



COMMUNITY DATA SNAPSHOT
RIVERDALE, CHICAGO COMMUNITY AREA
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About The Community Data Snapshot

The Community Data Snapshots are a series of County, Municipal, and Chicago Community Area data profiles that primarily feature data from the 2013-2017 American Community Survey (ACS) 5-Year Estimates. As noted in each profile, the data comes from multiple sources in addition to the ACS, which include U.S. Census Bureau, Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Illinois Department of Employment Security (IDES), Illinois Department of Revenue (IDR), and the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP).

User Notes

Margin of error

ACS is a sample-based data product. Exercise caution when using data from low-population municipalities, as the margins of error are often large compared to the estimate. For more details please refer to the [ACS Sample Size and Data Quality Methodology](#).

Regional values

Regional values are estimated by aggregating 2013-2017 ACS county level data of the seven counties that make up the CMAP region. These counties are Cook, DuPage, Kane, Kendall, Lake, McHenry, and Will.

Chicago Community Area (CCA) values

CCA values are estimated by aggregating 2013-2017 ACS census tract and blockgroup level data.

Median values

The Census Bureau encourages users to aggregate small levels of geographies into larger areas and recalculate median values for those aggregated areas. Median values are recalculated using grouped frequency distributions for aggregated areas such as the CMAP region and CCAs.

Employment values

The Private Sector Employment table features data from the IDES Where Workers Work report. This report includes private sector employment totals for six counties within the seven-county CMAP region, excluding Kendall County.



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POPULATION AND HOUSEHOLD

The population and household tables include general demographic, social, and economic characteristics summarized for Riverdale.

GENERAL POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS, 2013-2017

	Riverdale	City of Chicago	CMAP Region
Total Population	7,394	2,722,586	8,522,948
Total Households	2,428	1,046,789	3,095,093
Average Household Size	3.0	2.6	2.8
% Population Change, 2000-10	-33.9	-6.9	3.5
% Population Change, 2010-17	14.1	1.0	1.1
% Population Change, 2000-17	-24.6	-6.0	4.6

Source: 2000 and 2010 Census, 2013-2017 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

RACE AND ETHNICITY, 2013-2017

	Riverdale		City of Chicago		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
White non-Hispanic	151	2.0	890,322	32.7	4,400,011	51.6
Hispanic or Latino	306	4.1	789,713	29.0	1,935,376	22.7
Black non-Hispanic	6,882	93.1	820,180	30.1	1,431,406	16.8
Asian non-Hispanic	23	0.3	167,575	6.2	586,990	6.9
All other categories	32	0.4	54,796	2.0	169,165	2.0

Source: 2013-2017 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Total population.

AGE COHORTS, 2013-2017

	Riverdale		City of Chicago		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
19 and under	3,434	46.4	657,146	24.1	2,217,385	26.0
20 to 34	1,837	24.8	745,593	27.4	1,813,921	21.3
35 to 49	943	12.8	547,572	20.1	1,725,677	20.2
50 to 64	830	11.2	454,773	16.7	1,641,327	19.3
65 to 74	229	3.1	182,119	6.7	647,212	7.6
75 to 84	48	0.6	96,103	3.5	329,087	3.9
85 and Older	73	1.0	39,280	1.4	148,339	1.7
Median Age*	21.7		34.1		37.0	

Source: 2013-2017 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Total population.

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EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT, 2013-2017

	Riverdale		City of Chicago		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Less than High School Graduate	686	20.9	300,396	16.2	705,215	12.3
High School Graduate or Equivalency	952	29.0	424,792	22.9	1,324,196	23.1
Some College, No Degree	1,258	38.3	328,340	17.7	1,119,856	19.5
Associate's Degree	249	7.6	105,812	5.7	395,340	6.9
Bachelor's Degree	69	2.1	413,937	22.3	1,328,622	23.2
Graduate or Professional Degree	69	2.1	280,644	15.1	862,603	15.0

Source: 2013-2017 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Population 25 years and older.

LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME AND ABILITY TO SPEAK ENGLISH, 2013-2017

	Riverdale		City of Chicago		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
English Only	6,099	95.7	1,627,115	64.0	5,505,064	68.9
Language other than English	275	4.3	916,991	36.0	2,485,504	31.1
Speak English less than "very well"	140	2.2	382,350	15.0	981,994	12.3

Source: 2013-2017 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Population 5 years and older.

LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME, 2013-2017

	Riverdale		City of Chicago		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
English	6,099	95.7	1,627,115	64.0	5,505,064	68.9
Spanish	239	3.7	621,293	24.4	1,463,328	18.3
Slavic Languages	9	0.1	74,963	2.9	277,040	3.5
Chinese	15	0.2	46,081	1.8	88,225	1.1
Tagalog	0	0.0	21,495	0.8	75,330	0.9
Arabic	0	0.0	16,797	0.7	60,403	0.8
Korean	0	0.0	7,834	0.3	37,451	0.5
Other Asian Languages	0	0.0	23,392	0.9	101,327	1.3
Other Indo-European Languages	0	0.0	81,016	3.2	327,819	4.1
Other / Unspecified Languages	12	0.2	24,120	0.9	54,581	0.7

Source: 2013-2017 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Population 5 years and older.

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HOUSEHOLD SIZE, 2013-2017

	Riverdale		City of Chicago		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
1 Person Household	648	26.7	383,720	36.7	890,038	28.8
2 People Household	609	25.1	304,746	29.1	939,153	30.3
3 People Household	533	22.0	145,759	13.9	486,277	15.7
4 or More People Household	638	26.3	212,564	20.3	779,625	25.2

Source: 2013-2017 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Occupied housing units.

HOUSEHOLD TYPE, 2013-2017

	Riverdale		City of Chicago		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Family	1,724	71.0		53.9		65.2
Single Parent with Child	1,064	43.8		9.8		8.5
Non-Family	704	29.0		46.1		34.8

Source: 2013-2017 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Occupied housing units.

HOUSEHOLD INCOME, 2013-2017

	Riverdale		City of Chicago		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Less than \$25,000	1,676	69.0	279,153	26.7	578,549	18.7
\$25,000 to \$49,999	508	20.9	220,794	21.1	601,924	19.4
\$50,000 to \$74,999	118	4.9	164,936	15.8	511,185	16.5
\$75,000 to \$99,999	46	1.9	114,428	10.9	392,259	12.7
\$100,000 to \$149,999	63	2.6	132,548	12.7	499,882	16.2
\$150,000 and Over	17	0.7	134,930	12.9	511,294	16.5
Median Income	\$13,345		\$52,497		\$67,619	

Source: 2013-2017 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Occupied housing units.

HOUSING AND TENURE, 2013-2017

	Riverdale		City of Chicago		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Occupied Housing Units	2,428	73.5	1,046,789	87.2	3,095,093	91.3
Owner-Occupied*	239	7.2	466,587	38.9	1,975,418	58.2
Renter-Occupied*	2,189	66.3	580,202	48.3	1,119,675	33.0
Vacant Housing Units	876	26.5	153,516	12.8	296,208	8.7

Source: 2013-2017 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: *Occupied housing units; Housing units.

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HOUSING CHARACTERISTICS

The housing characteristics tables include housing unit estimates by housing type, size, and age summarized for Riverdale.

HOUSING TYPE, 2013-2017*

	Riverdale		City of Chicago		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Single Family, Detached	526	15.9	310,378	25.9	1,704,708	50.3
Single Family, Attached	1,674	50.7	41,094	3.4	251,659	7.4
2 Units	86	2.6	174,476	14.5	236,677	7.0
3 or 4 Units	114	3.5	180,464	15.0	271,850	8.0
5 or more Units	904	27.4	491,380	40.9	899,796	26.5

Source: 2013-2017 American Community Survey five-year estimates.
*Excludes mobile, boat, RV, van, etc.

Universe: Housing units.

HOUSING SIZE, 2013-2017

	Riverdale		City of Chicago		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
0 to 1 Bedrooms	435	13.2	320,287	26.7	545,190	16.1
2 Bedrooms	1,301	39.4	415,082	34.6	969,876	28.6
3 Bedrooms	1,308	39.6	323,851	27.0	1,131,968	33.4
4 Bedrooms	237	7.2	100,008	8.3	586,905	17.3
5+ Bedrooms	23	0.7	41,077	3.4	157,362	4.6
Median Number of Rooms*	5.1		4.8		6.0	

Source: 2013-2017 American Community Survey five-year estimates.
*Includes all rooms.

Universe: Housing units.

