



Will County Economic Update

October-December (4th Quarter) 2009

	2007	2008	2009	2007-2009 Change		2008-2009 Change	
Total Population	670,668	681,104	712,040	41,372	6%	30,936	5%
Population Ages 15-64	455,992	462,812	483,787	27,795	6%	20,975	5%

Source: EMSI Complete Employment-4th Quarter 2009

Employment Changes by Industry

Description	2008 Jobs	2009 Jobs	2008-2009 Growth	2008-2009 % Growth
Agriculture, forestry, fishing, hunting	1,381	1,366	(15)	(1%)
Mining	289	279	(10)	(3%)
Utilities	2,034	2,024	(10)	0%
Construction	20,629	17,531	(3,098)	(15%)
Manufacturing	21,228	19,398	(1,830)	(9%)
Wholesale trade	14,233	13,915	(318)	(2%)
Retail trade	32,163	30,748	(1,415)	(4%)
Transportation and warehousing	13,290	12,861	(429)	(3%)
Information	3,942	3,728	(214)	(5%)
Finance and insurance	10,233	9,972	(261)	(3%)
Real estate, rental and leasing	10,092	9,360	(732)	(7%)
Professional and technical services	12,674	12,489	(185)	(1%)
Management of companies/enterprises	1,118	1,056	(62)	(6%)
Administrative and waste services	14,384	12,575	(1,809)	(13%)
Educational services	4,945	4,993	48	1%
Health care and social assistance	23,310	23,376	66	0%
Arts, entertainment and recreation	6,691	6,248	(443)	7%
Accommodation and food services	16,741	16,509	(232)	(1%)
Other services, except public admin	12,933	12,947	14	0%
Government	33,644	33,454	(190)	(1%)
	255,954	244,829	(11,125)	(4%)

Source: EMSI Complete Employment-4th Quarter 2009



Employment Changes by Occupation

Occupation Description	2008 Jobs	2009 Jobs	2008 – 2009 Change	2008 – 2009 % Change	2009 Avg Hourly Earnings
Management	15,839	15,012	(827)	(5%)	\$24.59
Business and financial operations	12,526	12,063	(463)	(4%)	\$16.24
Computer and mathematical science	3,804	3,718	(86)	(2%)	\$20.54
Architecture and engineering	2,883	2,724	(159)	(6%)	\$25.72
Life, physical, and social science	1,750	1,725	(25)	(1%)	\$19.72
Community and social services	3,138	3,127	(11)	0%	\$16.53
Legal	1,422	1,410	(12)	(1%)	\$24.96
Education, training, and library	16,242	16,230	(12)	0%	\$27.83
Arts, design, entertainment, sports, and media	5,299	5,200	(99)	(2%)	\$11.22
Healthcare practitioners and technical	11,202	11,110	(92)	(1%)	\$26.98
Healthcare support	5,321	5,330	9	0%	\$11.31
Protective service	5,630	5,562	(68)	(1%)	\$21.21
Food preparation and serving related	17,674	17,396	(278)	(2%)	\$8.43
Building and grounds cleaning and maintenance	9,310	8,763	(547)	(6%)	\$10.06
Personal care and service	8,456	8,300	(156)	(2%)	\$9.56
Sales and related	36,914	35,241	(1,673)	(5%)	\$11.40
Office and administrative support	33,005	31,589	(1,416)	(4%)	\$11.40
Farming, fishing, and forestry	528	523	(5)	(1%)	\$9.86
Construction and extraction	17,459	15,086	(2,373)	(14%)	\$26.48
Installation, maintenance, and repair	8,942	8,530	(412)	(5%)	\$19.54
Production	16,993	15,644	(1,349)	(8%)	\$14.63
Transportation and material moving	20,247	19,177	(1,070)	(5%)	\$12.91
Military	1,369	1,370	1	0%	\$8.74
	255,954	244,829	(11,125)	(4%)	\$16.16

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Unemployment Rates

Geographic Area	December 2007	December 2008	December 2009
Illinois	5.3	6.5	10.8
Cook County	5.1	7.1	10.8
DuPage County	3.8	5.4	8.6
Grundy County	6.5	9.2	13.7
Kankakee County	7.6	10.6	14.3
Kendall County	4.9	6.9	11.1
Will County	5.0	7.1	11.0

Source: Illinois Department of Employment Security – Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS)

Unemployment by Industry

Description	2009 County Employment	July 2009 Unempl.	County Unempl. Rate	State Unempl. Rate	National Unempl. Rate
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	1,366	17	1.2%	0.9%	3.5%
Mining	279	26	9.3%	5.4%	10.5%
Utilities	2,024	69	3.4%	2.2%	3.7%
Construction	17,531	4,258	24.3%	16.3%	13.1%
Manufacturing	19,398	5,935	30.6%	19.1%	17.2%
Wholesale trade	13,915	1,920	13.8%	8.3%	8.3%
Retail trade	30,748	5,267	17.1%	10.3%	9.7%
Transportation and warehousing	12,861	1,908	14.8%	9.8%	8.6%
Information	3,728	454	12.2%	7.2%	8.2%
Finance and insurance	9,972	780	7.8%	4.8%	4.4%
Real estate and rental and leasing	9,360	376	4.0%	2.4%	2.4%
Professional and technical services	12,489	1,308	10.5%	6.3%	6.0%
Management of companies and enterprises	1,056	53	5.0%	2.7%	2.7%
Administrative and waste services	12,575	2,294	18.2%	10.8%	10.9%
Educational services	4,993	618	12.4%	6.6%	8.0%
Health care and social assistance	23,376	1,593	6.8%	4.1%	4.5%
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	6,248	385	6.2%	3.6%	5.2%
Accommodation and food services	16,509	3,128	18.9%	11.5%	10.6%
Other services, except public administration	12,947	1,221	9.4%	5.8%	6.0%
Government	33,454	2,136	6.4%	3.7%	3.0%
Not elsewhere classified	N/A	3,709	N/A	N/A	N/A
	244,829	37,455	15.3		

