Illinois Department of Human Services Region 3

Counties

Illinois’ Department of Human Services Region 3 is located in the north central part of the state and spans the western and eastern borders. It accounts for 23 of the 102 counties in Illinois and encompasses 15,804 square miles (28.5% of Illinois’ total square mileage). It is home to 11.2% of the state’s residents. During FY15, Region 3 was home to 28 Teen REACH sites. Also, as of December 2015 there were 48 21st CCLC sites located in Region 3. The Region 3 data below provides a snapshot of the population that can be used to identify the strengths and needs of the community.

DEMOGRAPHICS

Population¹

Total: 1,446,043 (11.2% of IL)

- Most Populated County: Champaign² - 204,214
- Least Populated County: Stark³ - 5,888

Sex

- Males: 714,289 (49.4%)
- Females: 731,754 (50.6%)

Age

- Under 5 years 85,842
- 5 to 9 years 88,420
- 10 to 14 years 90,215
- 15 to 19 years 107,607
- 20 to 24 years 125,697
- 25 to 34 years 182,067
- 35 to 44 years 169,589
- 45 to 54 years 193,528
- 55 to 59 years 97,784
- 60 to 64 years 85,894
- 65 to 74 years 115,447

¹ U.S. Census Bureau, 2010-2014 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates
² Champaign County 996.257 square miles
³ Stark County 288.079 square miles

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- 75 to 84 years: 70,928
- 85 years and over: 33,025

Youth Population
- 5-19: 286,242 (19.8%)
- 18-24 years of age: 178,075 (12.3%)

Race
- White: 1,186,580 (82.1%)
- Black/African American: 110,406 (7.6%)
- Hispanic/Latino: 77,791 (5.4%)
- Asian: 42,076 (2.9%)
- American Indian & Alaska Native: 2,294 (0.16%)
- Native Hawaiian & other Pacific Islander: 223 (0.02%)
- Some other race: 1,905 (0.13%)
- Two or more races: 24,768 (1.7%)

EDUCATION

School Enrollment:
- Total enrolled K-12: 234,299 (10.4% of Illinois' total K-12 enrollment)
  - County with the greatest student enrollment K-12: Peoria 31,584
  - County with least student enrollment K-12: Putnam 911
- Total 18-24 year olds in Region 3 enrolled in college or graduate school: 101,440 or 57% (18.1% of Illinois' 18-24 year old college or graduate students)

Educational Attainment (of those ages 25 to 64)
- No high school diploma or GED: 56,147 or 7.7%
  - County with the greatest percentage of non-HS graduates: Livingston 11.9%
- High school graduate (includes equivalency): 213,259 or 29.3%
- Some college or associate's degree: 249,667 or 34.3%
- Bachelor's degree or higher: 209,789 or 28.8%
  - County with the greatest percentage college graduates: McLean 46.5%

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4 Unless otherwise stated estimates represent “race alone”
5 Note UIUC is located in Champaign County where 79.2% of 18-24 year olds are enrolled in college or graduate school. ISU is located in McLean County where 69.7% of 18-24 year olds are enrolled in college or graduate school.
6 Educational attainment refers to the highest level of education that an individual has completed. This is distinct from the level of schooling that an individual is attending.
ECONOMY

Workforce
- Total Labor Force: **734,414**
- Total Employed\(^7\): **673,713**
  - County with the Greatest Unemployment Rate: **Vermilion 11.9%**
  - County with the Least Unemployment Rate: **Henry 5.8%**

HOUSEHOLDS
- Total Households in Region 3: **571,896**
- Region 3 households with children under 18 years of age\(^8\): **165,380 or 28.9%**

Household Income\(^9\)
- County with greatest median income: **Woodford $68,119**
- County with the least median income: **McDonough $37,959**

Households Receiving SNAP Benefits
- Region 3 households receiving SNAP benefits: **64,368 or 11.3%**
  - County with greatest median income/household receiving SNAP: **Putnam $26,071**
  - County with least median income/household receiving SNAP: **Fulton $15,633**
- Region 3 households with children under 18 receiving SNAP benefits: **34,852 or 21.1%**

Households and Poverty
- Region 3 households below poverty status: **82,366 or 14.4%**

HOUSING UNITS
- Total: **15,683**

HEALTH & NUTRITION

Food Insecurity\(^10\)
- Total food insecure people in Region 3: **202,140 (11.5% of Illinois)**

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\(^7\) According to the definition of the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), employed persons are persons who are: aged 16 or older, work for an employer or are self-employed, not volunteers, and not engaged in self-service such as homemaking, etc.
\(^8\) U.S. Census Bureau, 2010-2014 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates S2201: FOOD STAMPS/SNAP
\(^9\) U.S. Census Bureau, 2010-2014 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates Household income in the Past 12 Months (in 2014 inflation-adjusted dollars)
\(^10\) Feeding Illinois. Map the Meal Gap 2013. According to the USDA, food insecurity is the limited or uncertain availability of nutritionally adequate and safe foods or limited or uncertain ability to acquire acceptable foods in socially acceptable ways.
- Counties with greatest percentage of food insecurity: **Champaign and Vermilion 17.2%**
- County with least percentage of food insecurity: **Woodford 10.6%**