

Illinois Job Index:

MSA Report

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NOTE: The US Bureau of Labor Statistics and the Illinois Department of Employment Security changed the way national and state employment data are coordinated to be more consistent. As a result, there have been some significant changes in estimates for Illinois over the past year.

As a companion to the September 2009 Illinois Job Index that reports a **negative** rating, this MSA Report provides a localized picture on Illinois job growth and allows for comparisons between local economies, Illinois, the Nation and the Rest of the Midwest.

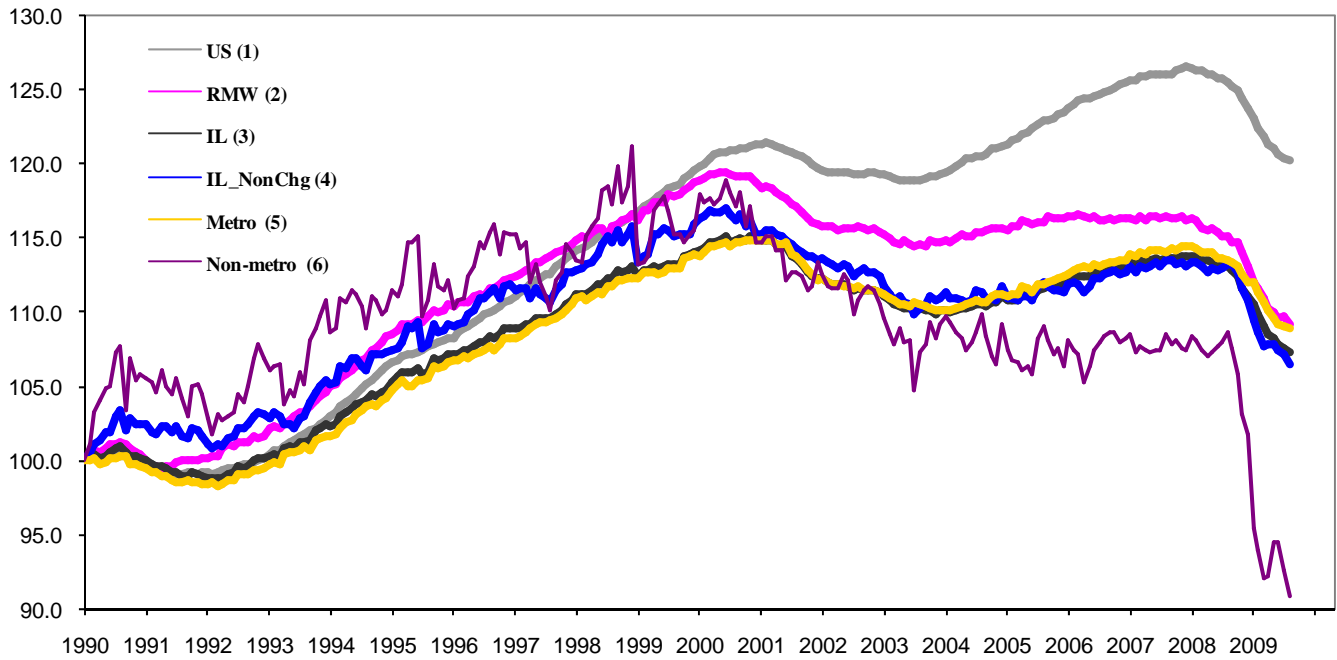
Sep 2009	Total non-farm employment	Aug 2009 Number of Jobs	July 2009 – Aug 2009		Last 12 months	
			Growth Rate (%)	Number of Jobs	Growth Rate (%)	Number of Jobs
	Nation	131,223,000	-0.16	-216,000	-4.25	-5,830,000
	Rest of Midwest (RMW)	18,654,200	-0.48	-90,000	-5.19	-1,021,000
	Illinois	5,648,400	-0.34	-19,200	-5.14	-306,100
	Illinois Metro	5,216,698	-0.20	-10,700	-4.08	-221,700
	Illinois non-Metro (Rural)	431,702	-1.94	-8,500	-16.35	-84,400
	Illinois Chicago (Upstate)	4,041,398	-0.24	-9,600	-4.83	-205,000
	Illinois non-Chicago	1,607,002	-0.59	-9,600	-5.92	-101,100

The monthly Illinois Job Index and MSA Report are provided as tools for elected officials, policy leaders and the public. We can better understand the Illinois economy and business climate by comparing and measuring Illinois employment growth rates against those of the Rest of the Midwest (RMW: Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Missouri, Ohio and Wisconsin) and the Nation. Data and analysis is provided by the Illinois Economic Observatory / Regional Economics Applications Laboratory, University of Illinois. The MSA data (unless noted) were seasonally adjusted to be consistent with state totals.

