

**DRAFT Tracking Indicators: Economic Competitiveness**

<b>Category</b>	<b>Subcategory</b>	<b>Data Set</b>	<b>Rating</b>	<b>Positive Direction</b>	<b>Tracking</b>
<b>1 Income</b>	<b>1.1 Household</b> <i>Median family income</i>	<i>Census Summary File 1 (2000), American Community Survey (2006, 2010+)</i>	1	+	y
	<b>1.2 Poverty</b> <i># and % of population in poverty (breakout for &lt; 18 years of age)</i>	<i>Census Summary File 1 (2000), American Community Survey (2006, 2010+)</i>	1	-	y
	<b>1.3 Cost of Living</b> <i>Cost of Living Index (COLI)</i>	<i>Council for Economic and Community Research: ACCRA</i>	2	- or =	y
<b>2 Workforce</b>	<b>2.1 Employment</b> <i>Employment Rate</i>	<i>Illinois Department of Employment Security</i>	1	+	y
	<b>2.2 Workforce Development</b> <i>Number of adult participants in WD program who are employed in the first quarter after the exit quarter</i>	<i>Workforce Investment Area database (six common measures)</i>	2	+	TBD
<b>3 Assets</b>	<b>3.1 Property</b> <i>Commercial vacancy rate</i>	<i>coSTAR</i>	1	- or =	y
	<b>3.2 New Construction</b> <i>Number of commercial building permits issued</i>	<i>Building Permit Survey of the US Census Bureau</i>	2	+ or =	y
	<b>3.3 Agricultural Land</b> <i>Acres of land in farms</i>	<i>CMAAP Land Use Inventory</i>	1	= (or+)	y
<b>4 Business Environment</b>	<b>4.1 Private Investment</b> <i>Total number of private business loans</i>	<i>Cummunity Reinvestment Act Database</i>	1	+ or =	y
	<b>4.2 Taxing</b> <i>MSA Rank in Corporate Tax Burden</i>	<i>Total corporate tax burden/total households (Tax Foundation database)</i>	3	- or =	y
	<b>4.3 Productivity</b> <i>Gross Regional Product</i>	<i>Bureau of Economic Analysis</i>	3	+	y
	<b>4.4 Entrepreneurialism</b> <i>Small businesses retained after 2 years</i>	<i>Dunn and Bradstreet Database</i>	2	+	TBD
	<b>4.5 Import/Export</b> <i>Value (\$) of goods exported annually vs. value (\$) of goods imported annually</i>	<i>USA Trade Online</i>	1	+ (exports)	TBD
<b>5 Holistic</b>	<b>5.1 Equity</b> <i>Number and/or % of jobs located near affordable housing</i>	<i>Longitudinal Employer-Household Data (LEHD)</i>	1	+	y
	<b>5.2 Sustainability</b> <i>Degrees awarded (% in Math, Science, Technology or Engineering?)</i>	<i>The Education Trust: US DOE database</i>	1	+	y
	<b>5.3 Innovation</b> <i>Number of patents secured by Chicago MSA</i>	<i>US Patent and Trademark Office Database</i>	3	+	y