

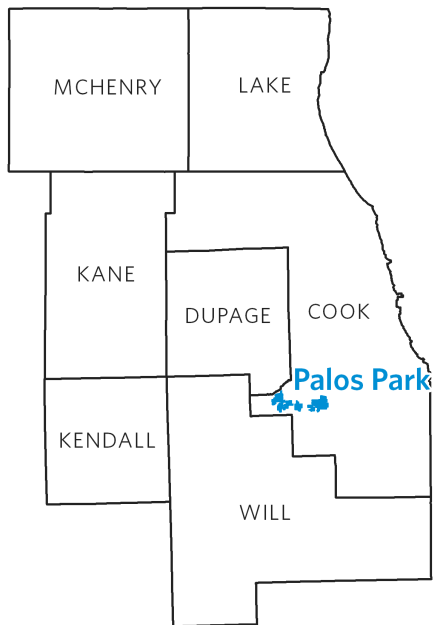


Palos Park

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 Palos Park, 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 Palos Park.

General Population Characteristics, 2023

	Palos Park	Cook County	CMAP Region
Total Population	4,832	5,185,812	8,485,926
Total Households	2,052	2,084,578	3,276,096
Average Household Size	2.3	2.4	2.5
Percent Population Change, 2000-10	3.4	-3.4	3.5
Percent Population Change, 2010-23	-0.3	-0.2	0.6
Percent Population Change, 2000-23	3.0	-3.6	4.2

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

Race and Ethnicity, 2019-2023

	Palos Park		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
White (Non-Hispanic)	4,258	88.1	2,102,352	40.5	4,119,620	48.5
Hispanic or Latino (of Any Race)	191	4.0	1,374,034	26.5	2,077,117	24.5
Black (Non-Hispanic)	186	3.8	1,148,288	22.1	1,359,554	16.0
Asian (Non-Hispanic)	71	1.5	397,936	7.7	649,017	7.6
Other/Multiple Races (Non-Hispanic)	126	2.6	163,202	3.1	280,618	3.3

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

Universe: Total population

Age Cohorts, 2019-2023

	Palos Park		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Under 5	73	1.5	290,804	5.6	475,109	5.6
5 to 19	698	14.4	942,302	18.2	1,624,391	19.1
20 to 34	286	5.9	1,143,289	22.0	1,742,314	20.5
35 to 49	617	12.8	1,043,420	20.1	1,704,607	20.1
50 to 64	1,317	27.3	959,690	18.5	1,627,982	19.2
65 to 74	1,109	23.0	477,139	9.2	784,080	9.2
75 to 84	445	9.2	227,541	4.4	371,447	4.4
85 and Over	287	5.9	101,627	2.0	155,996	1.8
Median Age	60.6		37.8		38.4	

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

Universe: Total population

Educational Attainment*, 2019-2023

	Palos Park		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Less than High School Diploma	148	3.7	423,440	11.7	615,007	10.5
High School Diploma or Equivalent	965	24.0	805,456	22.2	1,290,688	22.0
Some College, No Degree	711	17.7	635,142	17.5	1,055,421	18.0
Associate's Degree	226	5.6	243,855	6.7	415,097	7.1
Bachelor's Degree	866	21.6	884,983	24.4	1,469,731	25.1
Graduate or Professional Degree	1,101	27.4	638,210	17.6	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

	Palos Park		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Native	4,139	85.7	4,076,064	78.6	6,827,326	80.5
Foreign Born	693	14.3	1,109,748	21.4	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

