

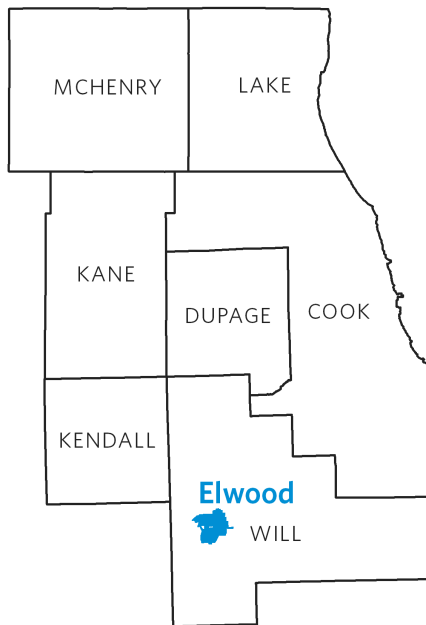


Elwood

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 Elwood, 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 Elwood.

General Population Characteristics, 2023

	Elwood	Will County	CMAP Region
Total Population	2,141	698,450	8,485,926
Total Households	921	241,310	3,276,096
Average Household Size	2.3	2.9	2.5
Percent Population Change, 2000-10	40.7	34.9	3.5
Percent Population Change, 2010-23	-6.1	3.1	0.6
Percent Population Change, 2000-23	32.2	39.1	4.2

Source: 2000 and 2010 Census, 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Race and Ethnicity, 2019-2023

	Elwood		Will County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
White (Non-Hispanic)	1,722	80.4	417,514	59.8	4,119,620	48.5
Hispanic or Latino (of Any Race)	277	12.9	134,835	19.3	2,077,117	24.5
Black (Non-Hispanic)	132	6.2	80,482	11.5	1,359,554	16.0
Asian (Non-Hispanic)	0	0.0	41,812	6.0	649,017	7.6
Other/Multiple Races (Non-Hispanic)	10	0.5	23,807	3.4	280,618	3.3

Source: 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Total population

Age Cohorts, 2019-2023

	Elwood		Will County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Under 5	122	5.7	38,558	5.5	475,109	5.6
5 to 19	299	14.0	147,779	21.2	1,624,391	19.1
20 to 34	476	22.2	128,022	18.3	1,742,314	20.5
35 to 49	313	14.6	143,906	20.6	1,704,607	20.1
50 to 64	567	26.5	141,755	20.3	1,627,982	19.2
65 to 74	211	9.9	60,431	8.7	784,080	9.2
75 to 84	90	4.2	27,755	4.0	371,447	4.4
85 and Over	63	2.9	10,244	1.5	155,996	1.8
Median Age	41.8		38.9		38.4	

Source: 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Total population

Educational Attainment*, 2019-2023

	Elwood		Will County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Less than High School Diploma	74	4.4	39,727	8.5	615,007	10.5
High School Diploma or Equivalent	717	42.9	120,047	25.7	1,290,688	22.0
Some College, No Degree	419	25.1	97,244	20.8	1,055,421	18.0
Associate's Degree	216	12.9	40,077	8.6	415,097	7.1
Bachelor's Degree	154	9.2	106,194	22.7	1,469,731	25.1
Graduate or Professional Degree	92	5.5	64,272	13.7	1,011,913	17.3

Source: 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.
 *Highest degree or level of school completed by an individual.

