Growth Rates for Illinois and MSAs
1990-2003

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Introduction

• Analysis presented here focuses on the growth experience for Illinois
  • Including Chicago Metropolitan region
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• Data at substate level less comprehensive – only a few sectors available
• Second part examines MSA experience
Total Non-Farm Employment

• Growth rates in Rest of Illinois (Illinois without Chicago) consistently above those for the Chicago region

• Caution needs to be exercised in interpretation since two parts of the state are interdependent
IL and IL-NonChicago -- Total NonFarm
Manufacturing Employment

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• 2001-present two regions move in parallel
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IL and IL-NonChicago -- Manufacturing
Information Employment

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IL and IL-NonChicago -- Information
Total Nonfarm Employment by MSA

• Variety of experiences

• Above state average growth rates
  • Bloomington-Normal, Kankakee, Rockford, Peoria

• Note: B-N’s rate strongly influenced by 400% increase in informatics (from 1,000 to over 4,000 employees)

• About the state average
  • Chicago, Davenport-Rock Island-Moline, Champaign-Urbana

• Below the state average
  • Springfield, Decatur
Shaded area is Illinois growth
Manufacturing Employment by MSA

• Kankakee “bright spot” – grew the most, declined the least

• Decatur and Peoria (impact of Cat strike evident) perform least well

• Bloomington-Normal affected by decline in auto production
Manufacturing by MSA
Information Employment

• Little differentiation except for Bloomington-Normal

• As noted, the base of 1,000 jumped to over 4,000 employees