	Palos Park		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
English Only	4,073	85.6	3,156,280	64.5	5,434,701	67.8
Spanish	110	2.3	1,028,255	21.0	1,517,770	18.9
Slavic Languages	305	6.4	204,908	4.2	284,004	3.5
Chinese	0	0.0	67,828	1.4	92,694	1.2
Tagalog	14	0.3	48,429	1.0	75,308	0.9
Arabic	154	3.2	48,573	1.0	63,580	0.8
Korean	0	0.0	25,306	0.5	35,008	0.4
Other Asian Languages	28	0.6	67,207	1.4	116,634	1.5
Other Indo-European Languages	75	1.6	200,215	4.1	330,350	4.1
Other/Unspecified Languages	0	0.0	48,007	1.0	60,768	0.8
TOTAL NON-ENGLISH	686	14.4	1,738,728	35.5	2,576,116	32.2
Speak English Less than "Very Well"*	265	5.6	678,937	13.9	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

	Palos Park		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Number of People with a Disability	597	12.4	575,412	11.1	878,107	10.3
One Type of Disability Only	262	5.4	301,884	5.8	470,370	5.5
Two or More Types of Disability	335	6.9	273,528	5.3	407,737	4.8

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

Universe: Total population

Disability by Type, 2019-2023

	Palos Park		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Hearing Difficulty	351	7.3	127,647	2.5	209,497	2.5
Vision Difficulty	125	2.6	115,252	2.2	166,646	2.0
Cognitive Difficulty	155	3.2	212,434	4.1	321,997	3.8
Ambulatory Difficulty	271	5.6	296,562	5.7	435,950	5.1
Self-Care Difficulty	54	1.1	114,826	2.2	170,525	2.0
Independent Living Difficulty^{†*}	205	5.1	222,523	5.5	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

	Palos Park		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
0-17 with a Disability	0	0.0	39,631	0.8	65,487	0.8
18-64 with a Disability	122	2.5	284,613	5.5	428,242	5.0
65-74 with a Disability	251	5.2	106,388	2.1	161,968	1.9
75 and Over with a Disability	224	4.6	144,780	2.8	222,410	2.6

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

Universe: Total population

Health Insurance Coverage, 2019-2023

	Palos Park		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Uninsured	251	5.2	460,523	8.9	654,731	7.7
Uninsured and disabled	3	0.1	31,253	0.6	43,267	0.5

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

Universe: Total population

Household Size, 2019-2023

	Palos Park		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
1-Person Household	549	26.8	714,789	34.3	985,617	30.1
2-Person Household	922	44.9	622,884	29.9	1,008,017	30.8
3-Person Household	299	14.6	301,503	14.5	504,018	15.4
4-or-More-Person Household	282	13.7	445,402	21.4	778,444	23.8

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

Universe: Occupied housing units

Household Type, 2019-2023

	Palos Park		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Family	1,432	69.8	1,211,099	58.1	2,070,874	63.2
Single Parent with Child	12	0.6	171,216	8.2	257,654	7.9
Non-Family	620	30.2	873,479	41.9	1,205,222	36.8

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

Universe: Occupied housing units

Household Income, 2019-2023

	Palos Park		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Less than \$25,000	335	16.3	335,740	16.1	439,439	13.4
\$25,000 to \$49,999	149	7.3	335,309	16.1	476,017	14.5
\$50,000 to \$74,999	243	11.8	297,564	14.3	458,143	14.0
\$75,000 to \$99,999	74	3.6	256,665	12.3	407,824	12.4
\$100,000 to \$149,999	438	21.3	356,146	17.1	601,803	18.4
\$150,000 and Over	813	39.6	503,154	24.1	892,870	27.3
Median Income	\$126,263		\$81,797		\$91,211	
Per Capita Income*	\$83,954		\$47,801		\$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

	Palos Park		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
One or More Computing Devices	1,869	91.1	1,968,569	94.4	3,123,104	95.3
Smartphone(s) Only	104	5.1	193,343	9.3	260,365	7.9
No Computing Devices	183	8.9	116,009	5.6	152,992	4.7
Internet Access	1,964	95.7	1,924,069	92.3	3,062,137	93.5
Broadband Subscription	1,918	93.5	1,859,300	89.2	2,976,465	90.9
No Internet Access	88	4.3	160,509	7.7	213,959	6.5