Universe: Population 25 years and older

Nativity, 2019-2023

	Elwood		Will County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Native	2,048	95.7	607,458	87.0	6,827,326	80.5
Foreign Born	93	4.3	90,992	13.0	1,658,600	19.5

Source: 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Total population

Language Spoken at Home and Ability to Speak English, 2019-2023

	Elwood		Will County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
English Only	1,819	90.1	516,385	78.3	5,434,701	67.8
Spanish	94	4.7	85,318	12.9	1,517,770	18.9
Slavic Languages	48	2.4	12,411	1.9	284,004	3.5
Chinese	0	0.0	4,015	0.6	92,694	1.2
Tagalog	0	0.0	5,001	0.8	75,308	0.9
Arabic	0	0.0	4,011	0.6	63,580	0.8
Korean	0	0.0	922	0.1	35,008	0.4
Other Asian Languages	0	0.0	8,142	1.2	116,634	1.5
Other Indo-European Languages	43	2.1	19,589	3.0	330,350	4.1
Other/Unspecified Languages	15	0.7	4,098	0.6	60,768	0.8
TOTAL NON-ENGLISH	200	9.9	143,507	21.7	2,576,116	32.2
Speak English Less than "Very Well"*	84	4.2	50,768	7.7	965,360	12.1

Source: 2019-2023 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, 2019-2023

	Elwood		Will County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Number of People with a Disability	418	19.5	66,836	9.6	878,107	10.3
One Type of Disability Only	241	11.3	36,084	5.2	470,370	5.5
Two or More Types of Disability	177	8.3	30,752	4.4	407,737	4.8

Source: 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Total population

Disability by Type, 2019-2023

	Elwood		Will County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Hearing Difficulty	113	5.3	17,218	2.5	209,497	2.5
Vision Difficulty	82	3.8	10,736	1.5	166,646	2.0
Cognitive Difficulty	180	8.4	24,924	3.6	321,997	3.8
Ambulatory Difficulty	210	9.8	31,466	4.5	435,950	5.1
Self-Care Difficulty	81	3.8	13,147	1.9	170,525	2.0
Independent Living Difficulty^{†*}	119	6.5	24,865	4.7	329,972	5.1

Source: 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Total population

[Click here](#) to 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, 2019-2023

	Elwood		Will County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
0-17 with a Disability	31	1.4	5,642	0.8	65,487	0.8
18-64 with a Disability	213	9.9	33,515	4.8	428,242	5.0
65-74 with a Disability	61	2.8	11,347	1.6	161,968	1.9
75 and Over with a Disability	113	5.3	16,332	2.3	222,410	2.6

Source: 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Total population

Health Insurance Coverage, 2019-2023

	Elwood		Will County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Uninsured	135	6.3	36,888	5.3	654,731	7.7
Uninsured and disabled	0	0.0	2,162	0.3	43,267	0.5

Source: 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Total population

Household Size, 2019-2023

	Elwood		Will County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
1-Person Household	259	28.1	50,670	21.0	985,617	30.1
2-Person Household	371	40.3	73,190	30.3	1,008,017	30.8
3-Person Household	201	21.8	44,604	18.5	504,018	15.4
4-or-More-Person Household	90	9.8	72,846	30.2	778,444	23.8

Source: 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Occupied housing units

Household Type, 2019-2023

	Elwood		Will County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Family	590	64.1	179,954	74.6	2,070,874	63.2
Single Parent with Child	34	3.7	18,736	7.8	257,654	7.9
Non-Family	331	35.9	61,356	25.4	1,205,222	36.8

Source: 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Occupied housing units

Household Income, 2019-2023

	Elwood		Will County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Less than \$25,000	73	7.9	20,611	8.5	439,439	13.4
\$25,000 to \$49,999	196	21.3	28,071	11.6	476,017	14.5
\$50,000 to \$74,999	210	22.8	32,158	13.3	458,143	14.0
\$75,000 to \$99,999	132	14.3	30,837	12.8	407,824	12.4
\$100,000 to \$149,999	103	11.2	53,300	22.1	601,803	18.4
\$150,000 and Over	207	22.5	76,333	31.6	892,870	27.3
Median Income	\$73,640		\$107,799		\$91,211	
Per Capita Income*	\$43,572		\$46,216		\$49,183	

Source: 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Occupied housing units