Talking Points

<p>State, Downstate & Metro</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Illinois lost 19,200 jobs at a rate of -0.34% in August, compared to a revised loss of 15,200 jobs in July. Illinois has lost 306,100 jobs since the financial crisis developed in September, 2008 The major geographic divisions, Chicago-Downstate or Metro-Non-metro all lost jobs in August. However, three out of the ten Metro areas added jobs this month. Illinois Non-metro shed 8,500 jobs at -1.94% this month, compared to a revised 9,200 job loss in July. At the same time, Metro posted a loss of -0.20%, losing 10,700 jobs, compared to a revised 6,000 job loss in the previous month. Chicago lost 9,600 jobs at -0.24% in August. Downstate lost 9,600 jobs at -0.59 %, compared to a revised 4,900 job loss in July. Over the last 12-months, Illinois recorded a payroll cut of 306,100 jobs at -5.14%. This is the worst 12-month growth rate since the index started in Jan 1990. In terms of the 12-month aggregated account, Metro registered a negative -4.08% growth by shedding 221,700 jobs whereas Non-Metro lost 84,400 jobs at -16.35%. Chicago lost 205,000 jobs at -4.83% whereas Downstate lost 101,100 jobs at -5.92%.
<p>MSA page (2-4)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Illinois Metro posted a negative growth rate of -0.20% by shedding 10,700 jobs in July. Out of the ten MSAs, Rockford, Metro-East, and Kankakee recorded positive growth. In terms of growth performance, six MSAs posted a net improvement from July to August, three declined and one MSA kept the same rank. Metro-East ranked as the first in terms of 12-month growth performance, while Chicago ranked as the last. Over the last 12-month period, Metro-East grew the fastest at 2.28% by adding 5,400 jobs. Of the nine MSAs that posted negative growth rates, Chicago had the biggest loss of 205,000 jobs at -4.83%.

Total non-farm Employment growth Jan 1990 – Aug 2009



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State, Downstate & Metro

- While the average growth for Illinois' 1990 to 2008 was 0.04%, the average from Jan 2008 to August 2009 is -0.29%, which is worse than the performance during the 2000-2001 downturn.
- Over the last 12-month period, the average growth rate for Metro was -0.35% and for Non-metro it was -1.45%.
- In contrast to the aggregate trend since January 1990, Illinois performed better than the RMW in terms of yearly aggregated trend both in 2008 and 2009.
- Downstate registered a -0.49% average growth rate in 2009 compared to an average gain of 0.04% in 2006 and 0.10% growth in 2007.

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Total non-farm employment Seasonally adjusted unless noted*	Aug 2009 Number of Jobs	July 2009 – Aug 2009			Last 12 months	
		Growth compared to Illinois	Growth Rate %	Number Of Jobs	Growth Rate %	Number of Jobs
Bloomington-Normal (B-N)	91,000	+	-0.34	-300	-1.03	-900
Champaign-Urbana (C-U-R)	113,100	-	-0.60	-700	-0.22	-300
Chicago	4,041,400	+	-0.24	-9,600	-4.83	-205,000
Davenport-Rock Island-Moline (D-R-M)	186,900	+	-0.02	-100	-1.58	-3,000
Decatur	52,500	-	-0.47	-200	-4.49	-2,500
Kankakee	42,700	+	0.08	100	-3.31	-1,500
Peoria	184,000	+	-0.05	-100	-3.22	-6,100
Rockford	153,900	+	0.21	300	-2.82	-4,500
Springfield	109,200	+	-0.29	-300	-2.97	-3,300
Metro-East	241,800	+	0.10	200	2.28	5,400
Illinois			-0.34	-19,200	-5.14	-306,100

MSA League Tables*: Non-farm Employment Growth Rate

Monthly growth:

