



Strategic Agricultural Visioning and Economic Development Du Page County



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Census of Agriculture	Year			Pct. Chg. 1992-2002
	1992	1997	2002	
Farm Characteristics				
Number of Farms	95	93	79	(16.8)
Land in Farms (acres)	18,206	17,103	7,683	(57.8)
Average Size of Farm (acres)	192	184	97	(49.5)
Percent of Land:				
Harvested Cropland	81.0	74.5	65.4	(19.2)
Pasture	5.9	5.1	12.4	109.2
Woodland	7.0	12.4	3.6	(48.4)
Used for House Lots, Ponds, Roads, Wasteland, Etc.	6.1	7.9	18.5	203.5
Estimated Market Value of Land and Buildings:				
Average Per Farm	\$588,431	\$765,777	\$462,187	(21.5)
Inflation Adjusted (1992=100.0)	\$588,431	\$669,385	\$360,436	(38.7)
Average Per Acre	\$3,729	\$4,164	\$5,056	35.6
Inflation Adjusted (1992=100.0)	\$3,729	\$3,640	\$3,943	5.7
Farm Production Characteristics				
Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold (\$1,000)	\$20,349	\$17,637	\$9,122	(55.2)
Rank In State (1=Selling Most and 102=Selling Least)	93	96	100	7.5
Average Per Farm	\$214,199	\$189,644	\$115,466	(46.1)
Inflation Adjusted (1992=100.0)	\$214,199	\$165,773	\$90,046	(58.0)
Crops, Including Nursery and Greenhouse Crops (\$1,000)	\$20,000	\$17,052	\$8,946	(55.3)
Livestock, Poultry, and Their Products (\$1,000)	\$349	\$585	\$176	(49.6)
Number of Farms Selling Livestock:				
Cattle and Calves	9	6	4	(55.6)
Hogs and Pigs	3	2	1	(66.7)
Number of Livestock Sold:				
Cattle and Calves	143	89	45	(68.5)
Hogs and Pigs	-	-	-	NA
Number of Farms with Harvested Crops:				
Corn for Grain or Seed	26	26	15	(42.3)
Corn for Silage or Green Chop	2	-	-	(100.0)
Wheat for Grain	3	6	1	(66.7)
Soybeans for Beans	30	17	14	(53.3)
Acres Harvested:				
Corn for Grain or Seed	7,768	6,461	2,431	(68.7)
Corn for Silage or Green Chop	-	-	-	NA
Wheat for Grain	-	274	-	NA
Soybeans for Beans	5,914	5,188	1,777	(70.0)
Quantity of Harvested Crops:				
Corn for Grain or Seed (bushels)	797,479	838,389	292,310	(63.3)
Corn for Silage or Green Chop (tons, greens)	-	-	-	NA
Wheat for Grain (bushels)	-	17,397	-	NA
Soybeans for Beans (bushels)	214,844	231,596	80,079	(62.7)
Consumer Price Index (1992=100)	100.0	114.4	128.2	28.2

Du Page County Census of Population and Housing	Year		Change 1990-2000	Pct. Chg. 1990-2000
	1990	2000		
Population	781,689	904,161	122,472	15.7
Civilian Labor Force (Population 16 Years and Over)				
Employed	432,730	476,172	43,442	10.0
Unemployed	13,887	16,042	2,155	15.5
Rate	3.1	3.3	0.1	4.8
Industry Employment				
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, Hunting, and Mining	3,645	800	-2,845	-78.1
Manufacturing	78,437	71,402	-7,035	-9.0
Wholesale and Retail Trade	100,586	80,708	-19,878	-19.8
Finance, Insurance, Real Estate (F/I/RE)	41,382	46,314	4,932	11.9
Services	136,863	195,081	58,218	42.5
Public Administration	9,279	11,024	1,745	18.8
Other*	62,538	70,843	8,305	13.3

*Other consists of construction, transportation and warehousing, utilities, and information.