*Universe: Total population

Household Computer and Internet Access, 2019-2023

	Elwood		Will County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
One or More Computing Devices	882	95.8	232,991	96.6	3,123,104	95.3
Smartphone(s) Only	113	12.3	14,582	6.0	260,365	7.9
No Computing Devices	39	4.2	8,319	3.4	152,992	4.7
Internet Access	873	94.8	229,196	95.0	3,062,137	93.5
Broadband Subscription	866	94.0	224,935	93.2	2,976,465	90.9
No Internet Access	48	5.2	12,114	5.0	213,959	6.5

Source: 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Occupied housing units

Housing Occupancy and Tenure, 2019-2023

	Elwood		Will County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Occupied Housing Units	921	95.3	241,310	95.5	3,276,096	93.2
Owner-Occupied*	721	78.3	199,128	82.5	2,116,804	64.6
Renter-Occupied*	200	21.7	42,182	17.5	1,159,292	35.4
Vacant Housing Units	45	4.7	11,374	4.5	239,417	6.8

Source: 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Housing units
*Universe: Occupied housing units

Housing Costs as a Percentage of Household Income*, 2019-2023

	Elwood		Will County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Less than \$20,000	30	3.4	12,068	5.1	282,533	8.9
Less than 20 Percent	0	0.0	140	0.1	5,512	0.2
20 to 29 Percent	0	0.0	534	0.2	17,248	0.5
30 Percent or More	30	3.4	11,394	4.8	259,773	8.1
\$20,000 to \$49,999	197	22.5	32,880	13.9	562,059	17.6
Less than 20 Percent	18	2.1	3,069	1.3	53,141	1.7
20 to 29 Percent	87	9.9	6,015	2.5	92,118	2.9
30 Percent or More	92	10.5	23,796	10.1	416,800	13.1
\$50,000 to \$74,999	210	24.0	32,028	13.5	452,299	14.2
Less than 20 Percent	96	11.0	8,434	3.6	110,823	3.5
20 to 29 Percent	55	6.3	9,881	4.2	150,697	4.7
30 Percent or More	59	6.7	13,713	5.8	190,779	6.0
\$75,000 or More	438	50.1	159,535	67.5	1,891,958	59.3
Less than 20 Percent	319	36.5	103,876	43.9	1,236,129	38.8
20 to 29 Percent	86	9.8	40,689	17.2	470,193	14.7
30 Percent or More	33	3.8	14,970	6.3	185,636	5.8

Source: 2019-2023 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	25	31
Transportation Costs	20	24
TOTAL H+T COSTS	45	55

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 Elwood.

Housing Type, 2019-2023

	Elwood		Will County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Single Family, Detached	605	62.6	188,943	74.8	1,743,869	49.6
Single Family, Attached	171	17.7	28,611	11.3	267,616	7.6
2 Units	49	5.1	5,152	2.0	233,187	6.6
3 or 4 Units	52	5.4	6,113	2.4	276,611	7.9
5 to 9 Units	6	0.6	5,110	2.0	272,171	7.7
10 to 19 Units	8	0.8	6,586	2.6	158,373	4.5
20 or More Units	0	0.0	8,880	3.5	533,018	15.2
Mobile Home/Other*	75	7.8	3,289	1.3	30,668	0.9

Source: 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Housing units

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

Housing Size, 2019-2023

	Elwood		Will County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
0 or 1 Bedroom	28	2.9	15,121	6.0	584,858	16.6
2 Bedrooms	326	33.7	48,649	19.3	974,700	27.7
3 Bedrooms	459	47.5	100,094	39.6	1,154,991	32.9
4 Bedrooms	153	15.8	73,063	28.9	616,835	17.5
5 or More Bedrooms	0	0.0	15,757	6.2	184,129	5.2
Median Number of Rooms*	5.7		6.5		6.0	

Source: 2019-2023 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, 2019-2023

	Elwood		Will County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Built 2010 or Later	17	1.8	15,937	6.3	172,688	4.9
Built 1990 to 2009	502	52.0	120,017	47.5	764,770	21.8
Built 1970 to 1989	191	19.8	57,047	22.6	813,872	23.2
Built 1940 to 1969	162	16.8	42,030	16.6	1,032,806	29.4
Built Before 1940	94	9.7	17,653	7.0	731,377	20.8
Median Year Built	1991		1992		1970	

Source: 2019-2023 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 Elwood.