Rank	July 2009	Aug 2009	Rank	Change**
1	Champaign-Urbana-Rantoul (1.59%)	Rockford (0.21%)	1	↑(+2)
2	Metro-East (1.18%)	Metro-East (0.1%)	2	←(0)
3	Rockford (0.34%)	Kankakee (0.08%)	3	↑(+4)
4	Bloomington-Normal (0.19%)	Davenport-Rock Island-Moline (-0.02%)	4	↑(+4)
5	Springfield (-0.05%)	Peoria (-0.05%)	5	↑(+1)
6	Peoria (-0.09%)	Chicago (-0.24%)	6	↑(+3)
7	Kankakee (-0.24%)	Springfield (-0.29%)	7	↓(-2)
8	Davenport-Rock Island-Moline (-0.24%)	Bloomington-Normal(-0.34%)	8	↓(-4)
9	Chicago (-0.25%)	Decatur(-0.47%)	9	↑(+1)
10	Decatur (-0.31%)	Champaign-Urbana-Rantoul (-0.60%)	10	↓(-9)

Growth over last 12-months:

Rank	July 2009	Aug 2009	Rank	Change**
1	Metro-East (2.37%)	Metro-East (2.28%)	1	←(0)
2	Champaign-Urbana-Rantoul (0.28%)	Champaign-Urbana-Rantoul (-0.22%)	2	←(0)
3	Bloomington-Normal (-0.38%)	Bloomington-Normal (-1.03%)	3	←(0)
4	Davenport-Rock Island-Moline (-1.33%)	Davenport-Rock Island-Moline (-1.58%)	4	←(0)
5	Springfield (-2.71%)	Rockford (-2.82%)	5	↑(+2)
6	Peoria (-2.87%)	Springfield (-2.97%)	6	↓(-1)
7	Rockford (-3.12%)	Peoria(-3.22%)	7	↓(-1)
8	Kankakee (-3.57%)	Kankakee (-3.31%)	8	←(0)
9	Decatur (-3.92%)	Decatur(-4.49%)	9	←(0)
10	Chicago (-4.75%)	Chicago (-4.83%)	10	←(0)

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MSA League Tables

- The most remarkable upward moves in August were by Kankakee (7th to 3rd) and Davenport-Rock Island-Moline (8th to 4th), which both moved up by 4 spots.
- Chicago (9th to 6th), Rockford (3rd to 1st), Peoria (6th to 5th), and Decatur (10th to 9th) also gained in terms of rank from last month.
- Champaign-Urbana-Rantoul (1st to 10th) experienced deepest fall this month.
- Bloomington-Normal (4th to 8th), and Springfield (5th to 6th) both experienced falls in August.
- In the 12 months growth league table, the only upward move was recorded for Rockford (7th to 5th), while the downward moves were by Springfield (5th to 6th) and Peoria (6th to 7th).
- Other seven MSAs maintained the same ranks.
- Metro-East is still on top, while Chicago is still in last place.

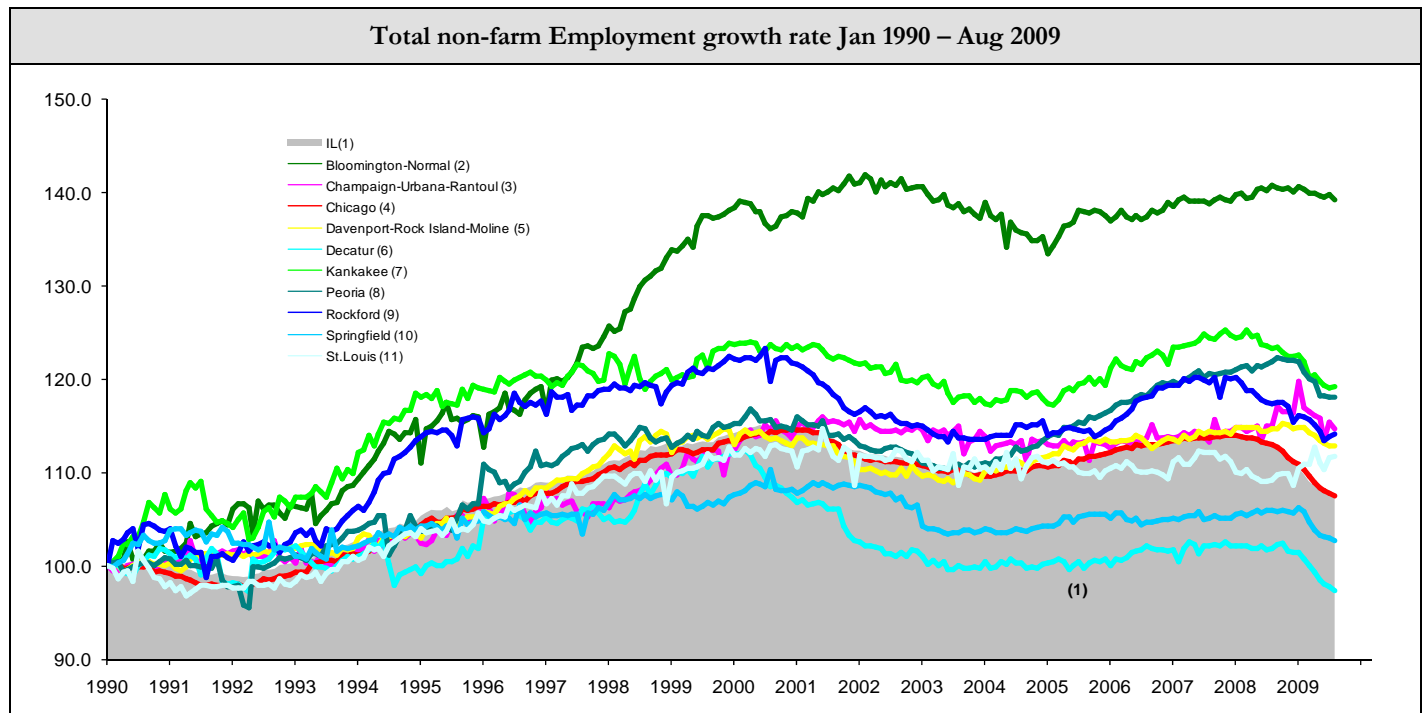
*MSA League Tables are based on revised employment data. For instances of equal growth rate for multiple MSAs ranks are decided based on change of growth rate from previous month.

