

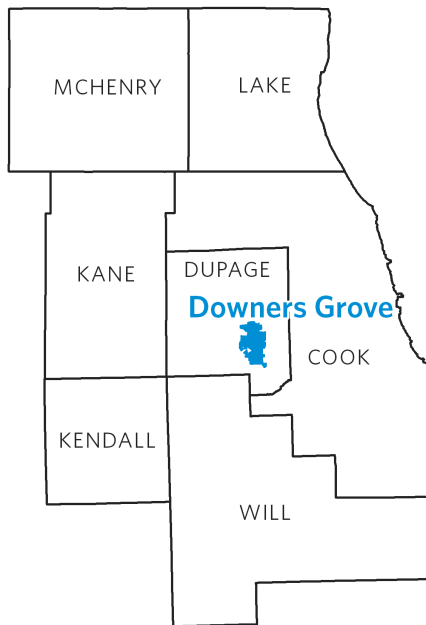


Downers Grove

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 Downers Grove, 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 Downers Grove.

General Population Characteristics, 2024

	Downers Grove	DuPage County	CMAP Region
Total Population	50,054	930,024	8,495,320
Total Households	20,662	350,758	3,301,388
Average Household Size	2.4	2.6	2.5
Percent Population Change, 2000-10	-1.8	1.4	3.5
Percent Population Change, 2010-24	4.6	1.4	0.8
Percent Population Change, 2000-24	2.7	2.9	4.3

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

Race and Ethnicity, 2020-2024

	Downers Grove		DuPage County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
White (Non-Hispanic)	40,493	80.9	578,175	62.2	4,070,419	47.9
Hispanic or Latino (of Any Race)	2,960	5.9	149,533	16.1	2,106,868	24.8
Black (Non-Hispanic)	1,376	2.7	45,054	4.8	1,341,618	15.8
Asian (Non-Hispanic)	2,819	5.6	120,470	13.0	668,971	7.9
Other/Multiple Races (Non-Hispanic)	2,406	4.8	36,792	4.0	307,444	3.6

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

Universe: Total population

Age Cohorts, 2020-2024

	Downers Grove		DuPage County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Under 5	2,896	5.8	51,582	5.5	462,655	5.4
5 to 19	9,038	18.1	176,647	19.0	1,610,678	19.0
20 to 34	7,517	15.0	169,825	18.3	1,751,152	20.6
35 to 49	9,547	19.1	185,377	19.9	1,707,049	20.1
50 to 64	10,566	21.1	185,353	19.9	1,612,962	19.0
65 to 74	6,286	12.6	96,085	10.3	803,224	9.5
75 to 84	3,065	6.1	46,884	5.0	388,880	4.6
85 and Over	1,139	2.3	18,271	2.0	158,720	1.9
Median Age	43.6		40.2		38.5	

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

Universe: Total population

Educational Attainment*, 2020-2024

	Downers Grove		DuPage County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Less than High School Diploma	1,375	3.8	45,564	7.0	608,225	10.3
High School Diploma or Equivalent	4,767	13.1	115,762	17.9	1,287,338	21.9
Some College, No Degree	6,138	16.9	103,711	16.0	1,039,489	17.7
Associate's Degree	2,915	8.0	46,506	7.2	417,149	7.1
Bachelor's Degree	12,311	33.9	198,581	30.7	1,493,459	25.4
Graduate or Professional Degree	8,856	24.4	136,817	21.1	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

	Downers Grove		DuPage County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Native	45,063	90.0	739,041	79.5	6,804,818	80.1
Foreign Born	4,991	10.0	190,983	20.5	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

	Downers Grove		DuPage County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
English Only	40,732	86.4	618,473	70.4	5,427,887	67.6
Spanish	1,388	2.9	100,897	11.5	1,526,595	19.0
Russian, Polish, or other Slavic Languages	1,147	2.4	34,251	3.9	288,316	3.6
Chinese (incl. Mandarin, Cantonese)	500	1.1	11,197	1.3	93,083	1.2
Tagalog (incl. Filipino)	268	0.6	10,125	1.2	76,863	1.0
Arabic	270	0.6	7,288	0.8	65,592	0.8
Korean	124	0.3	3,147	0.4	36,471	0.5
Other Asian Languages	407	0.9	22,388	2.5	119,487	1.5
Other Indo-European Languages	2,220	4.7	66,918	7.6	336,581	4.2
Other/Unspecified Languages	102	0.2	3,758	0.4	61,790	0.8
TOTAL NON-ENGLISH	6,426	13.6	259,969	29.6	2,604,778	32.4
Speak English Less than "Very Well"*	1,881	4.0	87,734	10.0	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

