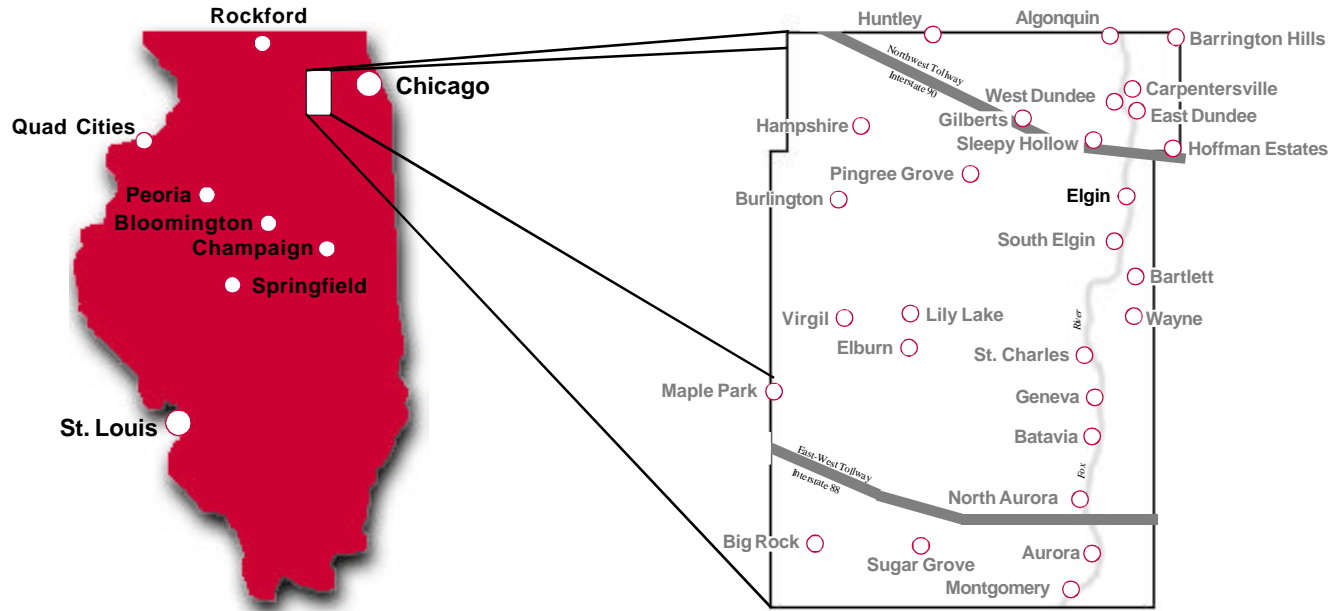


Elgin Illinois



Population Characteristics

Trends	1990	2000	2005*
City	77,010	94,487	102,802
Chicago PMSA**	7,410,858	8,272,768	8,479,587
State of Illinois	11,430,602	12,419,293	12,708,663
United States	248,704,630	281,421,906	293,616,923

* EASI Demographics, 2000.

** The Chicago Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area (PMSA) consists of Cook, DeKalb, DuPage, Grundy, Kane, Kendall, Lake, McHenry and Will counties.

Land Area (2000) 26.2 Square Miles
 Population Density (2000) 3,606.4 Persons per Square Mile

Gender (2000)	Number	Percent
Female Population:	47,558	50.3
Male Population:	46,929	49.7

Race/Ethnicity (2000)	Number	Percent
Total Population	94,487	100.0
One Race	91,672	97.0
White	66,600	70.5
Black or African American	6,427	6.8
American Indian & Alaskan Native	382	0.4
Asian	3,668	3.9
Hawaiian Native & Pacific Islander	58	0.1
Some Other Race	14,537	15.4
Two or more races	2,815	3.0
Hispanic or Latino (any race)	32,430	34.3

SOURCE: U.S. Census Bureau, 2000; EASI Demographics, Inc., 2000.

Population Characteristics

Age Distribution (2000)	Number	Percent
5 Years & Younger	9,775	10.3
6-11 Years	9,571	10.1
12-17 Years	8,103	8.6
18-24 Years	8,993	9.5
25-34 Years	15,437	16.3
35-44 Years	15,633	16.5
45-54 Years	10,927	11.6
55-64 Years	6,042	6.4
65-74 Years	4,894	5.2
75 Years & Older	5,113	5.4
Median Age		32.0

SOURCE: EASI Demographics, 2000.

Household Characteristics

Size of Household (2000)	Number	Percent
Total Households	32,248	100.0
One Person Households	8,302	25.7
Two Person Households	9,562	29.7
Three Person Households	5,271	16.3
Four Person Households	4,851	15.0
Five Person Households	2,579	8.0
Six or more Person Households	1,684	5.2
Average Household Size		2.80

SOURCE: EASI Demographics, 2000.