HOUSING AGE, 2013-2017

	Riverdale		City of Chicago		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Built 2000 or Later	88	2.7	115,302	9.6	434,527	12.8
Built 1970 to 1999	287	8.7	194,661	16.2	1,150,207	33.9
Built 1940 to 1969	2,639	79.9	373,475	31.1	1,056,069	31.1
Built Before 1940	290	8.8	516,867	43.1	750,498	22.1
Median Year Built	N/A		1948		1967	

Source: 2013-2017 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Housing units.

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TRANSPORTATION

The transportation tables include vehicle availability by household, mode of travel to work, and annual vehicle miles traveled for Riverdale.

VEHICLES AVAILABLE, 2013-2017

	Riverdale		City of Chicago		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
No Vehicle Available	1,253	51.6	279,603	26.7	393,398	12.7
1 Vehicle Available	885	36.4	462,672	44.2	1,107,676	35.8
2 Vehicles Available	205	8.4	233,713	22.3	1,098,330	35.5
3 or More Vehicles Available	85	3.5	70,801	6.8	495,689	16.0

Source: 2013-2017 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Occupied housing units.

MODE OF TRAVEL TO WORK, 2013-2017

	Riverdale		City of Chicago		6-County Region*	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Work at Home**	32	N/A	59,574	N/A	202,734	N/A
Drive Alone	783	46.8	633,387	51.6	2,840,547	72.6
Carpool	142	8.5	101,904	8.3	321,276	8.2
Transit	637	38.1	363,149	29.6	540,300	13.8
Walk or Bike	102	6.1	107,662	8.8	163,733	4.2
Other	10	0.6	22,549	1.8	48,918	1.2
TOTAL COMMUTERS	1,674	100.0	1,228,651	100.0	3,914,774	100.0

Source: 2013-2017 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Workers 16 years and older.

* Commuter estimates not available for Kendall County.

** Not included in "total commuters."

ANNUAL VEHICLE MILES TRAVELED PER HOUSEHOLD, 2013-2017

	Riverdale	City of Chicago	CMAP Region
Average Vehicle Miles Traveled	8,003	10,908	17,165

Source: Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning analysis of U.S. Census Bureau, HERE, and Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (2017) data.

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EMPLOYMENT

The employment tables include general workforce characteristics for Riverdale.

EMPLOYMENT STATUS, 2013-2017

	Riverdale		City of Chicago		CMAP Region	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
In Labor Force	2,742	60.3	1,458,473	66.4	4,541,928	67.2
Employed†*	1,766	64.4	1,313,445	90.1	4,187,289	92.2
Unemployed*	976	35.6	144,332	9.9	342,324	7.5
Not In Labor Force	1,809	39.7	739,548	33.6	2,213,083	32.8

Source: 2013-2017 American Community Survey five-year estimates.
†Does not include employed population in the Armed Forces.

Universe: *In Labor Force; Population 16 years and older.

EMPLOYMENT OF RIVERDALE RESIDENTS, 2015

By Industry Sector	Count	Percent
Health Care	396	22.8
Administration	231	13.3
Retail Trade	184	10.6
Accommodation and Food Service	174	10.0
Transportation	152	8.7
By Employment Location		
Outside of Chicago	787	45.3
The Loop	166	9.5
Near North Side	100	5.8
Near West Side	84	4.8
Roseland	42	2.4

EMPLOYMENT IN RIVERDALE, 2015

By Industry Sector	Count	Percent
Manufacturing	292	27.2
Utilities	257	23.9
Transportation	190	17.7
Health Care	83	7.7
Professional	83	7.7
By Residence Location		
Outside of Chicago	783	72.9
Roseland	21	2.0
Riverdale	18	1.7
East Side	17	1.6
Auburn Gresham	16	1.5

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Longitudinal-Employer Household Dynamics Program (2015).

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LAND USE

The land use tables include general land use composition and park access for Riverdale. The general land use and park access table estimates were derived from the [CMAP Parcel-Based Land Use Inventory](#).

GENERAL LAND USE, 2013

	Acres	Percent
Single-Family Residential	222.5	9.8
Multi-Family Residential	49.9	2.2
Commercial	28.7	1.3
Industrial	252.3	11.2
Institutional	58.5	2.6
Mixed Use	0.8	0.0
Transportation and Other	1,143.9	50.6
Agricultural	6.1	0.3
Open Space	269.4	11.9
Vacant	226.6	10.0
TOTAL	2,258.7	100.0

Source: Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning Parcel-Based Land Use Inventory 2013.