	Downers Grove		DuPage County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Number of People with a Disability	4,455	8.9	82,932	8.9	900,445	10.6
One Type of Disability Only	2,424	4.8	46,421	5.0	486,435	5.7
Two or More Types of Disability	2,031	4.1	36,511	3.9	414,010	4.9

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

Universe: Total population

Disability by Type, 2020-2024

	Downers Grove		DuPage County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Hearing Difficulty	1,489	3.0	22,836	2.5	214,075	2.5
Vision Difficulty	584	1.2	13,769	1.5	171,275	2.0
Cognitive Difficulty	1,401	2.8	28,753	3.1	334,479	3.9
Ambulatory Difficulty	1,998	4.0	37,723	4.1	437,316	5.1
Self-Care Difficulty	596	1.2	15,872	1.7	171,243	2.0
Independent Living Difficulty^{†*}	1,440	3.7	30,564	4.3	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

	Downers Grove		DuPage County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
0-17 with a Disability	498	1.0	6,483	0.7	66,935	0.8
18-64 with a Disability	1,773	3.5	36,488	3.9	436,241	5.1
65-74 with a Disability	701	1.4	16,053	1.7	166,015	2.0
75 and Over with a Disability	1,483	3.0	23,908	2.6	231,254	2.7

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

Universe: Total population

Health Insurance Coverage, 2020-2024

	Downers Grove		DuPage County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Uninsured	1,576	3.1	47,841	5.1	646,573	7.6
Uninsured and disabled	164	0.3	3,196	0.3	43,842	0.5

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

Universe: Total population

Household Size, 2020-2024

	Downers Grove		DuPage County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
1-Person Household	6,094	29.5	88,108	25.1	1,004,516	30.4
2-Person Household	7,598	36.8	117,585	33.5	1,018,513	30.9
3-Person Household	2,724	13.2	57,437	16.4	501,858	15.2
4-or-More-Person Household	4,246	20.5	87,628	25.0	776,501	23.5

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

Universe: Occupied housing units

Household Type, 2020-2024

	Downers Grove		DuPage County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Family	13,532	65.5	244,158	69.6	2,073,094	62.8
Single Parent with Child	1,034	5.0	20,294	5.8	255,272	7.7
Non-Family	7,130	34.5	106,600	30.4	1,228,294	37.2

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

Universe: Occupied housing units

Household Income, 2020-2024

	Downers Grove		DuPage County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Less than \$25,000	2,511	12.2	30,123	8.6	437,334	13.2
\$25,000 to \$49,999	1,971	9.5	37,571	10.7	468,081	14.2
\$50,000 to \$74,999	2,690	13.0	45,459	13.0	451,436	13.7
\$75,000 to \$99,999	2,080	10.1	44,496	12.7	406,073	12.3
\$100,000 to \$149,999	3,454	16.7	66,432	18.9	604,303	18.3
\$150,000 and Over	7,956	38.5	126,677	36.1	934,161	28.3
Median Income	\$115,114		\$112,096		\$93,091	
Per Capita Income*	\$67,928		\$58,189		\$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

	Downers Grove		DuPage County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
One or More Computing Devices	20,219	97.9	341,967	97.5	3,168,942	96.0
Smartphone(s) Only	835	4.0	17,046	4.9	265,765	8.1
No Computing Devices	443	2.1	8,791	2.5	132,446	4.0
Internet Access	20,013	96.9	338,632	96.5	3,122,435	94.6
Broadband Subscription	19,427	94.0	332,491	94.8	3,037,636	92.0
No Internet Access	649	3.1	12,126	3.5	178,953	5.4

