

CMAP
Community Data Snapshot | Park Forest

GENERAL POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS, 2016

	Community	Cook County**	CMAP Region
Total Population	21,831	5,227,575	8,501,507
Total Households	8,459	1,951,606	3,081,930
Average Household Size	2.5	2.6	2.7
% Population Change, 2000-10	-6.3	-3.4	3.5
% Population Change, 2010-16	-0.7	0.6	0.8
% Population Change, 2000-16	-7.0	-2.8	4.4

Source: 2000 and 2010 Census, 2016 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

**For municipalities located in more than one county, data provided is for the county containing the largest portion of the municipality.



RACE AND ETHNICITY, 2016

	Community		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
White non-Hispanic	5,639	25.8	2,241,001	42.9	4,414,726	51.9
Hispanic or Latino	1,370	6.3	1,300,843	24.9	1,914,044	22.5
Black non-Hispanic	13,895	63.6	1,232,816	23.6	1,436,860	16.9
Asian non-Hispanic	97	0.4	355,071	6.8	572,098	6.7
All other categories	830	3.8	97,844	1.9	163,779	1.9

Source: 2016 American Community Survey, five-year estimates.

Universe: Total population.

AGE COHORTS, 2016

	Community		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
19 and under	6,465	29.6	1,316,810	25.2	2,243,626	26.4
20 to 34	3,501	16.0	1,214,796	23.2	1,812,767	21.3
35 to 49	4,583	21.0	1,046,126	20.0	1,738,296	20.4
50 to 64	4,123	18.9	972,184	18.6	1,632,283	19.2
65 to 74	1,804	8.3	377,451	7.2	613,214	7.2
75 to 84	1,031	4.7	205,204	3.9	316,184	3.7
85 and Older	324	1.5	95,004	1.8	145,137	1.7
Median Age*	38.2		36.1		36.7	

Source: 2016 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Total population.

*Note that all regional medians were estimated using grouped frequency distributions.

HOUSEHOLD INCOME, 2016

	Community		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Less than \$25,000	2,476	29.3	456,075	23.4	601,256	19.5
\$25,000 to \$49,999	2,054	24.3	414,969	21.3	617,120	20.0
\$50,000 to \$74,999	1,357	16.0	325,112	16.7	516,512	16.8
\$75,000 to \$99,999	1,223	14.5	233,500	12.0	392,099	12.7
\$100,000 to \$149,999	1,061	12.5	269,196	13.8	484,440	15.7
\$150,000 and Over	288	3.4	252,754	13.0	470,503	15.3
Median Income	\$44,713		\$56,902		\$65,174	

Source: 2016 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Occupied housing units.

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EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT, 2016

	Community		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Less than High School Graduate	1,177	8.2	503,252	14.2	714,537	12.6
High School Graduate or Equivalency	3,374	23.5	839,916	23.7	1,322,237	23.3
Some College, No Degree	4,597	32.0	679,437	19.2	1,120,468	19.7
Associate's degree	1,353	9.4	230,565	6.5	390,333	6.9
Bachelor's Degree	2,458	17.1	775,888	21.9	1,300,121	22.9
Graduate or Professional Degree	1,391	9.7	517,630	14.6	838,350	14.7

Source: 2016 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Population 25 and older.

HOUSING AND TENURE, 2016

	Community		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Occupied Housing Units	8,459	90.5	1,951,606	89.6	3,081,930	91.2
Owner-Occupied*	5,233	61.9	1,105,168	56.6	1,959,620	63.6
Renter-Occupied*	3,226	38.1	846,438	43.4	1,122,310	36.4
Vacant Housing Units	890	9.5	225,736	10.4	297,034	8.8

Source: 2016 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

*Universe: Occupied housing units.

Universe: Total housing units.

HOUSING TYPE, 2016

	Community		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Single Family, Detached	5,396	57.7	874,907	40.2	1,692,480	50.1
Single Family, Attached	1,991	21.3	114,564	5.3	253,342	7.5
2 Units	267	2.9	211,843	9.7	236,321	7.0
3 or 4 Units	262	2.8	241,638	11.1	277,204	8.2
5 or more Units	1,407	15.0	718,925	33.0	893,514	26.4

Source: 2016 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Total housing units excluding mobile, boat, RV, van, etc.

