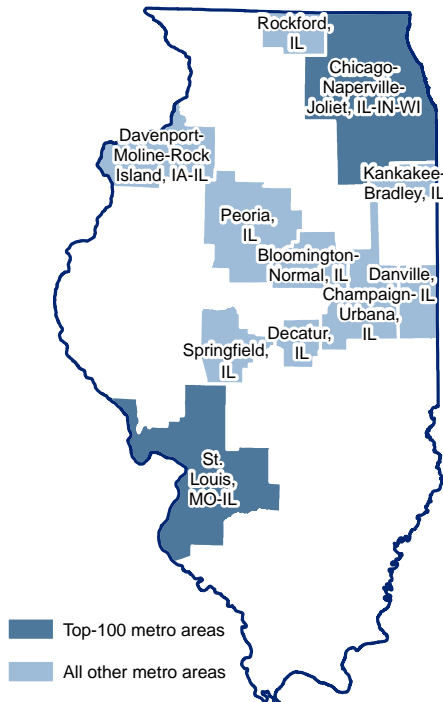




MetroNation Profile: Illinois's Metropolitan Areas

This state profile demonstrates the importance of Illinois's metropolitan areas, in terms of their contribution to the state's population, employment, and economic output.



Illinois has two of the nation's 100 largest metropolitan areas—Chicago and St. Louis—which alone account for 73 percent of the state's population, 75 percent of the state's jobs, and 82 percent of the state's gross domestic product (GDP).

All 11 of Illinois's metros constitute 87 percent of the state's population, 89 percent of the state's jobs, and 93 percent of the state's GDP.

Rank* Metro area	Population		Jobs		GDP	
	Total	Share of state	Total	Share of state	Total (in millions)	Share of state
3 Chicago-Naperville-Joliet, IL-IN-WI	8,590,885	67.3%	4,297,994	70.3%	\$436,376	78.5%
17 St. Louis, MO-IL	685,406	5.4%	255,329	4.2%	\$17,684	3.2%
Illinois metros in top 100 nationally	9,276,291	72.7%	4,553,323	74.5%	\$454,061	81.7%
118 Peoria, IL	368,364	2.9%	187,236	3.1%	\$14,418	2.6%
145 Rockford, IL	342,058	2.7%	159,106	2.6%	\$10,886	2.0%
180 Champaign-Urbana, IL	215,469	1.7%	115,360	1.9%	\$6,986	1.3%
181 Springfield, IL	205,276	1.6%	114,230	1.9%	\$7,739	1.4%
115 Davenport-Moline-Rock Island, IA-IL	214,802	1.7%	103,119	1.7%	\$8,141	1.5%
209 Bloomington-Normal, IL	158,977	1.2%	92,645	1.5%	\$7,099	1.3%
295 Decatur, IL	109,835	0.9%	56,839	0.9%	\$4,755	0.9%
346 Kankakee-Bradley, IL	107,824	0.8%	43,927	0.7%	\$2,690	0.5%
361 Danville, IL	82,178	0.6%	33,055	0.5%	\$2,052	0.4%
All 11 Illinois metros	11,081,074	86.8%	5,458,840	89.3%	\$518,827	93.4%

*Employment rank among all metro areas nationwide, based on Bureau of Economic Analysis 2005 wage and salary employment; rank is for entire metro, which may include areas outside of the state. However, population, jobs, and GDP numbers only include the in-state portions of the metros

Source: Brookings analysis of U.S. Census Bureau and Bureau of Economic Analysis data