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

Universe: Occupied housing units

Housing Occupancy and Tenure, 2020-2024

	Downers Grove		DuPage County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Occupied Housing Units	20,662	96.0	350,758	95.5	3,301,388	93.6
Owner-Occupied*	15,548	75.2	256,474	73.1	2,140,282	64.8
Renter-Occupied*	5,114	24.8	94,284	26.9	1,161,106	35.2
Vacant Housing Units	865	4.0	16,394	4.5	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

	Downers Grove		DuPage County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Less than \$20,000	1,807	9.0	19,182	5.6	284,351	8.9
Less than 20 Percent	0	0.0	126	0.0	4,916	0.2
20 to 29 Percent	111	0.6	653	0.2	16,165	0.5
30 Percent or More	1,696	8.4	18,403	5.4	263,270	8.2
\$20,000 to \$49,999	2,317	11.5	43,209	12.6	548,567	17.1
Less than 20 Percent	278	1.4	2,768	0.8	49,943	1.6
20 to 29 Percent	493	2.4	6,549	1.9	85,571	2.7
30 Percent or More	1,546	7.7	33,892	9.9	413,053	12.9
\$50,000 to \$74,999	2,609	12.9	44,818	13.0	445,688	13.9
Less than 20 Percent	630	3.1	8,173	2.4	104,246	3.2
20 to 29 Percent	832	4.1	14,087	4.1	144,885	4.5
30 Percent or More	1,147	5.7	22,558	6.6	196,557	6.1
\$75,000 or More	13,418	66.6	236,647	68.8	1,934,018	60.2
Less than 20 Percent	9,256	45.9	154,555	44.9	1,259,840	39.2
20 to 29 Percent	3,094	15.4	58,938	17.1	475,559	14.8
30 Percent or More	1,068	5.3	23,154	6.7	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	30	38
Transportation Costs	17	20
TOTAL H+T COSTS	48	58

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 Downers Grove.

Housing Type, 2020-2024

	Downers Grove		DuPage County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Single Family, Detached	13,344	62.0	214,447	58.4	1,744,963	49.5
Single Family, Attached	1,631	7.6	43,497	11.8	267,540	7.6
2 Units	115	0.5	2,481	0.7	225,323	6.4
3 or 4 Units	477	2.2	14,578	4.0	278,696	7.9
5 to 9 Units	949	4.4	23,725	6.5	272,436	7.7
10 to 19 Units	1,191	5.5	21,318	5.8	162,206	4.6
20 or More Units	3,672	17.1	45,720	12.5	545,750	15.5
Mobile Home/Other*	148	0.7	1,386	0.4	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

	Downers Grove		DuPage County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
0 or 1 Bedroom	3,422	15.9	47,881	13.0	596,223	16.9
2 Bedrooms	4,498	20.9	89,270	24.3	970,902	27.5
3 Bedrooms	6,662	30.9	117,412	32.0	1,149,073	32.6
4 Bedrooms	5,345	24.8	87,892	23.9	621,544	17.6
5 or More Bedrooms	1,600	7.4	24,697	6.7	189,638	5.4
Median Number of Rooms*	6.5		6.1		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

	Downers Grove		DuPage County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Built 2010 or Later	1,452	6.7	20,260	5.5	198,138	5.6
Built 1990 to 2009	3,542	16.5	87,640	23.9	768,316	21.8
Built 1970 to 1989	7,804	36.3	146,667	39.9	812,639	23.0
Built 1940 to 1969	6,831	31.7	93,209	25.4	1,020,505	28.9
Built Before 1940	1,898	8.8	19,376	5.3	727,782	20.6
Median Year Built	1974		1978		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 Downers Grove.