Du Page County Illinois Department of Revenue	Year		Change 1998-2001	Pct. Chg. 1998-2001
	1998	2001		
Equalized Assessed Value (EAV)				
Total	\$21,265,096,383	\$25,715,215,000	4,450,118,617	20.9
Residential	15,334,536,659	18,189,482,000	2,854,945,341	18.6
Farm	4,210,294	3,109,000	-1,101,294	-26.2
Commercial	4,188,425,178	5,246,934,000	1,058,508,822	25.3
Industrial	1,728,609,998	2,264,635,000	536,025,002	31.0
Railroad	9,314,254	11,054,000	1,739,746	18.7
Mineral	0	0	0	NA

State of Illinois Illinois Agricultural Statistics	Year			
	2000	2001	2002	2003
Cost to Grow Corn				
Yield	158	161	145	174
Cost Per Bushel	\$2.63	\$2.61	\$2.76	\$2.27
Annual Average Price	\$1.91	\$2.05	\$2.35	\$2.45
Management Margin	-\$0.72	-\$0.56	-\$0.41	\$0.18
Cost to Grow Soybeans				
Yield	47	48	48	38
Cost Per Bushel	\$7.29	\$6.99	\$6.79	\$8.42
Annual Average Price	\$4.62	\$4.50	\$5.66	\$7.35
Management Margin	-\$2.67	-\$2.49	-\$1.13	-\$1.07
Livestock Returns above Cost of Feed and Purchased Animals				
Hogs (per cwt.)	\$22.59	\$21.36	\$10.68	\$15.25
Feeder Pigs (per cwt.)	\$11.12	\$14.31	\$5.61	\$9.45
Feeder Cattle (per cwt.)	\$16.87	\$10.21	\$10.85	\$37.82
Dairy (per cow)	\$1,239	\$1,845	\$1,370	\$1,480
Beef Herd Calves Sold (per cow)	\$78	\$104	\$58	\$102

Agricultural Exports (State of Illinois)

Economic Research Service, USDA	Year			2004 as % of total
	2002	2003	2004	
Commodities (\$Million)				
Feed grains & products	1,055.4	994.1	1,340.2	36.7%
Soybeans & products	1,212.2	1,361.2	1,397.8	38.3%
Live animals & meat (exc. poultry)	273.9	269.8	247.0	6.8%
Wheat & products	115.6	109.0	152.6	4.2%
Feeds & fodders	56.0	55.2	57.2	1.6%
Hides & skins	48.0	48.5	51.1	1.4%
Seeds	11.9	6.4	6.3	0.2%
Fats, oils, & greases	14.1	17.0	20.6	0.6%
Other	331.8	341.3	381.5	10.4%
TOTAL	3,118.8	3,202.5	3,654.4	

Area Profile Comparison

Characteristic	Regional County Comparisons					
	Du Page	Will	Kendall	Kane	Cook	Grundy
Farm Characteristics						
Land in Farms (acres), 2002	7,683	265,490	168,082	198,227	23,836	213,467
Change from 1997 to 2002	-55.1%	-9.6%	0.4%	-5.6%	-39.5%	6.0%
Average Size of Farms (acres), 2002	97	320	408	320	113	524
Change from 1997 to 2002	-47.3%	-0.9%	7.4%	-0.9%	-31.9%	20.5%
Farming as Principal Occupation, 2002	38	537	296	422	111	296
Change from 1997 to 2002	-15.6%	-9.9%	-6.0%	-1.6%	-12.6%	27.6%
Farm Production Characteristics						
Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold, 2002 (\$1,000)	9,122	82,221	58,131	116,055	21,283	52,765
Change from 1997 to 2002	-48.3%	-23.3%	-1.1%	-5.4%	-0.5%	-10.9%
Percentage of Value From:						
Crop Sales, 2002	98.1%	93.0%	89.0%	87.2%	98.6%	94.1%
Livestock Sales, 2002	1.9%	7.0%	11.0%	12.8%	1.4%	5.9%
Average Market Value of Products Sold Per Farm	\$115,466	\$99,062	\$141,094	\$187,487	\$100,867	\$129,643
Change from 1997 to 2002	-39.1%	-15.9%	5.9%	-0.7%	11.8%	1.3%
Illinois Agricultural Statistics 2003						
Yield						
Corn	150	160	171	167	141	174
Soybeans	36	36	36	36	31	37
Cattle and Hog Sold						
Cattle and Calves Sold	45	1,761	2,471	7,468	8	1,823
Hogs Sold	-	26,403	55,089	69,082	-	13,474