HOUSING SIZE, 2016

	Community		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
0 to 1 Bedrooms	1,201	12.8	439,547	20.2	545,572	16.1
2 Bedrooms	3,038	32.5	694,276	31.9	970,924	28.7
3 Bedrooms	3,770	40.3	693,551	31.9	1,126,456	33.3
4 Bedrooms	1,213	13.0	264,646	12.2	580,797	17.2
5+ Bedrooms	127	1.4	85,322	3.9	155,215	4.6
Median Number of Rooms*	5.6		5.1		6.0	

Source: 2016 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

*Includes all rooms.

Universe: Total housing units.

HOUSING AGE, 2016

	Community		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Built 2000 or Later	398	4.3	186,929	8.6	422,506	12.5
Built 1970 to 1999	1,704	18.2	549,047	25.2	1,142,676	33.8
Built 1940 to 1969	7,008	75.0	780,125	35.8	1,049,835	31.1
Built Before 1940	239	2.6	661,241	30.4	763,947	22.6
Median Year Built	1957		1958		1967	

Source: 2016 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Total housing units.

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HOUSING & TRANSPORTATION (H+T)* COSTS, PERCENT OF INCOME PER HOUSEHOLD

	Median-Income Family	Low-Income Single-Parent Family	Moderate-Income Couple	Retired	Moderate-Income Family
Housing Costs	27.6	45.9	35.0		33.8
Transportation Costs	21.6	30.7	12.5		20.7
H + T Costs	49.2	76.5	47.4		54.5

Source: Location Affordability Index, U.S. Dept. of Transportation and U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development

*The purpose of the H+T Index is to isolate the effect of location on housing and transportation costs, grouped by common demographic characteristics that form four distinct household types. The values above represent the percent of household income that an average household within each of these types in the region would spend on housing and transportation if they lived in this county. The standard threshold of affordability is equal to 30 percent for housing costs and 45 percent for housing and transportation costs combined. For more information, visit <https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/location-affordability-index/>.

EMPLOYMENT STATUS, 2016

	Community		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
In Labor Force	10,488	63.1	2,759,566	66.1	4,530,920	67.5
Employed(1)*	8,805	84.0	2,492,088	90.3	4,137,033	91.3
Unemployed*	1,674	16.0	266,397	9.7	381,643	8.4
Not In Labor Force	6,141	36.9	1,413,506	33.9	2,181,954	32.5

Source: 2016 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

(1) Does not include employed population in the Armed Forces.

Universe: Population aged 16 and over.

*Universe: In Labor Force

PRIVATE SECTOR EMPLOYMENT, 2017*

	Community		Cook County		Six-County Region**	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Private Employment	773	N/A	2,246,987	N/A	3,555,979	N/A
Job Change (2001-11)	-755	-45.3	-285,219	-12.3	-296,468	-8.5
Job Change (2011-17)	-140	-15.3	209,390	10.3	363,553	11.4
Job Change (2001-17)	-895	-53.7	-75,829	-3.3	67,085	1.9
Private Sector Jobs per HH	0.09		1.15		1.15	

Source: Illinois Department of Employment Security (IDES).

*Figures exclude employees not covered by unemployment insurance.

**Kendall County is not included in IDES data.

EMPLOYMENT OF COMMUNITY RESIDENTS, 2015

EMPLOYMENT IN THE COMMUNITY, 2015

By Industry Sector			By Industry Sector		
	Count	Percent		Count	Percent
Health Care	1,637	19.6	Health Care	3,093	65.9
Education	1,007	12.1	Education	598	12.7
Retail Trade	891	10.7	Retail Trade	235	5.0
Manufacturing	701	8.4	Public Administration	217	4.6
Accommodation and Food Service	586	7.0	Accommodation and Food	122	2.6
By Employment Location			By Residence Location		
Chicago	2,059	24.7	Chicago	1,045	22.3
Chicago Heights	415	5.0	Park Forest	299	6.4
Park Forest	299	3.6	Chicago Heights	196	4.2
Matteson	237	2.8	Matteson	102	2.2
University Park	200	2.4	Richton Park	102	2.2

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Longitudinal-Employer Household Dynamics Program.