Vehicles Available per Household, 2020-2024

	Downers Grove		DuPage County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
No Vehicle Available	1,114	5.4	16,003	4.6	429,242	13.0
1 Vehicle Available	7,441	36.0	114,486	32.6	1,213,932	36.8
2 Vehicles Available	9,170	44.4	150,747	43.0	1,112,702	33.7
3 or More Vehicles Available	2,937	14.2	69,522	19.8	545,512	16.5

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

Universe: Occupied housing units

Mode of Travel to Work, 2020-2024

	Downers Grove		DuPage County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Work at Home*	5,999	23.8	102,250	21.5	783,713	18.5
Drive Alone	15,415	61.2	309,059	64.9	2,558,570	60.5
Carpool	1,139	4.5	32,240	6.8	328,727	7.8
Transit	1,871	7.4	18,921	4.0	344,109	8.1
Walk or Bike	631	2.5	8,463	1.8	151,058	3.6
Other	136	0.5	5,300	1.1	65,884	1.6
TOTAL COMMUTERS	19,192	76.2	373,983	78.5	3,448,348	81.5
Mean Commute Time (Minutes)	27.8		27.7		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

	Downers Grove	DuPage County	CMAP Region
Average Vehicle Miles Traveled per Year	14,983	15,938	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 Downers Grove.

Employment Status, 2020-2024

	Downers Grove		DuPage County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
In Labor Force	26,814	66.5	510,027	68.0	4,610,045	67.1
Employed†*	25,694	95.8	484,518	95.0	4,310,932	93.5
Unemployed*	1,080	4.0	25,150	4.9	284,304	6.2
Not in Labor Force	13,523	33.5	240,306	32.0	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

	Downers Grove		DuPage County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Private Sector Employment	52,105	N/A	567,973	N/A	3,607,704	N/A
Job Change, 2015-25	7,190	16.0	24,506	4.5	141,870	4.1
Job Change, 2005-25	12,572	31.8	48,132	9.3	259,486	7.7
Private Sector Jobs per Household**	2.52		1.62		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 Downers Grove Residents*, 2023

TOP INDUSTRY SECTORS	Count	Percent
1. Health Care	3,052	13.1
2. Professional	2,662	11.4
3. Education	2,469	10.6
4. Retail Trade	2,041	8.8
5. Manufacturing	1,555	6.7
TOP EMPLOYMENT LOCATIONS		
1. Chicago	5,148	22.1
2. Downers Grove	2,452	10.5
3. Naperville	1,002	4.3
4. Oak Brook	686	2.9
5. Westmont	552	2.4

Employment in Downers Grove*, 2023

TOP INDUSTRY SECTORS	Count	Percent
1. Health Care	14,393	26.9
2. Manufacturing	4,176	7.8
3. Professional	4,138	7.7
4. Accommodation and Food Service	4,041	7.6
5. Administration	3,801	7.1
TOP RESIDENCE LOCATIONS		
1. Chicago	6,829	12.8
2. Downers Grove	2,452	4.6
3. Naperville	2,080	3.9
4. Unincorporated DuPage County	1,631	3.0
5. Aurora	1,543	2.9

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 Downers Grove.

General Land Use, 2023

	Acres	Percent
Single-Family Residential	4,204.2	44.4
Multi-Family Residential	263.0	2.8
Commercial	912.9	9.6
Industrial	325.2	3.4
Institutional	557.2	5.9
Mixed Use	6.0	0.1
Transportation and Other	2,127.2	22.5
Agricultural	17.6	0.2
Open Space	943.3	10.0
Vacant	115.9	1.2
TOTAL	9,472.5	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 Downers Grove.

General Merchandise Retail Sales, 2025

	Downers Grove	DuPage County	CMAP Region
General Merchandise	\$1,590,227,607	\$27,690,357,156	\$169,979,000,000
Total Retail Sales	\$1,835,360,955	\$33,760,054,707	\$214,930,000,000
Total Sales per Capita*	\$36,668	\$36,300	\$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	\$2,609,115,689
Commercial	\$594,276,774
Industrial	\$114,200,379
Railroad	\$2,319,220
Farm	\$5,911
Mineral	\$0
TOTAL	\$3,319,917,973

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)	87.8	85.1	80.9
Hispanic or Latino (of Any Race)	3.6	4.6	5.9
Black (Non-Hispanic)	1.9	2.7	2.7
Asian (Non-Hispanic)	5.7	6.3	5.6
Other/Multiple Races (Non-Hispanic)	1.1	1.3	4.8

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	26.7	25.4	23.8
20 to 34	16.7	16.4	15.0
35 to 49	26.1	20.9	19.1
50 to 64	16.1	22.0	21.1
65 and Over	14.3	15.4	21.0
Median Age	39.1	41.8	43.6