Characteristic	Regional County Comparisons				State of Illinois	Nine County Regional Averages
	La Salle	De Kalb	McHenry	Lake		
Farm Characteristics						
Land in Farms (acres), 2002	579,141	359,352	233,458	38,860	27,204,780	208,760
Change from 1997 to 2002	-1.5%	-2.4%	-3.7%	-23.7%	-0.4%	-4.2%
Average Size of Farms (acres), 2002	392	440	268	115	372	300
Change from 1997 to 2002	5.4%	-1.1%	1.9%	-24.3%	0.5%	-1.5%
Farming as Principal Occupation, 2002	1084	629	514	156	41,645	408
Change from 1997 to 2002	-1.9%	-5.7%	-8.4%	-0.6%	-13.0%	-3.6%
Farm Production Characteristics						
Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold, 2002 (\$1,000)	161,703	174,540	91,616	28,259	8,556,486	79,570
Change from 1997 to 2002	-11.7%	-4.8%	-16.1%	-12.4%	-10.3%	-11.1%
Percentage of Value From:						
Crop Sales, 2002	90.5%	53.3%	75.3%	86.2%	76.5%	80.7%
Livestock Sales, 2002	9.5%	46.7%	24.7%	13.8%	23.5%	19.3%
Average Market Value of Products Sold Per Farm	\$109,407	\$213,897	\$105,306	\$83,855	\$117,130	\$128,608
Change from 1997 to 2002	-5.6%	-3.4%	-11.1%	-12.9%	-10.3%	-8.1%
Illinois Agricultural Statistics 2003						
Yield						
Corn	162	170	145	127	129	157
Soybeans	34	35	29	23	43	33
Cattle and Hog Sold						
Cattle and Calves Sold	13,854	45,843	10,068	389	659,000	8,373
Hogs Sold	35,706	588,222	47,679	227	8,339,000	83,588

2002 Agriculture Facts

National:

- In 2002, the number of farms in the United States was estimated at 2,128,982, down 1.98% from 2001.
- Total agricultural land in U.S. farms in 2002 was 938.279 million acres, down from 941.21 million in 2001. Land in farms has declined every year since reaching its peak at 1,206 million acres in 1954.

Illinois:

- 73,027 farms in Illinois contained 27.31 million acres of land.
- Average farm size was 374 acres.
- In 2002, cropland cash rent was \$122/acre.
- As of 2002, the average per acre nominal value of farm real estate was \$2,425/acre.
- Corn production totaled 1418.9 billion bushels, down 14.02 percent from 2001.
- The average yield for corn was 136 bu/acre.
- According to the Illinois Corn Growers Association, Investment by the ethanol industry in Illinois exceeds \$1 billion, generating 800 jobs in plant operations and 4,000 jobs in the industry-related service sector.
- Soybean production totaled 439 million bushels, 8.14% lower than 2001.
- Soybeans yielded an average of 43 bu/acre.
- Illinois pork producers produced 11,178,721 hogs.
- Cattle and calf production totaled 917,251 heads.
- During the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, Illinois' export shares totaled \$3.654 billion dollars, which ranked Illinois 3rd among all states in total agricultural exports. During the same year, Illinois ranked 1st in the export in soybeans and products, 2nd of feed grains and products, and 7th in live animals and meat.

Du Page County

- 0.3 million bushels of corn were produced on 2,431 acres resulting in an average yield of 92 bu/acre. Total cash receipts were \$1.9 million.
- 0.1 million bushels of soybeans were produced on 1,777 acres resulting in an average yield of 38.0 bu/acre. Total cash receipts were \$1.2 million.
- 0 was the number of hogs and pigs with cash receipts for hogs and pigs totaling \$0.0 million.
- 0 was the number of beef cows with cash receipts totaling \$0.0 million.

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