Housing Characteristics

Occupied/Vacant Status (2000)	Number	Percent
Total Housing Units	33,794	100.0
Occupied	32,246	95.4
Vacant	1,548	4.6

Owner/Renter Status (2000)	Number	Percent
Occupied Housing Units	32,246	100.0
Owner Occupied	21,209	65.8
Renter Occupied	11,037	34.2

Number of Units in Structure	Number	Percent
One Unit	18,384	57.0
Two Units	3,439	10.7
3 - 4 Units	1,825	5.7
5 - 9 Units	2,798	8.7
10 - 19 Units	1,168	3.6
20 - 49 Units	785	2.4
50 or More Units	680	2.1
Trailer	1,044	3.2
Other Units	205	0.6

Value - Owner Occupied Units	Number	Percent
Less than \$25,000	30	0.1
\$25,000 - \$29,999	4	0.02
\$30,000 - \$34,999	36	0.2
\$35,000 - \$39,999	44	0.2
\$40,000 - \$44,999	27	0.1
\$45,000 - \$49,999	107	0.5
\$50,000 - \$59,999	436	2.1
\$60,000 - \$74,999	1,698	8.0
\$75,000 - \$99,999	6,259	29.5
\$100,000 - \$149,999	10,042	47.3
\$150,000 - \$199,999	2,262	10.7
\$200,000 - \$299,999	496	2.3
\$300,000 and Over	138	0.6
Median Value		\$110,698

SOURCE: EASI Demographics, 2000.

Income Characteristics

Household Income (2000)	Number	Percent
Less than \$15,000	3,197	9.9
\$15,000 - \$24,999	4,363	13.5
\$25,000 - \$34,999	4,542	14.1
\$35,000 - \$49,999	5,677	17.6
\$50,000 - \$74,999	6,605	20.5
\$75,000 - \$99,999	4,378	13.6
\$100,000 & over	3,485	10.8
Median Household Income		\$45,626
Per Capita Income		\$20,230

SOURCE: EASI Demographics, 2000.

Commuting Characteristics

Mode of Travel to Work (2000)	Number	Percent
Car, Truck, Van to Work:	45,952	92.9
Public Transportation to Work:	1,339	2.7
Other Transportation to Work:	1,133	2.3
Worked at Home:	1,022	2.1

Travel Time to Work (2000)	Number	Percent
Less than 15 Minutes	17,514	35.4
15 - 29 Minutes	15,747	31.8
30 - 59 Minutes	13,391	27.1
60 Minutes or More	2,792	5.6

SOURCE: EASI Demographics, 2000.

Retail Trade Characteristics

Sales by Store Group (1999)	Dollars	Percent
Total Retail Sales	1,117,743,000	100.0
Motor Vehicles	486,737,000	43.5
Home Furnishings	13,778,000	1.2
Electrical and Appliances	4,587,000	0.4
Building Materials and Garden	147,632,000	13.2
Food and Beverage	158,061,000	14.1
Health and Personal Care	45,421,000	4.1
Gasoline Stations	79,455,000	7.1
Clothing and Accessories	5,575,000	0.5
Sporting Goods	14,964,000	1.3
General Merchandise	108,758,000	9.7
Miscellaneous	17,886,000	1.6
Nonstore Purchases	34,889,000	3.1

Number of Establishments

NOTE: Data is for City of Elgin only and does not include surrounding areas.
SOURCE: EASI Demographics, 2000.

Expenditures by Type (1998)

Annual Expenditures	\$1,359,834,000
Food at home	\$98,167,000
Food away from home	\$78,659,000
Housing	\$428,702,000
Housekeeping services	\$3,260,000
Household furnishings and equipment	\$63,012,000
Household textiles	\$4,161,000
Apparel and services	\$63,402,000
Transportation	\$248,131,000
Health Care	\$64,226,000
Entertainment	\$68,224,000
Personal care products, services	\$15,366,000
Reading	\$6,149,000
Education	\$20,679,000
Tobacco products, supplies	\$9,038,000
Cash contributions	\$45,439,000
Personal insurance and pensions	\$143,219,000

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SOURCE: EASI Demographics, 2000.