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

Universe: Occupied housing units

Housing Occupancy and Tenure, 2019-2023

	Palos Park		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Occupied Housing Units	2,052	92.9	2,084,578	91.8	3,276,096	93.2
Owner-Occupied*	1,846	90.0	1,198,834	57.5	2,116,804	64.6
Renter-Occupied*	206	10.0	885,744	42.5	1,159,292	35.4
Vacant Housing Units	156	7.1	185,771	8.2	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

	Palos Park		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Less than \$20,000	223	11.0	218,263	10.8	282,533	8.9
Less than 20 Percent	0	0.0	4,250	0.2	5,512	0.2
20 to 29 Percent	76	3.7	14,382	0.7	17,248	0.5
30 Percent or More	147	7.2	199,631	9.9	259,773	8.1
\$20,000 to \$49,999	249	12.3	398,059	19.7	562,059	17.6
Less than 20 Percent	0	0.0	37,868	1.9	53,141	1.7
20 to 29 Percent	38	1.9	65,658	3.3	92,118	2.9
30 Percent or More	211	10.4	294,533	14.6	416,800	13.1
\$50,000 to \$74,999	243	12.0	293,131	14.5	452,299	14.2
Less than 20 Percent	94	4.6	73,044	3.6	110,823	3.5
20 to 29 Percent	87	4.3	100,276	5.0	150,697	4.7
30 Percent or More	62	3.1	119,811	5.9	190,779	6.0
\$75,000 or More	1,313	64.7	1,109,052	54.9	1,891,958	59.3
Less than 20 Percent	827	40.8	721,788	35.8	1,236,129	38.8
20 to 29 Percent	337	16.6	274,744	13.6	470,193	14.7
30 Percent or More	149	7.3	112,520	5.6	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	39	48
Transportation Costs	19	22
TOTAL H+T COSTS	58	71

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 Palos Park.

Housing Type, 2019-2023

	Palos Park		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Single Family, Detached	1,555	70.4	903,365	39.8	1,743,869	49.6
Single Family, Attached	334	15.1	123,778	5.5	267,616	7.6
2 Units	76	3.4	210,311	9.3	233,187	6.6
3 or 4 Units	107	4.8	237,405	10.5	276,611	7.9
5 to 9 Units	7	0.3	221,216	9.7	272,171	7.7
10 to 19 Units	0	0.0	110,247	4.9	158,373	4.5
20 or More Units	129	5.8	445,051	19.6	533,018	15.2
Mobile Home/Other*	0	0.0	18,976	0.8	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

	Palos Park		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
0 or 1 Bedroom	158	7.2	472,519	20.8	584,858	16.6
2 Bedrooms	358	16.2	694,164	30.6	974,700	27.7
3 Bedrooms	864	39.1	713,742	31.4	1,154,991	32.9
4 Bedrooms	765	34.6	288,265	12.7	616,835	17.5
5 or More Bedrooms	63	2.9	101,659	4.5	184,129	5.2
Median Number of Rooms*	7.0		5.1		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

	Palos Park		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Built 2010 or Later	89	4.0	100,411	4.4	172,688	4.9
Built 1990 to 2009	510	23.1	318,777	14.0	764,770	21.8
Built 1970 to 1989	631	28.6	448,333	19.7	813,872	23.2
Built 1940 to 1969	749	33.9	768,365	33.8	1,032,806	29.4
Built Before 1940	229	10.4	634,463	27.9	731,377	20.8
Median Year Built	1974		1961		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 Palos Park.

