year estimates.

Universe: Total population.

*Includes Hispanic or Latino residents of any race

AGE COHORTS, 2015

	Community		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
19 and under	2,489	17.5	1,332,360	25.4	2,271,714	26.7
20 to 34	3,554	25.0	1,216,029	23.2	1,810,122	21.3
35 to 49	2,996	21.1	1,054,127	20.1	1,757,378	20.7
50 to 64	3,361	23.7	970,994	18.5	1,623,940	19.1
65 to 79	1,330	9.4	477,643	9.1	763,055	9.0
80 and Older	464	3.3	185,240	3.5	279,768	3.3

Source: 2015 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Total population.

HOUSEHOLD INCOME, 2015

	Community		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Less than \$25,000	1,572	21.8	463,890	23.9	611,519	19.9
\$25,000 to \$49,999	1,875	26.0	424,589	21.9	628,579	20.5
\$50,000 to \$74,999	1,441	20.0	328,904	16.9	525,203	17.1
\$75,000 to \$99,999	854	11.8	231,125	11.9	390,982	12.7
\$100,000 to \$149,999	874	12.1	258,409	13.3	469,634	15.3
\$150,000 and Over	591	8.2	236,042	12.1	441,677	14.4
Median Income	\$51,927		\$55,251		\$63,441	

Source: 2015 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Total households.

EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT, 2015

	Community		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
High School Diploma or Higher	10,147	92.5	3,016,875	85.3	4,930,208	87.0
Bachelor's Degree or Higher	5,068	46.2	1,265,223	35.8	2,095,647	37.0

Source: 2015 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Population 25 and older.

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HOUSING AND TENURE, 2015

	Community		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Occupied Housing Units	7,207	92.1	1,942,959	89.3	3,067,594	90.9
Owner-Occupied	3,755	52.1	1,107,485	57.0	1,964,992	64.1
Renter-Occupied	3,452	47.9	835,474	43.0	1,102,602	35.9
Vacant Housing Units	615	7.9	233,590	10.7	307,518	9.1

Source: 2015 American Community Survey five-year estimates. Universe: Total housing units.

HOUSING TYPE, 2015

	Community		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Single Family, Detached	1,766	22.6	873,073	40.4	1,687,381	50.4
Single Family, Attached	522	6.7	114,638	5.3	255,569	7.6
2 Units	979	12.5	213,338	9.9	237,396	7.1
3 or 4 Units	826	10.6	245,885	11.4	281,795	8.4
5 or more Units	3,729	47.7	714,143	33.0	886,515	26.5

Source: 2015 American Community Survey five-year estimates. Universe: Total housing units excluding mobile, boat, RV, van, etc.

HOUSING SIZE, 2015

	Community		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
0 to 1 Bedrooms	2,892	37.0	441,334	20.3	546,567	16.2
2 Bedrooms	3,025	38.7	692,164	31.8	968,317	28.7
3 Bedrooms	1,276	16.3	695,827	32.0	1,132,344	33.5
4 Bedrooms	527	6.7	261,922	12.0	573,487	17.0
5+ Bedrooms	102	1.3	85,302	3.9	154,397	4.6
Median Number of Rooms*	4.4		5.1		6.0	

Source: 2015 American Community Survey five-year estimates. Universe: Total housing units. *Includes all rooms.

HOUSING AGE, 2015

	Community		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Built 2000 or Later	473	6.0	184,204	8.5	415,030	12.3
Built 1970 to 1999	1,624	20.8	542,204	24.9	1,134,825	33.6
Built 1940 to 1969	2,725	34.8	777,968	35.7	1,049,851	31.1
Built Before 1940	3,000	38.4	672,173	30.9	775,406	23.0
Median Year Built	1955		1958		1967	

Source: 2015 American Community Survey five-year estimates. Universe: Total housing units.

HOUSING & TRANSPORTATION (H+T)* COSTS, PERCENT OF INCOME PER HOUSEHOLD

	Median-Income Family	Low-Income Single-Parent Family	Moderate-Income Retired Couple	Moderate-Income Family
Housing Costs	28.8	47.4	36.2	35.3
Transportation Costs	16.6	21.9	7.8	15.0
H + T Costs	45.4	69.3	43.9	50.3

Source: Location Affordability Index, U.S. Dept. of Transportation and U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development

*The purpose of the H+T Index is to isolate the effect of location on housing and transportation costs, grouped by common demographic characteristics that form four distinct household types. The values above represent the percent of household income that an average household within each of these types in the region would spend on housing and transportation if they lived in this county. The standard threshold of affordability is equal to 30 percent for housing costs and 45 percent for housing and transportation costs combined. For more information, visit www.locationaffordability.info/About_Data.aspx.