Vehicles Available per Household, 2019-2023

	Elwood		Will County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
No Vehicle Available	69	7.5	9,084	3.8	423,777	12.9
1 Vehicle Available	286	31.1	60,944	25.3	1,196,026	36.5
2 Vehicles Available	383	41.6	103,526	42.9	1,112,204	33.9
3 or More Vehicles Available	183	19.9	67,756	28.1	544,089	16.6

Source: 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Occupied housing units

Mode of Travel to Work, 2019-2023

	Elwood		Will County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Work at Home*	89	7.9	46,876	13.3	690,746	16.4
Drive Alone	908	81.0	262,187	74.3	2,616,122	62.0
Carpool	100	8.9	27,217	7.7	326,525	7.7
Transit	10	0.9	8,577	2.4	376,771	8.9
Walk or Bike	0	0.0	2,993	0.8	147,732	3.5
Other	14	1.2	5,184	1.5	64,598	1.5
TOTAL COMMUTERS	1,032	92.1	306,158	86.7	3,531,748	83.6
Mean Commute Time (Minutes)	30.2		31.7		30.9	

Source: 2019-2023 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

	Elwood	Will County	CMAP Region
Average Vehicle Miles Traveled per Year	N/A	19,442	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 Elwood.

Employment Status, 2019-2023

	Elwood		Will County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
In Labor Force	1,188	63.9	378,516	68.5	4,590,752	67.2
Employed†*	1,158	97.5	359,877	95.1	4,298,652	93.6
Unemployed*	30	2.5	18,332	4.8	278,175	6.1
Not in Labor Force	671	36.1	173,862	31.5	2,235,861	32.8

Source: 2019-2023 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*, 2024

	Elwood		Will County		6-County Region**	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Private Sector Employment	N/A	N/A	225,535	N/A	3,560,776	N/A
Job Change, 2014-24	N/A	N/A	46,840	26.2	179,601	5.3
Job Change, 2004-24	N/A	N/A	97,178	75.7	252,854	7.6
Private Sector Jobs per Household***	N/A		0.93		1.09	

Source: Illinois Department of Employment Security, Where Workers Work report (2024).

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

**Data is not available for Kendall County.

***Based on households from 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Employment of Elwood Residents*, 2022

TOP INDUSTRY SECTORS	Count	Percent
1. Health Care	152	13.5
2. Education	112	10.0
3. Manufacturing	100	8.9
4. Construction	95	8.5
5. Transportation	94	8.4
TOP EMPLOYMENT LOCATIONS		
1. Joliet	175	15.6
2. Chicago	112	10.0
3. New Lenox	53	4.7
4. Elwood	31	2.8
5. Bolingbrook	25	2.2

Employment in Elwood*, 2022

TOP INDUSTRY SECTORS	Count	Percent
1. Transportation	1,724	65.6
2. Professional	234	8.9
3. Manufacturing	187	7.1
4. Administration	125	4.8
5. Other Service	88	3.3
TOP RESIDENCE LOCATIONS		
1. Joliet	373	14.2
2. Chicago	188	7.2
3. Bolingbrook	43	1.6
4. Crest Hill	42	1.6
5. Romeoville	37	1.4

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Longitudinal Employer-Household Dynamics program (2022).

*Excludes residents working outside of, and workers living outside of, the seven-county CMAP region.

Land Use

The land use tables include general land use composition for Elwood.

General Land Use, 2020

	Acres	Percent
Single-Family Residential	274.2	3.1
Multi-Family Residential	1.1	0.0
Commercial	8.5	0.1
Industrial	449.4	5.1
Institutional	3,199.2	36.3
Mixed Use	0.2	0.0
Transportation and Other	1,738.9	19.7
Agricultural	1,239.0	14.0
Open Space	280.2	3.2
Vacant	1,634.5	18.5
TOTAL	8,825.1	100.0

Source: Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning analysis of the 2020 [Land Use Inventory](#).