Vehicles Available per Household, 2019-2023

	Palos Park		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
No Vehicle Available	60	2.9	374,197	18.0	423,777	12.9
1 Vehicle Available	642	31.3	860,388	41.3	1,196,026	36.5
2 Vehicles Available	1,005	49.0	597,381	28.7	1,112,204	33.9
3 or More Vehicles Available	345	16.8	252,612	12.1	544,089	16.6

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

Universe: Occupied housing units

Mode of Travel to Work, 2019-2023

	Palos Park		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Work at Home*	604	29.9	417,538	16.5	690,746	16.4
Drive Alone	1,245	61.5	1,426,145	56.2	2,616,122	62.0
Carpool	98	4.8	196,983	7.8	326,525	7.7
Transit	46	2.3	329,280	13.0	376,771	8.9
Walk or Bike	11	0.5	123,111	4.9	147,732	3.5
Other	19	0.9	42,804	1.7	64,598	1.5
TOTAL COMMUTERS	1,419	70.1	2,118,323	83.5	3,531,748	83.6
Mean Commute Time (Minutes)	31.4		31.9		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

	Palos Park	Cook County	CMAP Region
Average Vehicle Miles Traveled per Year	15,655	11,618	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 Palos Park.

Employment Status, 2019-2023

	Palos Park		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
In Labor Force	2,146	50.9	2,783,460	66.2	4,590,752	67.2
Employed†*	2,042	95.2	2,590,618	93.1	4,298,652	93.6
Unemployed*	104	4.8	191,304	6.9	278,175	6.1
Not in Labor Force	2,074	49.1	1,421,130	33.8	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

	Palos Park		Cook County		6-County Region**	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Private Sector Employment	N/A	N/A	2,232,926	N/A	3,560,776	N/A
Job Change, 2014-24	N/A	N/A	101,069	4.7	179,601	5.3
Job Change, 2004-24	N/A	N/A	83,524	3.9	252,854	7.6
Private Sector Jobs per Household***	N/A		1.07		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 Palos Park Residents*, 2022

TOP INDUSTRY SECTORS	Count	Percent
1. Health Care	276	13.9
2. Education	215	10.8
3. Retail Trade	196	9.9
4. Manufacturing	147	7.4
5. Professional	146	7.4
TOP EMPLOYMENT LOCATIONS		
1. Chicago	476	24.0
2. Orland Park	90	4.5
3. Palos Heights	71	3.6
4. Oak Lawn	48	2.4
5. Palos Park	46	2.3

Employment in Palos Park*, 2022

TOP INDUSTRY SECTORS	Count	Percent
1. Retail Trade	273	21.4
2. Health Care	231	18.1
3. Professional	144	11.3
4. Construction	118	9.2
5. Accommodation and Food Service	116	9.1
TOP RESIDENCE LOCATIONS		
1. Chicago	156	12.2
2. Orland Park	84	6.6
3. Palos Park	46	3.6
4. Oak Lawn	41	3.2
5. Tinley Park	31	2.4

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 Palos Park.

General Land Use, 2020

	Acres	Percent
Single-Family Residential	1,557.6	37.1
Multi-Family Residential	12.6	0.3
Commercial	38.7	0.9
Industrial	1.8	0.0
Institutional	113.3	2.7
Mixed Use	0.5	0.0
Transportation and Other	468.9	11.2
Agricultural	307.4	7.3
Open Space	1,381.6	32.9
Vacant	319.9	7.6
TOTAL	4,202.3	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 Palos Park.

General Merchandise Retail Sales, 2024

	Palos Park	Cook County	CMAP Region
General Merchandise	\$79,273,127	\$79,505,334,385	\$145,067,000,000
Total Retail Sales	\$114,948,815	\$103,073,000,000	\$183,977,000,000
Total Sales per Capita*	\$23,789	\$19,876	\$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	\$272,311,651
Commercial	\$39,280,154
Industrial	\$1,096,286
Railroad	\$190,327
Farm	\$137,856
Mineral	\$0
TOTAL	\$313,016,274

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)	95.2	92.8	88.1
Hispanic or Latino (of Any Race)	2.1	1.3	4.0
Black (Non-Hispanic)	0.3	0.7	3.8
Asian (Non-Hispanic)	1.7	4.0	1.5
Other/Multiple Races (Non-Hispanic)	0.7	1.1	2.6

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	23.4	16.9	16.0
20 to 34	10.0	10.9	5.9
35 to 49	22.2	14.5	12.8
50 to 64	25.2	26.6	27.3
65 and Over	19.3	31.1	38.1
Median Age	41.5	55.0	60.6