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EMPLOYMENT STATUS, 2015

	Community		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
In Labor Force	8,870	72.8	2,761,294	66.2	4,530,902	67.6
Employed*	7,970	89.9	2,463,655	89.2	4,089,665	90.3
Unemployed	890	10.0	296,577	10.7	428,995	9.5
Not In Labor Force	3,319	27.2	1,411,930	33.8	2,168,191	32.4

Source: 2015 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Population aged 16 and over.

*Does not include employed population in the Armed Forces.

PRIVATE SECTOR EMPLOYMENT, 2015*

	Community		Cook County		Six-County Region**	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Private Employment	5,785	N/A	2,176,451	N/A	3,433,003	N/A
Job Change (2005-15)	305	5.6	24,406	1.1	99,623	3.0
Private Sector Jobs per HH	0.80		1.12		1.13	

Source: Illinois Department of Employment Security (IDES).

*Figures exclude employees not covered by unemployment insurance.

**Kendall County is not included in IDES data.

EMPLOYMENT OF COMMUNITY RESIDENTS, 2014

EMPLOYMENT IN THE COMMUNITY, 2014

<i>By Industry Sector</i>	Count	Percent	<i>By Industry Sector</i>	Count	Percent
Health Care	1,186	17.7	Retail Trade	1,424	22.1
Education	645	9.6	Manufacturing	1,139	17.6
Retail Trade	622	9.3	Accommodation and Food	750	11.6
Professional	542	8.1	Administration	744	11.5
Accommodation and Food Service	502	7.5	Health Care	602	9.3

By Employment Location

By Residence Location

Chicago	2,556	38.2	Chicago	1,899	29.4
Forest Park	334	5.0	Forest Park	334	5.2
Oak Park	333	5.0	Berwyn	306	4.7
Broadview	168	2.5	Cicero	240	3.7
Maywood	154	2.3	Oak Park	188	2.9

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Longitudinal-Employer Household Dynamics Program.

MODE OF TRAVEL TO WORK, 2015

	Community		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
<i>Work at Home*</i>	502	N/A	102,231	N/A	183,368	N/A
Drive Alone	4,722	65.1	1,497,683	64.8	2,783,650	72.6
Carpool	336	4.6	208,944	9.0	333,064	8.7
Transit	1,936	26.7	444,730	19.2	515,377	13.4
Walk or Bike	250	3.4	130,257	5.6	160,132	4.2
Other	10	0.1	28,908	1.3	43,951	1.1
TOTAL COMMUTERS	7,254	100.0	2,310,522	100.0	3,836,174	100.0

Source: 2015 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

*Not included in "total commuters."

ANNUAL VEHICLE MILES TRAVELED (VMT) PER HOUSEHOLD, 2015*

	Community	Cook County	CMAP Region
Average Vehicle Miles Traveled	12,551	15,073	16,723

Source: CMAP analysis of US Census Bureau, HERE, Illinois Environmental Protection Agency and Illinois Secretary of State data.

*Estimates are made from input data from 2013-2016.

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GENERAL MERCHANDISE RETAIL SALES, 2016

	Community	Cook County	CMAP Region
Total Retail Sales*	\$326,041,986	\$70,705,972,394	\$125,192,928,993
Total Sales per Capita**	\$22,970	\$13,503	\$14,718

Source: Illinois Department of Revenue.

*Does not include qualifying food, drugs, and medical appliances.

**Per capita calculations based on population from 2015 ACS 5-year estimates.

EQUALIZED ASSESSED VALUE, 2015

		OPEN SPACE AND WALK SCORE	
Residential	\$203,624,246	<i>Open Space Acreage per 1,000 Residents</i>	
Commercial	\$61,174,394	Community	1.6
Industrial	\$23,736,087	Cook County	18.8
Railroad	\$550,240	Region	39.8
Farm	\$0	Walk Score*	N/A
Mineral	\$0		
TOTAL	\$289,084,967		

Source: Illinois Department of Revenue.

Source: CMAP calculations of 2013 Land Use Inventory; walkscore.com.

*Walk Score is a number between 0 and 100 that measures the average walkability of a municipality.

GENERAL LAND USE, 2013

	Acres	Percent
Single-Family Residential	198.3	12.9
Multi-Family Residential	140.6	9.1
Commercial	114.9	7.5
Industrial	89.9	5.9
Institutional	638.1	41.5
Mixed Use	11.0	0.7
Transportation and Other	319.5	20.8
Agricultural	N/A	N/A
Open Space	22.4	1.5
Vacant	2.3	0.1
TOTAL	1,537.1	100.0

Source: Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning Parcel-Based Land Use Inventory.

For More Information

Please direct inquiries to Jon Hallas, 312-386-8764 or JHallas@cmap.illinois.gov. To access other Community Data Snapshots for municipalities and counties in the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning's seven-county northeastern Illinois region, visit www.cmap.illinois.gov/data/metropulse/.



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