Tax Base

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

General Merchandise Retail Sales, 2024

	Elwood	Will County	CMAP Region
General Merchandise	\$106,969,901	\$12,837,351,064	\$145,067,000,000
Total Retail Sales	\$108,908,101	\$15,621,215,626	\$183,977,000,000
Total Sales per Capita*	\$50,868	\$22,366	\$21,680

Source: Illinois Department of Revenue, 2024.

*Per capita calculations based on population from 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Equalized Assessed Value, 2023

Residential	\$55,355,725
Commercial	\$2,693,030
Industrial	\$370,657,910
Railroad	\$48,119,737
Farm	\$894,215
Mineral	\$0
TOTAL	\$477,720,617

Source: Illinois Department of Revenue, 2023.

Change Over Time

The time series tables include comparisons of current 2019-2023 ACS estimates to historic year estimates from the 2000 Census and 2009-2013 ACS. Historic data may not be available for municipalities that were incorporated after 2000.

Race and Ethnicity, Over Time

	2000 Percent	2009-2013 Percent	2019-2023 Percent
White (Non-Hispanic)	94.8	94.5	80.4
Hispanic or Latino (of Any Race)	4.0	3.0	12.9
Black (Non-Hispanic)	0.0	1.8	6.2
Asian (Non-Hispanic)	0.3	0.0	0.0
Other/Multiple Races (Non-Hispanic)	0.9	0.8	0.5

Source: 2000 Census; 2009-2013 and 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Total population

Age Cohorts, Over Time

	2000 Percent	2009-2013 Percent	2019-2023 Percent
19 and Under	27.1	25.9	19.7
20 to 34	22.5	16.3	22.2
35 to 49	21.7	21.9	14.6
50 to 64	15.1	21.9	26.5
65 and Over	13.5	14.0	17.0
Median Age	35.2	40.7	41.8

Source: 2000 Census; 2009-2013 and 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Total population

Educational Attainment*, Over Time

	2000 Percent	2009-2013 Percent	2019-2023 Percent
Less than High School Diploma	11.4	5.6	4.4
High School Diploma or Equivalent	48.4	40.0	42.9
Some College, No Degree	23.7	34.2	25.1
Associate's Degree	6.0	2.3	12.9
Bachelor's Degree	8.0	10.2	9.2
Graduate or Professional Degree	2.5	7.7	5.5

Source: 2000 Census; 2009-2013 and 2019-2023 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

	2009-2013 Percent	2019-2023 Percent
Native	100.0	95.7
Foreign Born	0.0	4.3

Source: 2009-2013 and 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Total population

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

	2009-2013 Percent	2019-2023 Percent
English Only	98.9	90.1
Spanish	0.5	4.7
Slavic Languages	0.3	2.4
Chinese	0.0	0.0
Tagalog	0.0	0.0
Arabic	0.0	0.0
Korean	0.0	0.0
Other Asian Languages	0.0	0.0
Other Indo-European Languages	0.2	2.1
Other/Unspecified Languages	0.0	0.7
TOTAL NON-ENGLISH	1.1	9.9
Speak English Less than "Very Well"*	0.2	4.2

Source: 2009-2013 and 2019-2023 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."

Household Size, Over Time

	2009-2013 Percent	2019-2023 Percent
1-Person Household	22.9	28.1
2-Person Household	35.4	40.3
3-Person Household	18.5	21.8
4-or-More-Person Household	23.2	9.8

Source: 2009-2013 and 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Occupied housing units

Household Type, Over Time

	2009-2013 Percent	2019-2023 Percent
Family	74.2	64.1
Single Parent with Child	8.4	3.7
Non-Family	25.8	35.9

Source: 2009-2013 and 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Occupied housing units