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	5.7	3.5	3.7
High School Diploma or Equivalent	23.8	18.9	24.0
Some College, No Degree	19.3	25.9	17.7
Associate's Degree	6.0	9.2	5.6
Bachelor's Degree	25.6	23.7	21.6
Graduate or Professional Degree	19.6	18.7	27.4

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	89.1	85.7
Foreign Born	10.9	14.3

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	84.7	85.6
Spanish	0.5	2.3
Slavic Languages	2.5	6.4
Chinese	0.0	0.0
Tagalog	0.0	0.3
Arabic	0.8	3.2
Korean	0.0	0.0
Other Asian Languages	0.0	0.6
Other Indo-European Languages	11.5	1.6
Other/Unspecified Languages	0.0	0.0
TOTAL NON-ENGLISH	15.3	14.4
Speak English Less than "Very Well"*	4.5	5.6

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	33.4	26.8
2-Person Household	43.2	44.9
3-Person Household	9.3	14.6
4-or-More-Person Household	14.1	13.7

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	64.6	69.8
Single Parent with Child	4.1	0.6
Non-Family	35.4	30.2

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	\$101,157	\$126,263

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	97.3	96.7	92.9
Owner-Occupied*	97.1	90.3	90.0
Renter-Occupied*	2.9	9.7	10.0
Vacant Housing Units	2.7	3.3	7.1

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	7.9	11.0
Less than 20 Percent	0.0	0.0
20 to 29 Percent	1.9	3.7
30 Percent or More	6.0	7.2
\$20,000 to \$49,999	26.2	12.3
Less than 20 Percent	2.7	0.0
20 to 29 Percent	5.8	1.9
30 Percent or More	17.7	10.4
\$50,000 to \$74,999	12.5	12.0
Less than 20 Percent	4.6	4.6
20 to 29 Percent	3.3	4.3
30 Percent or More	4.5	3.1
\$75,000 or More	52.8	64.7
Less than 20 Percent	23.1	40.8
20 to 29 Percent	15.4	16.6
30 Percent or More	14.2	7.3

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	71.6	70.4
Single Family, Attached	14.0	15.1
2 Units	0.5	3.4
3 or 4 Units	9.6	4.8
5 or More Units	4.2	6.2
Mobile Home/Other*	0.0	0.0

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	5.2	7.2
2 Bedrooms	22.5	16.2
3 Bedrooms	38.3	39.1
4 Bedrooms	27.9	34.6
5 or More Bedrooms	6.1	2.9
Median Number of Rooms*	6.9	7.0

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	4.9	2.9
1 Vehicle Available	27.5	31.3
2 Vehicles Available	44.9	49.0
3 or More Vehicles Available	22.7	16.8

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*	7.2	29.9
Drive Alone	73.6	61.5
Carpool	14.4	4.8
Transit	4.3	2.3
Walk or Bike	0.6	0.5
Other	0.0	0.9
TOTAL COMMUTERS	92.8	70.1
Mean Commute Time (Minutes)	32.8	31.4

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	57.0	50.9
Employed†*	91.9	95.2
Unemployed*	8.1	4.8
Not in Labor Force	43.0	49.1

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 Palos Park*

Water Source(s): Lake Michigan**

	2008 MGD***	2018 MGD***	Percent Change
Total Water Withdrawals	0.49	0.43	-12.3

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

	Palos Park			CMAP Region		
	2008	2018	Percent Change	2008	2018	Percent Change
Gallons per Capita per Day*	104.7	89.1	-14.9	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	\$57.18	\$74.60	30.5	4.5
Sewer	\$8.89	\$17.18	93.3	11.6
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: Palos Park

	2017
Nonrevenue Water (Millions of Gallons per Day)**	0.06
Annual Cost of Nonrevenue Water	\$99,319
Percent of Nonrevenue Water to Water Supplied***	14.3

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.