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MODE OF TRAVEL TO WORK, 2016

	Community		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Work at Home*	191	N/A	107,374	N/A	194,259	N/A
Drive Alone	6,478	77.1	1,513,861	64.8	2,813,343	72.6
Carpool	797	9.5	203,847	8.7	327,567	8.5
Transit	896	10.7	453,217	19.4	524,527	13.5
Walk or Bike	76	0.9	133,146	5.7	163,011	4.2
Other	151	1.8	30,811	1.3	45,348	1.2
TOTAL COMMUTERS	8,398	100.0	2,334,882	100.0	3,873,796	100.0
Mean Commute Time	32.9		32.6		N/A	

Source: 2016 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

*Not included in "total commuters."

Universe: Workers 16 years and older.

ANNUAL VEHICLE MILES TRAVELED (VMT) PER HOUSEHOLD, 2016

	Community	Cook County	CMAP Region
Average Vehicle Miles Traveled	17,844	15,073	16,723

Source: CMAP analysis of US Census Bureau, HERE, and Illinois Environmental Protection Agency data.

VEHICLES AVAILABLE, 2016

	Community		Cook County		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
No Vehicle Available	914	10.8	348,198	17.8	394,381	12.8
1 Vehicle Available	4,383	51.8	793,776	40.7	1,106,996	35.9
2 Vehicles Available	2,487	29.4	587,226	30.1	1,094,644	35.5
3 or More Vehicles Available	675	8.0	222,406	11.4	485,909	15.8

Source: 2016 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Occupied housing units.

GENERAL MERCHANDISE RETAIL SALES, 2017

	Community	Cook County	CMAP Region
Total Retail Sales*	\$29,188,742	\$71,329,621,416	\$126,927,851,088
Total Sales per Capita**	\$1,337	\$13,645	\$14,930

Source: Illinois Department of Revenue, 2017.

*Does not include qualifying food, drugs, and medical appliances.

**Per capita calculations based on population from 2016 ACS 5-year estimates.

EQUALIZED ASSESSED VALUE (2017), PARK ACCESS (2013) AND WALK SCORE (2016)

Residential	\$108,843,122	Accessible Park Acreage per 1,000 Residents*	
Commercial	\$15,061,012		
Industrial	\$3,035,742	Community	13.7
Railroad	\$679,946	Cook County	3.5
Farm	\$0	Region	5.6
Mineral	\$0	Walk Score**	34.0
TOTAL	\$127,619,822		

Source: Illinois Department of Revenue, 2017.

CMAP calculations of 2013 Land Use Inventory,
2016 American Community Survey

*Neighborhood parks (under 35 acres) are considered accessible by residents living within 0.5 miles; community parks (35 or more acres) are considered accessible by residents living within 1 mile.

**Walk Score is a number between 0 and 100 that measures the average walkability of a municipality; walkscore.com (2016).

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GENERAL LAND USE, 2013

	Acres	Percent
Single-Family Residential	1,366.4	43.0
Multi-Family Residential	182.5	5.7
Commercial	71.5	2.3
Industrial	31.6	1.0
Institutional	216.6	6.8
Mixed Use	1.2	0.0
Transportation and Other	694.1	21.9
Agricultural	3.7	0.1
Open Space	454.6	14.3
Vacant	153.7	4.8
TOTAL	3,176.1	100.0

Source: Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning Parcel-Based Land Use Inventory.

HOUSEHOLD SIZE, 2016

	Community		Cook County	CMAP Region
	Count	Percent	Percent	Percent
1 Person Household	3,018	35.7	32.4	28.6
2 People Household	2,324	27.5	29.4	30.0
3 People Household	1,302	15.4	15.1	15.8
4 or more People Household	1,815	21.5	23.1	25.6
Total Households	8,459		1,951,606	3,081,930

Source: 2016 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Occupied housing units.

HOUSEHOLD TYPE, 2016

	Community		Cook County	CMAP Region
	Count	Percent	Percent	Percent
Family	5,154	60.9	60.8	65.4
Single Parent with Child	1,401	16.6	9.3	8.7
Non-Family	3,305	39.1	39.2	34.6

Source: 2016 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Occupied housing units.