**Changes indicate change in rank position compared to previous month and correspond to the MSA at the right column. Rise is indicated by a '↑' and decline by a '↓', and for an unchanged position a '←' is used. Figures in parenthesis indicate relative rank change from previous month.

Shaded area on above chart represents Illinois growth.

Aug 2009 MSA Employment by sectors (000s) *										
Market Area	Construction	Manufacturing	Trade, transportation & utilities	Information	Financial activities	Professional & business services	Education & health	Leisure & hospitality	Other Services	Government
Bloomington-Normal	2.90	5.24	13.70	1.01	12.09	17.53	9.61	10.15	3.18	15.68
Champaign-Urbana	4.39	9.52	18.66	2.45	4.57	8.40	13.32	10.81	3.39	37.52
Chicago	157.40	390.17	828.14	81.04	285.96	669.39	564.14	360.85	182.46	522.68
Davenport-Rock Island-Moline	8.97	25.77	39.26	2.98	8.44	23.07	25.10	18.18	7.19	28.00
Decatur	3.70	10.38	10.82	0.81	1.98	3.17	8.13	5.00	2.74	5.79
Kankakee	1.67	4.79	10.60	0.50	1.89	2.98	8.03	3.66	1.82	6.84
Peoria	9.01	28.13	34.16	2.50	8.82	22.13	32.56	17.83	7.72	21.21
Rockford	6.43	29.69	28.89	2.11	6.38	18.11	22.99	12.58	9.42	17.11
Springfield	4.69	3.26	17.49	2.32	7.23	10.75	17.09	10.31	6.55	29.58

* The Illinois Department of Employment Security does not collect sector employment data for Metro-East



MSA DESCRIPTION: **Bloomington-Normal (B-N)**: McLean Co. **Champaign-Urbana (C-U-R)**: Champaign Co., Ford Co. & Piatt Co. **Chicago**: Cook Co. IL, DeKalb Co. IL, DuPage Co. IL, Grundy Co. IL, Kane Co. IL, Kendall Co. IL, Lake Co. IL, McHenry Co. IL, Will Co. IL & Kenosha Co. WI **Davenport-Moline-Rock Island (D-R-M)**: Henry Co. IL, Mercer Co. IL, Rock Island Co. IL & Scott Co. IA **Decatur**: Macon Co. **Kankakee**: Kankakee Co. **Metro-East**: Bond Co., Calhoun Co., Clinton Co., Jersey Co., Macoupin Co., Madison Co., Monroe Co. & St. Clair Co. **Peoria-Pekin (Peoria)**: Marshall Co., Peoria Co., Stark Co., Tazewell Co. & Woodford Co. **Rockford**: Boone Co. & Winnebago Co. **Springfield**: Menard Co. & Sangamon Co.

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