PARK ACCESS, 2013

	Riverdale	City of Chicago	CMAP Region
Accessible Park Acreage per 1,000 Residents*	4.0	2.4	5.6

Source: Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning calculations of 2013 Land Use Inventory.

*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.

Community Data Snapshot Time Series: Riverdale

CHANGE OVER TIME

The time series tables include comparisons of current 2013-2017 ACS estimates to historic year estimates from the 2000 Census and 2006-2010 ACS.

RACE AND ETHNICITY, 2000-2017

	2000 Percent	2010 Percent	2017 Percent
White non-Hispanic	0.7	0.3	2.0
Hispanic or Latino	1.6	1.3	4.1
Black non-Hispanic	96.6	97.7	93.1
Asian non-Hispanic	0.1	0.7	0.3
All other categories	1.0	0.0	0.4

Source: 2000 Census, 2006-2010 and 2013-2017 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Total population.

AGE COHORTS, 2010-2017

	2010 Percent	2017 Percent
19 and under	45.6	46.4
20 to 34	21.7	24.8
35 to 49	17.2	12.8
50 to 64	8.7	11.2
65 to 74	3.7	3.1
75 to 84	2.2	0.6
85 and Older	0.9	1.0
Median Age*	22.5	21.7

Source: 2006-2010 and 2013-2017 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Total population.

Community Data Snapshot Time Series: Riverdale

EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT, 2010-2017

	2010 Percent	2017 Percent
Less than High School Graduate	24.6	20.9
High School Graduate or Equivalency	32.0	29.0
Some College, No Degree	27.8	38.3
Associate's Degree	9.9	7.6
Bachelor's Degree	5.2	2.1
Graduate or Professional Degree	0.5	2.1

Source: 2006-2010 and 2013-2017 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Population 25 years and older.

LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME AND ABILITY TO SPEAK ENGLISH, 2010-2017

	2010 Percent	2017 Percent
English Only	96.2	95.7
Language other than English	3.8	4.3
Speak English less than "very well"	1.1	2.2

Source: 2006-2010 and 2013-2017 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Population 5 years and older.

LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME, 2010-2017

	2010 Percent	2017 Percent
English	96.2	95.7
Spanish	2.8	3.7
Slavic Languages	0.0	0.1
Chinese	0.0	0.2
Tagalog	0.5	0.0
Arabic	0.5	0.0
Korean	0.0	0.0
Other Asian Languages	0.0	0.0
Other Indo-European Languages	0.0	0.0
Other / Unspecified Languages	0.0	0.2

Source: 2006-2010 and 2013-2017 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Population 5 years and older.

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HOUSEHOLD SIZE, 2010-2017

	2010	2017
	Percent	Percent
1 Person Household	26.6	26.7
2 People Household	29.6	25.1
3 People Household	15.5	22.0
4 or More People Household	28.2	26.3

Source: 2006-2010 and 2013-2017 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Occupied housing units.

HOUSEHOLD TYPE, 2010-2017

	2010	2017
	Percent	Percent
Family	72.4	71.0
Single Parent with Child	44.0	43.8
Non-Family	27.6	29.0

Source: 2006-2010 and 2013-2017 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Occupied housing units.

HOUSEHOLD INCOME, 2010-2017

	2010	2017
	(2017 Dollars)	(2017 Dollars)
Median Income	\$ 15,457	\$ 13,345

Source: 2006-2010 and 2013-2017 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Occupied housing units.

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HOUSING AND TENURE, 2010-2017

	2010 Percent	2017 Percent
Occupied Housing Units	60.1	73.5
Owner-Occupied*	9.5	7.2
Renter-Occupied*	50.7	66.3
Vacant Housing Units	39.9	26.5

Source: 2006-2010 and 2013-2017 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: *Occupied housing units; Housing units.

HOUSING TYPE, 2010-2017*

	2010 Percent	2017 Percent
Single Family, Detached	17.6	15.9
Single Family, Attached	53.8	50.7
2 Units	1.7	2.6
3 or 4 Units	9.5	3.5
5 or more Units	17.3	27.4

Source: 2006-2010 and 2013-2017 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Housing units.

