

# Community Data Snapshot | Thornton

## GENERAL POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS, 2015

	Community	Cook County**	CMAP Region
<b>Total Population</b>	2,615	5,236,393	8,505,977
<b>Total Households</b>	1,067	1,942,959	3,067,594
<b>Average Household Size</b>	2.4	2.6	2.7
<b>Population Change, 2000-10</b>	-9.5%	-3.4%	3.5%
<b>Median Age*</b>	40.3	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
<b>White</b>	2,038	77.9	2,256,002	43.1	4,437,089	52.2
<b>Hispanic or Latino*</b>	279	10.7	1,295,026	24.7	1,902,685	22.4
<b>Black</b>	242	9.3	1,239,171	23.7	1,443,074	17.0
<b>Asian</b>	39	1.5	352,123	6.7	564,622	6.6
<b>Other</b>	17	0.7	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
<b>19 and under</b>	624	23.9	1,332,360	25.4	2,271,714	26.7
<b>20 to 34</b>	522	20.0	1,216,029	23.2	1,810,122	21.3
<b>35 to 49</b>	430	16.4	1,054,127	20.1	1,757,378	20.7
<b>50 to 64</b>	593	22.7	970,994	18.5	1,623,940	19.1
<b>65 to 79</b>	294	11.2	477,643	9.1	763,055	9.0
<b>80 and Older</b>	152	5.8	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
<b>Less than \$25,000</b>	306	28.7	463,890	23.9	611,519	19.9
<b>\$25,000 to \$49,999</b>	267	25.0	424,589	21.9	628,579	20.5
<b>\$50,000 to \$74,999</b>	182	17.1	328,904	16.9	525,203	17.1
<b>\$75,000 to \$99,999</b>	152	14.2	231,125	11.9	390,982	12.7
<b>\$100,000 to \$149,999</b>	141	13.2	258,409	13.3	469,634	15.3
<b>\$150,000 and Over</b>	19	1.8	236,042	12.1	441,677	14.4
<b>Median Income</b>	\$45,650		\$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
<b>High School Diploma or Higher</b>	1,754	90.8	3,016,875	85.3	4,930,208	87.0
<b>Bachelor's Degree or Higher</b>	202	10.5	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
<b>Occupied Housing Units</b>	1,067	<b>93.6</b>	1,942,959	<b>89.3</b>	3,067,594	<b>90.9</b>
Owner-Occupied	818	76.7	1,107,485	57.0	1,964,992	64.1
Renter-Occupied	249	23.3	835,474	43.0	1,102,602	35.9
<b>Vacant Housing Units</b>	73	<b>6.4</b>	233,590	<b>10.7</b>	307,518	<b>9.1</b>

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
<b>Single Family, Detached</b>	929	82.4	873,073	40.4	1,687,381	50.4
<b>Single Family, Attached</b>	25	2.2	114,638	5.3	255,569	7.6
<b>2 Units</b>	50	4.4	213,338	9.9	237,396	7.1
<b>3 or 4 Units</b>	5	0.4	245,885	11.4	281,795	8.4
<b>5 or more Units</b>	118	10.5	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
<b>0 to 1 Bedrooms</b>	132	11.6	441,334	20.3	546,567	16.2
<b>2 Bedrooms</b>	241	21.1	692,164	31.8	968,317	28.7
<b>3 Bedrooms</b>	595	52.2	695,827	32.0	1,132,344	33.5
<b>4 Bedrooms</b>	146	12.8	261,922	12.0	573,487	17.0
<b>5+ Bedrooms</b>	26	2.3	85,302	3.9	154,397	4.6
<b>Median Number of Rooms*</b>	<b>5.7</b>		<b>5.1</b>		<b>6.0</b>	

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
<b>Built 2000 or Later</b>	0	0.0	184,204	8.5	415,030	12.3
<b>Built 1970 to 1999</b>	200	17.5	542,204	24.9	1,134,825	33.6
<b>Built 1940 to 1969</b>	692	60.7	777,968	35.7	1,049,851	31.1
<b>Built Before 1940</b>	248	21.8	672,173	30.9	775,406	23.0
<b>Median Year Built</b>	1956		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	29.2	47.4	37.8	35.8
Transportation Costs	22.1	31.3	13.0	21.2
<b>H + T Costs</b>	<b>51.2</b>	<b>78.7</b>	<b>50.8</b>	<b>57.1</b>

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](http://www.locationaffordability.info/About_Data.aspx).