Labor Market Characteristics

Employment - Place of Residence* (2000)

By Gender	Number	Percent
Total Employment (age 16 & over)	49,445	100.0
Males Employed	27,838	56.3
Females Employed	21,607	43.7

Employment - Place of Residence* (2000)

By Occupation	Number	Percent
Total Employment (age 16 & over)	49,445	100.0
White Collar Occupations	26,829	54.3
Exec, Admin., Mgmt.	6,051	12.2
Professional Specialties	6,372	12.9
Technicians	1,383	2.8
Sales	5,625	11.4
Administrative Support	7,398	15.0
Blue Collar Occupations	16,901	34.2
Farming, Forestry, Fishing	935	1.9
Precision Production, Craft	5,621	11.4
Operators, Fabric., & Laborers	10,346	20.9
Service Occupations	5,715	11.6
Private Household	133	0.3
Protective Services	511	1.0
Services	5,071	10.3

* Place of Residence: Persons are counted by where they live.
SOURCE: EASI Demographics, 2000.

Major Employers

Company Name	Employees
First Card	3,200
Products/services	Financial services
Sherman Hospital	2,100
Products/services	Health care
Grand Victoria Casino	1,500
Products/services	Casino gambling
Elgin Mental Health Center	1,250
Products/services	Mental health treatment facility
St. Joseph Hospital	1,000
Products/services	Health care
Elgin Community College	950
Products/services	Education

SOURCE: MarketPlace, 2000.

Education Characteristics

Enrollment - Age 3 Years and Over (2000)

	Number	Percent
Public Preprimary	1,205	1.4
Private Preprimary	666	0.8
Public School	14,422	16.7
Private School	2,049	2.4
Public College	4,336	5.0
Private College	1,598	1.9
Not Enrolled in School	62,065	71.9

Enrollment - Age 25 Years and Over (2000)

	Number	Percent
Not High School Graduate	10,405	17.9
High School Graduate	18,105	31.2
Some College, no Degree	15,921	27.4
College Graduate	9,570	16.5
Graduate Degree	4,044	7.0

SOURCE: EASI Demographics, 2000.

Local Services

General Waste Disposal	Yes
Hazardous Waste Disposal	Yes
Radio Stations	3
Broadcast Television Channels	12
Cable TV Service	Yes
Newspapers	3 Daily / 3 Weekly
Motels/Hotels	8

Recreation

Public Golf Courses	3
Health Clubs	5

Community Events & Attractions

Family Recreation Center
Historic District
1,200 acres of parks and open space
Fine Arts Festival
Shakespeare in the Park
Fiesta Salsa
Four Bridges of Elgin Bicycle Race

SOURCE: City of Elgin, 2001.

Transportation

Air Service

Regional Airport: O'Hare International
 Commercial Carriers: 50
 Flights per Day 2,492
 Other services: U.S. Customs Port of Entry,
 Foreign Trade Zone, Public warehousing, Aircraft charters,
 Aircraft fueling, storage and maintenance services.

Regional Airport: Chicago Midway
 Commercial Carriers: 15
 Flights per Day 763
 Other services: U.S. Customs Port of Entry,
 Foreign Trade Zone, public warehousing, aircraft charters,
 aircraft fueling, storage and maintenance services.

Regional Airport: Aurora Municipal Airport
 Other services: Aircraft charters, fueling, storage and
 maintenance facilities.

Ground Transportation

Highways serving area:
 Interstate I-90
 Federal U.S. 20
 State 19, 25, 31, 58
 Inter-City bus service available.
 Local mass transit service provided by METRA, PACE.
 Rail Carriers serving area Elgin, Joliet & Eastern, I&M Rail
 Link, METRA, Union Pacific

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Government and Taxes

Municipal Government Type Council/Manager
 Municipal Zoning Ordinance Yes
 Comprehensive Plan Yes
 Date of Last Revision 2000
 Subdivision Ordinance with Design Standards Yes
 Home Rule Yes
 Emergency 911 System Yes
 Rescue Squad Yes
 Fire Insurance Class In City 3
 Firefighters 107 F/T
 Police Officers 159 F/T

Economic Amenities

Foreign Trade Zone(s) Yes
 Enterprise Zone(s) Yes
 Tax Increment Financing District(s) Yes
 Revolving Loan Fund Program(s) Yes
 Industrial Revenue Bond Program Yes

Property Tax Rates

Tax Year 1999-2000
 Municipality 1.9200
 County 0.4772
 School District 5.2319
 Other(s) 1.0609
 Total 8.6900
 Total Equalized Assessed Value \$1,200,000,000

Local Tax on Utility Bills

Electricity none
 Natural Gas none
 Telephone none
 Water none

Retail Sales Tax Rates

General Merchandise 7.25%
 Food, Drugs, and Medical Appliances 1.25%
 Vehicle Purchases *6.50%
 General Merchandise (Cook County part) 8.50%
 Food, Drugs, Medical Appliances (Cook County part) 2.00%
 Vehicle Purchases (Cook County part) *7.00%

* Add 1.00% Chicago Home Rule Tax if vehicle purchased from a dealer at this location and registered in the City of Chicago.

SOURCE: Illinois Department of Revenue, 2000; City of Elgin, 2001.

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