Household Income, Over Time

	2009-2013 (2023 Dollars)	2019-2023 (2023 Dollars)
Median Income	\$91,077	\$73,640

Source: 2009-2013 and 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Occupied housing units

Housing Occupancy and Tenure, Over Time

	2000 Percent	2009-2013 Percent	2019-2023 Percent
Occupied Housing Units	94.4	97.1	95.3
Owner-Occupied*	83.2	85.8	78.3
Renter-Occupied*	16.8	14.2	21.7
Vacant Housing Units	5.6	2.9	4.7

Source: 2000 Census; 2009-2013 and 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Housing units

*Universe: Occupied housing units

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

	2009-2013	2019-2023
	Percent	Percent
Less than \$20,000	8.7	3.4
Less than 20 Percent	0.0	0.0
20 to 29 Percent	0.6	0.0
30 Percent or More	8.1	3.4
\$20,000 to \$49,999	25.0	22.5
Less than 20 Percent	5.9	2.1
20 to 29 Percent	6.7	9.9
30 Percent or More	12.4	10.5
\$50,000 to \$74,999	20.2	24.0
Less than 20 Percent	6.0	11.0
20 to 29 Percent	8.5	6.3
30 Percent or More	5.7	6.7
\$75,000 or More	46.1	50.1
Less than 20 Percent	30.3	36.5
20 to 29 Percent	12.2	9.8
30 Percent or More	3.6	3.8

Source: 2009-2013 and 2019-2023 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

	2009-2013	2019-2023
	Percent	Percent
Single Family, Detached	69.0	62.6
Single Family, Attached	20.7	17.7
2 Units	2.0	5.1
3 or 4 Units	2.9	5.4
5 or More Units	1.9	1.4
Mobile Home/Other*	3.5	7.8

Source: 2009-2013 and 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Housing units

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

Housing Size, Over Time

	2009-2013	2019-2023
	Percent	Percent
0 or 1 Bedroom	7.5	2.9
2 Bedrooms	26.5	33.7
3 Bedrooms	48.4	47.5
4 Bedrooms	14.5	15.8
5 or More Bedrooms	3.2	0.0
Median Number of Rooms*	5.6	5.7

Source: 2009-2013 and 2019-2023 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

	2009-2013 Percent	2019-2023 Percent
No Vehicle Available	1.1	7.5
1 Vehicle Available	34.7	31.1
2 Vehicles Available	43.1	41.6
3 or More Vehicles Available	21.2	19.9

Source: 2009-2013 and 2019-2023 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Occupied housing units

Mode of Travel to Work, Over Time

	2009-2013 Percent	2019-2023 Percent
Work at Home*	3.0	7.9
Drive Alone	93.2	81.0
Carpool	2.4	8.9
Transit	1.4	0.9
Walk or Bike	0.0	0.0
Other	0.0	1.2
TOTAL COMMUTERS	97.0	92.1
Mean Commute Time (Minutes)	28.4	30.2

Source: 2009-2013 and 2019-2023 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

	2009-2013 Percent	2019-2023 Percent
In Labor Force	68.7	63.9
Employed ^{†*}	83.7	97.5
Unemployed*	16.3	2.5
Not in Labor Force	31.3	36.1

Source: 2009-2013 and 2019-2023 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 Elwood*

Water Source(s): Deep Groundwater**

	2008 MGD***	2018 MGD***	Percent Change
Total Water Withdrawals	0.28	0.16	-43.7

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

	Elwood			CMAP Region		
	2008	2018	Percent Change	2008	2018	Percent Change
Gallons per Capita per Day*	125.5	70.6	-43.7	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
	(2023 Dollars)	(2023 Dollars)		
Drinking Water	\$43.66	\$49.54	13.5	2.1
Sewer	\$36.55	\$35.70	-2.3	-0.4
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: N/A

	2017
Nonrevenue Water (Millions of Gallons per Day)**	N/A
Annual Cost of Nonrevenue Water	N/A
Percent of Nonrevenue Water to Water Supplied***	N/A

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.