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HOUSING COSTS AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME, 2016

	Community		Cook County	CMAP Region
	Count	Percent	Percent	Percent
Less than \$20,000	1,733	20.5	15.8	13.0
Less than 20 percent	50	0.6	0.4	0.4
20 to 29 percent	137	1.6	1.2	0.9
30 percent or more	1,546	18.3	14.1	11.7
\$20,000 to \$49,999	2,502	29.6	25.9	24.1
Less than 20 percent	589	7.0	3.1	2.8
20 to 29 percent	537	6.3	6.2	5.6
30 percent or more	1,376	16.3	16.6	15.7
\$50,000 to \$74,999	1,340	15.8	16.5	16.6
Less than 20 percent	574	6.8	5.8	5.5
20 to 29 percent	454	5.4	5.6	5.6
30 percent or more	312	3.7	5.1	5.5
\$75,000 or More	2,547	30.1	38.5	43.5
Less than 20 percent	1,960	23.2	25.4	28.0
20 to 29 percent	411	4.9	9.7	11.4
30 percent or more	176	2.1	3.4	4.0

Source: 2016 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Occupied housing units.

NATIVITY, 2016

	Community		Cook County	CMAP Region
	Count	Percent	Percent	Percent
Native	19,904	95.8	77.6	79.7
Foreign Born	869	4.2	22.4	20.3

Source: 2016 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Population 5 years and older.

LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME AND ABILITY TO SPEAK ENGLISH, 2016

	Community		Cook County	CMAP Region
	Count	Percent	Percent	Percent
English Only	19,131	92.1	65.1	69.0
Language Other than English	1,642	7.9	34.9	31.0
Speak English less than "very well"	300	1.4	14.4	12.5

Source: 2016 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Population 5 years and older.

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LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME, 2016

	Community		Cook County	CMAP Region
	Count	Percent	Percent	Percent
English	19,131	92.1	65.1	69.0
Spanish	992	4.8	20.6	18.3
Slavic	34	0.2	4.3	3.5
Chinese	53	0.3	1.3	1.1
Tagalog	141	0.7	1.0	0.9
Arabic	88	0.4	0.9	0.7
Korean	0	0.0	0.6	0.5
Other Asian Languages	15	0.1	1.3	1.2
Other Indo-European Languages	170	0.8	4.1	4.1
Other / Unspecified Languages	149	1	0.9	0.7

Source: 2016 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Population 5 years and older.

RACE AND ETHNICITY

	2000	2010	2016
	Percent	Percent	Percent
White non-Hispanic	52.9	34.6	25.8
Hispanic or Latino	5.0	6.2	6.3
Black non-Hispanic	39.0	56.1	63.6
Asian non-Hispanic	0.8	1.1	0.4
All other categories	2.3	2.0	3.8

Source: 2000 Census, 2010, 2016 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Total population.

AGE COHORTS

	2000	2010	2016
	Percent	Percent	Percent
19 and under	29.3	27.6	29.6
20 to 34	19.8	19.2	16.0
35 to 49	24.1	21.1	21.0
50 to 64	15.2	20.9	18.9
65 and Older	11.5	11.4	14.5
Median Age	35.6	36.9	38.0

Source: 2000 Census, 2010, 2016 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Total population.

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HOUSEHOLD INCOME

	2010 (In 2016 Dollars)	2016 (In 2016 Dollars)
Median Income*	\$48,291	\$44,713

Source: 2010, 2016 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Occupied housing units.

* Adjusted for inflation

EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT

	2000 Percent	2010 Percent	2016 Percent
Less than High School Graduate	11.6	12.4	8.2
High School Graduate or Equivalency	25.1	27.2	23.5
Some College, No Degree	28.8	27.5	32.0
Associate's degree	7.5	8.6	9.4
Bachelor's Degree	16.7	13.4	17.1
Graduate or Professional Degree	10.3	11.0	9.7

Source: 2000 Census, 2010, 2016 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Population 25 and older.

HOUSING AND TENURE

	2000 Percent	2010 Percent	2016 Percent
Occupied Housing Units	96.5	89.7	90.5
Owner-Occupied*	74.4	69.0	61.9
Renter-Occupied*	25.6	31.0	38.1
Vacant Housing Units	3.5	10.3	9.5

Source: 2000 Census, 2010, 2016 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Total housing units.

*Universe: Occupied housing units.

HOUSING TYPE

	2010 Percent	2016 Percent
Single Family, Detached	58.2	57.7
Single Family, Attached	20.6	21.3
2 Units	3.1	2.9
3 or 4 Units	3.4	2.8
5 or more Units	14.7	15.0

Source: 2010, 2016 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Total housing units.