Source: EMSI Complete Employment – 4th Quarter 2009

*Note: Industries with fewer than ten unemployed workers are not shown.



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Average Monthly Wages (4th Quarter) 2005–2008

Geographic Area	2005	2006	2007	2008
Will County	\$3,544	\$3,611	\$3,790	\$3,790
Chicago Metro Region	\$4,279	\$4,500	\$4,707	\$4,750
State of Illinois	\$3,924	\$4,118	\$4,310	\$4,368

Source: U.S. Census, Local Employment Dynamics, 2008

Average Monthly Wages by Industry (4th Quarter) 2005 and 2008

Industry	2005	2008	Change	Percent Change
Agriculture, forestry, fishing, hunting	\$2,499	\$2,787	\$288	10.3%
Mining	\$8,168	\$6,410	(\$1,758)	(27.4%)
Utilities	\$6,414	\$7,875	\$1,461	18.6%
Construction	\$5,312	\$6,152	\$840	13.7%
Manufacturing	\$4,657	\$5,263	\$606	11.5%
Wholesale trade	\$4,984	\$4,960	(\$24)	(0.5%)
Retail trade	\$2,326	\$2,354	\$28	1.2%
Transportation and warehousing	\$3,521	\$3,721	\$200	5.4%
Information	\$3,353	\$3,527	\$174	4.9%
Finance and insurance	\$4,811	\$4,556	(\$255)	(5.6%)
Real estate, rental and leasing	\$3,214	\$3,161	(\$53)	(1.7%)
Professional and technical services	\$4,246	\$5,064	\$818	16.2%
Management of companies/enterprises	\$4,935	\$5,904	\$969	16.4%
Administrative, Support, Waste Management and Remediation	\$2,829	\$3,184	\$355	11.1%
Educational services	\$2,954	\$3,396	\$442	13.0%
Health care and social assistance	\$3,547	\$3,821	\$274	7.2%
Arts, entertainment and recreation	\$2,362	\$2,250	(\$112)	(5.0%)
Accommodation and food services	\$1,115	\$1,237	\$122	9.9%
Other services, except public admin	\$2,580	\$2,725	\$145	5.3%
Public Administration	\$4,095	\$4,800	\$705	14.7%

Source: U.S. Census, Local Employment Dynamics, 2008



Average Monthly New Hire Wages (4th Quarter) 2005-2008

Geographic Location	2005	2006	2007	2008
Will County	\$2,053	\$2,135	\$2,251	\$2,259
Chicago Metro Region	\$2,479	\$2,609	\$2,693	\$2,759
State of Illinois	\$2,277	\$2,376	\$2,460	\$2,547

Source: U.S. Census, Local Employment Dynamics, 2008

Average Monthly New Hire Wages by Industry (4th Quarter) 2005 and 2008

Industry	2005	2008	Change	Percent Change
Agriculture, forestry, fishing, hunting	\$1,448	\$2,804	\$1,356	48.4%
Mining	\$6,310	\$3,529	(\$2,781)	(78.8%)
Utilities	\$5,420	\$5,801	\$381	6.6%
Construction	\$3,670	\$4,919	\$1,249	25.4%
Manufacturing	\$3,057	\$3,979	\$922	23.2%
Wholesale trade	\$2,557	\$2,655	\$98	3.7%
Retail trade	\$1,453	\$1,336	(\$117)	(8.8%)
Transportation and warehousing	\$2,677	\$2,594	(\$83)	(3.2%)
Information	\$2,203	\$2,162	(\$41)	(1.9%)
Finance and insurance	\$2,950	\$3,369	\$419	12.4%
Real estate, rental and leasing	\$1,913	\$2,015	\$102	5.1%
Professional and technical services	\$2,848	\$3,836	\$988	25.8%
Management of companies/enterprises	\$4,099	\$3,382	\$825	24.4%
Administrative, Support, Waste Management and Remediation	\$1,759	\$1,932	\$173	9.0%
Educational services	\$2,191	\$2,452	\$261	10.6%
Health care and social assistance	\$2,070	\$2,323	\$253	10.9%
Arts, entertainment and recreation	\$1,258	\$1,045	(\$213)	(20.4%)
Accommodation and food services	\$849	\$910	\$61	6.7%
Other services, except public admin	\$1,734	\$1,491	(\$243)	(16.3%)
Public Administration	\$2,588	\$2,810	\$222	7.9%

Source: U.S. Census, Local Employment Dynamics, 2008