*Excludes mobile, boat, RV, van, etc.

HOUSING SIZE, 2010-2017

	2010 Percent	2017 Percent
0 to 1 Bedrooms	13.8	13.2
2 Bedrooms	42.4	39.4
3 Bedrooms	33.2	39.6
4 Bedrooms	9.6	7.2
5+ Bedrooms	0.9	0.7
Median Number of Rooms*	5.0	5.1

Source: 2006-2010 and 2013-2017 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Housing units.

*Includes all rooms.

HOUSING AGE, 2010-2017

	2010 Percent	2017 Percent
Built 2000 or Later	3.5	2.7
Built 1970 to 1999	9.6	8.7
Built 1940 to 1969	74.6	79.9
Built Before 1940	12.2	8.8
Median Year Built	N/A	N/A

Source: 2006-2010 and 2013-2017 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Housing units.

Community Data Snapshot Time Series: Riverdale

VEHICLES AVAILABLE, 2010-2017

	2010 Percent	2017 Percent
No Vehicle Available	42.2	51.6
1 Vehicle Available	44.9	36.4
2 Vehicles Available	9.1	8.4
3 or More Vehicles Available	3.9	3.5

Source: 2006-2010 and 2013-2017 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Occupied housing units.

MODE OF TRAVEL TO WORK, 2010-2017

	2010 Percent	2017 Percent
Work at Home*	N/A	N/A
Drive Alone	41.6	46.8
Carpool	13.1	8.5
Transit	37.2	38.1
Walk or Bike	8.2	6.1
Other	0.0	0.6
TOTAL COMMUTERS	100.0	100.0
Mean Commute Time (minutes)	N/A	N/A

Source: 2006-2010 and 2013-2017 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: Workers 16 years and over.

* Not included in "total commuters."

EMPLOYMENT STATUS, 2010-2017

	2010 Percent	2017 Percent
In Labor Force	53.7	60.3
Employed*	73.6	64.4
Unemployed*	26.4	35.6
Not In Labor Force	46.3	39.7

Source: 2006-2010 and 2013-2017 American Community Survey five-year estimates.

Universe: *In Labor Force; Population 16 years and older.

†Does not include employed population in the Armed Forces.

Community Data Snapshot ON TO 2050 Indicators: Riverdale

ON TO 2050 INDICATORS

ON TO 2050 is the region's long-range comprehensive plan, adopted by CMAP in 2018. The plan includes a set of indicators for quantifying its goals and measuring implementation progress. While many of these indicators can only be measured at a regional level, several can also be tracked at a local level. These have been laid out in the table below, with comparisons to the region's current measure as well as the targets that the plan is aiming to reach by 2050. Visit cmap.illinois.gov/2050/indicators to learn more.

Plan Chapter	Indicator	Riverdale	CMAP Region		Source
		(Current)	(Current)	(2050 Target)	
COMMUNITY	Population located in highly walkable areas	0.0%	41.5%	45.2%	CMAP, 2015
	Jobs located in highly walkable areas	0.0%	38.2%	45.2%	CMAP, 2015
PROSPERITY	Population aged 25+ with an associate's degree or higher	11.8%	45.1%	64.9%	2013-2017 ACS 5-Year
	Workforce participation rate among population aged 20-64	69.8%	80.3%	83.4%	2013-2017 ACS 5-Year
ENVIRONMENT	Population with park access of 4+ acres per 1,000 residents	55.5%	41.5%	65.0%	CMAP, 2013
	Population with park access of 10+ acres per 1,000 residents	0.0%	16.0%	40.0%	CMAP, 2013
	Impervious acres per household	0.45	0.18	0.15	USGS National Land Cover Dataset, 2011
MOBILITY	Population with at least moderately high transit availability	1.3%	53.2%	65.0%	CMAP, 2017
	Jobs with at least moderately high transit availability	4.1%	55.2%	58.0%	CMAP, 2017
	Percent of trips to work via non-SOV modes	53.5%	29.8%	37.3%	2013-2017 ACS 5-Year

For more information

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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'd like to see in next year's snapshots.

Please direct inquiries to info@cmap.illinois.gov. To access other Community Data Snapshots for municipalities and counties in the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning's seven-county northeastern Illinois region, visit <http://www.cmap.illinois.gov/data/community-snapshots>.