Excludes mobile, boat, RV, van, etc.

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HOUSING SIZE

	2010 Percent	2016 Percent
0 to 1 Bedrooms	9.2	12.8
2 Bedrooms	35.5	32.5
3 Bedrooms	39.1	40.3
4 Bedrooms	14.5	13.0
5+ Bedrooms	1.7	1.4
Median Number of Rooms*	5.6	5.6

Source: 2010, 2016 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Total housing units.

*Includes all rooms.

HOUSING AGE

	2010 Percent	2016 Percent
Built 2000 or Later	3.5	4.3
Built 1970 to 1999	12.2	18.2
Built 1940 to 1969	81.8	75.0
Built Before 1940	2.5	2.6
Median Year Built	1956	1957

Source: 2010, 2016 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Total housing units.

EMPLOYMENT STATUS

	2010 Percent	2016 Percent
In Labor Force	66.3	63.1
Employed(1)*	88.6	84.0
Unemployed*	11.3	16.0
Not In Labor Force	33.7	36.9

Source: 2010, 2016 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Population aged 16 and over.

(1) Does not include employed population in the Armed Forces.

*Universe: In Labor Force

VEHICLES AVAILABLE

	2010 Percent	2016 Percent
No Vehicle Available	8.3	10.8
1 Vehicle Available	45.8	51.8
2 Vehicles Available	34.0	29.4
3 or More Vehicles Available	11.9	8.0

Source: 2010, 2016 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Occupied housing units.

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MODE OF TRAVEL TO WORK

	2010 Percent	2016 Percent
<i>Work at Home*</i>	N/A	N/A
Drive Alone	76.8	77.1
Carpool	10.3	9.5
Transit	12.0	10.7
Walk or Bike	0.7	0.9
Other	0.3	1.8
TOTAL COMMUTERS	9,778	8,398
Mean Commute Time	33.6	32.9

Source: 2010, 2016 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Workers 16 years and older.

*Not included in "total commuters."

HOUSEHOLD SIZE

	2010 Percent	2016 Percent
1 Person Household	35.0	35.7
2 People Household	28.8	27.5
3 People Household	15.1	15.4
4 or more People Household	21.1	21.5
Total Households	8,768	8,459

Source: 2010, 2016 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Occupied housing units.

HOUSEHOLD TYPE

	2010 Percent	2016 Percent
Family	60.7	60.9
Single Parent with Child	14.3	16.6
Non-Family	39.3	39.1

Source: 2010, 2016 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Occupied housing units.

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HOUSING COSTS AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME

	2010 Percent	2016 Percent
Less than \$20,000	16.8	20.5
Less than 20 percent	0.1	0.6
20 to 29 percent	1.9	1.6
30 percent or more	14.8	18.3
\$20,000 to \$49,999	34.5	29.6
Less than 20 percent	7.1	7.0
20 to 29 percent	8.8	6.3
30 percent or more	18.5	16.3
\$50,000 to \$74,999	21.8	15.8
Less than 20 percent	7.2	6.8
20 to 29 percent	8.2	5.4
30 percent or more	6.4	3.7
\$75,000 or More	25.0	30.1
Less than 20 percent	16.9	23.2
20 to 29 percent	6.7	4.9
30 percent or more	1.4	2.1

Source: 2010, 2016 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Occupied housing units.

NATIVITY

	2010 Percent	2016 Percent
Native	96.5	95.8
Foreign Born	3.5	4.2

Source: 2010, 2016 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Population 5 years and older.

LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME AND ABILITY TO SPEAK ENGLISH

	2010 Percent	2016 Percent
English Only	94.2	92.1
Language Other than English	5.8	7.9
Speak English less than "very well"	1.1	1.4

Source: 2010, 2016 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Population 5 years and older

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LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME

	2010 Percent	2016 Percent
English	94.2	92.1
Spanish	4.6	4.8
Slavic	0.0	0.2
Chinese	0.1	0.3
Tagalog	0.1	0.7
Arabic	0.1	0.4
Korean	0.0	0.0
Other Asian Languages	0.0	0.1
Other Indo-European Languages	0.6	0.8
Other / Unspecified Languages	0.3	0.7

Source: 2010, 2016 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Population 5 years and older.

For More Information

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