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	7.0	4.1	3.8
High School Diploma or Equivalent	20.4	17.5	13.1
Some College, No Degree	20.3	18.6	16.9
Associate's Degree	6.0	6.5	8.0
Bachelor's Degree	28.3	31.1	33.9
Graduate or Professional Degree	18.1	22.2	24.4

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	90.3	90.0
Foreign Born	9.7	10.0

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	87.8	86.4
Spanish	2.7	2.9
Russian, Polish, or other Slavic Languages	1.8	2.4
Chinese (incl. Mandarin, Cantonese)	1.2	1.1
Tagalog (incl. Filipino)	0.6	0.6
Arabic	0.4	0.6
Korean	0.3	0.3
Other Asian Languages	0.8	0.9
Other Indo-European Languages	4.3	4.7
Other/Unspecified Languages	0.1	0.2
TOTAL NON-ENGLISH	12.2	13.6
Speak English Less than "Very Well"*	5.0	4.0

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	94.5	96.8
No Health Insurance	5.5	3.2

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	27.1	29.5
2-Person Household	31.9	36.8
3-Person Household	16.6	13.2
4-or-More-Person Household	24.4	20.5

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	69.3	65.5
Single Parent with Child	5.3	5.0
Non-Family	30.7	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	\$112,656	\$115,114

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	97.4	94.3	96.0
Owner-Occupied*	79.2	76.9	75.2
Renter-Occupied*	20.8	23.1	24.8
Vacant Housing Units	2.6	5.7	4.0

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	9.3	9.0
Less than 20 Percent	0.5	0.0
20 to 29 Percent	1.6	0.6
30 Percent or More	7.3	8.4
\$20,000 to \$49,999	18.0	11.5
Less than 20 Percent	3.6	1.4
20 to 29 Percent	3.9	2.4
30 Percent or More	10.5	7.7
\$50,000 to \$74,999	15.0	12.9
Less than 20 Percent	5.0	3.1
20 to 29 Percent	5.4	4.1
30 Percent or More	4.7	5.7
\$75,000 or More	55.8	66.6
Less than 20 Percent	35.0	45.9
20 to 29 Percent	14.1	15.4
30 Percent or More	6.7	5.3

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	64.0	62.0
Single Family, Attached	7.8	7.6
2 Units	0.7	0.5
3 or 4 Units	1.2	2.2
5 or More Units	26.2	27.0
Mobile Home/Other*	0.1	0.7

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	13.3	15.9
2 Bedrooms	22.8	20.9
3 Bedrooms	32.1	30.9
4 Bedrooms	25.6	24.8
5 or More Bedrooms	6.1	7.4
Median Number of Rooms*	6.4	6.5

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	5.9	5.4
1 Vehicle Available	30.6	36.0
2 Vehicles Available	46.9	44.4
3 or More Vehicles Available	16.6	14.2

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*	5.9	23.8
Drive Alone	74.2	61.2
Carpool	5.8	4.5
Transit	11.5	7.4
Walk or Bike	1.8	2.5
Other	0.9	0.5
TOTAL COMMUTERS	94.1	76.2
Mean Commute Time (Minutes)	28.8	27.8

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	68.3	66.5
Employed†*	93.1	95.8
Unemployed*	6.9	4.0
Not in Labor Force	31.7	33.5

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

CMAQ 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. CMAQ’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 Downers Grove*

Water Source(s): Lake Michigan (Shallow Groundwater)**

	2008 MGD***	2018 MGD***	Percent Change
Total Water Withdrawals	5.67	4.87	-14.1

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

	Downers Grove			CMAQ Region		
	2008	2018	Percent Change	2008	2018	Percent Change
Gallons per Capita per Day*	125.9	102.7	-18.4	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	\$56.19	\$55.09	-2.0	-0.3
Sewer	\$12.30	\$21.17	72.1	9.5
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: Downers Grove

	2017
Nonrevenue Water (Millions of Gallons per Day)**	0.42
Annual Cost of Nonrevenue Water	\$679,443
Percent of Nonrevenue Water to Water Supplied***	8.5

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.