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### EMPLOYMENT STATUS, 2015

	Community		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
<b>In Labor Force</b>	1,311	<b>63.2</b>	2,761,294	<b>66.2</b>	4,530,902	<b>67.6</b>
Employed*	1,145	87.3	2,463,655	89.2	4,089,665	90.3
Unemployed	166	12.7	296,577	10.7	428,995	9.5
<b>Not In Labor Force</b>	765	<b>36.8</b>	1,411,930	<b>33.8</b>	2,168,191	<b>32.4</b>

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
<b>Private Employment</b>	N/A	N/A	2,176,451	N/A	3,433,003	N/A
<b>Job Change (2005-15)</b>	N/A	N/A	24,406	1.1	99,623	3.0
<b>Private Sector Jobs per HH</b>	N/A		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
<b>Health Care</b>	91	15.4	<b>Accommodation and Food</b>	640	44.8
<b>Education</b>	62	10.5	<b>Manufacturing</b>	316	22.1
<b>Manufacturing</b>	61	10.4	<b>Construction</b>	173	12.1
<b>Public Administration</b>	56	9.5	<b>Public Administration</b>	56	3.9
<b>Retail Trade</b>	52	8.8	<b>Transportation</b>	48	3.4

#### *By Employment Location*

#### *By Residence Location*

<b>South Holland</b>	82	13.9	<b>Chicago</b>	364	25.5
<b>Thornton</b>	39	6.6	<b>Thornton</b>	39	2.7
<b>Chicago</b>	38	6.5	<b>Lansing</b>	33	2.3
<b>Harvey</b>	34	5.8	<b>Glenwood</b>	21	1.5
<b>Homewood</b>	31	5.3	<b>Tinley Park</b>	20	1.4

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>	36	N/A	102,231	N/A	183,368	N/A
Drive Alone	952	86.9	1,497,683	64.8	2,783,650	72.6
Carpool	110	10.0	208,944	9.0	333,064	8.7
Transit	8	0.7	444,730	19.2	515,377	13.4
Walk or Bike	26	2.4	130,257	5.6	160,132	4.2
Other	0	0.0	28,908	1.3	43,951	1.1
<b>TOTAL COMMUTERS</b>	1,096	<b>100.0</b>	2,310,522	<b>100.0</b>	3,836,174	<b>100.0</b>

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
<b>Average Vehicle Miles Traveled</b>	20,524	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*	\$17,516,159	\$70,705,972,394	\$125,192,928,993
Total Sales per Capita**	\$6,698	\$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	\$17,962,833	<i>Open Space Acreage per 1,000 Residents</i>	
Commercial	\$2,950,464	Community	48.7
Industrial	\$22,490,459	Cook County	18.8
Railroad	\$783,313	Region	39.8
Farm	\$0	Walk Score*	N/A
Mineral	\$0		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$44,187,069</b>		

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	172.1	11.3
Multi-Family Residential	3.5	0.2
Commercial	13.0	0.9
Industrial	925.8	60.9
Institutional	52.1	3.4
Mixed Use	2.8	0.2
Transportation and Other	204.2	13.4
Agricultural	12.0	0.8
Open Space	127.3	8.4
Vacant	8.3	0.5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,521.3</b>	<b>100.0</b>

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](mailto: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/](http://www.cmap.illinois.gov/data/metropulse/).



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