

About Illinois Children: Demographics

Child Population

Definition and Source

Children are defined as people ages birth through 17. The 2000 Census was the first that allowed respondents to select more than one racial category. We have chosen to combine these people into one category called “two or more races.” Hispanic is people who classified themselves as Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban or “other Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino.” People who are Hispanic may be of any race. The 2003 child population data are an estimate calculated annually by the U.S. Census Bureau’s Population Estimates Program; July 1 is used as a reference date. The 2000 population data and race/ethnicity data are from the 2000 Census Summary File 1.

Trends and Key Findings

The number of children in Illinois grew 9.6 percent since 1990, to more than 3.2 million in 2003. Counties experiencing the biggest drop in child population of 20 percent or greater – Alexander, Hardin, Jasper, Warren and White – are largely located in the southern tip of Illinois. Counties seeing a significant increase in the number of children of 20 percent or greater – Boone, DeKalb, Kane, Kendall, Lake, McHenry, McLean and Will – are concentrated in metropolitan Chicago.

Illinois’ child population is becoming increasingly diverse. Most children (66.8 percent) are white, 18.7 percent are African-American, 17 percent are Hispanic and 3.1 percent are Asian. About 3 percent of Illinois children are of two or more races. The child population is most diverse in urban counties like Champaign, Cook, Peoria, Rock Island, St. Clair and Winnebago; metropolitan Chicago counties like Kane, Kankakee, Lake and Will; and rural downstate counties like Alexander, Jackson, Macon and Pulaski.

CHILD POPULATION

				BY RACE AND ETHNICITY, 2000 (%)						TWO OR MORE RACES
	1990	2003	% CHANGE	WHITE	BLACK	HISPANIC	ASIAN	OTHER		
Illinois	2,946,366	3,230,606	9.6	66.8	18.7	17.0	3.1	8.6	3.1	
Adams	17,043	16,110	-5.5	92.6	4.3	1.3	0.4	0.7	2.0	
Alexander	3,065	2,326	-24.1	52.2	45.1	1.2	0.2	0.6	2.0	
Bond	3,681	3,693	0.3	93.2	4.0	1.9	0.2	1.2	1.5	
Boone	8,607	12,852	49.3	86.4	1.2	17.1	0.4	9.4	2.9	
Brown	1,281	1,112	-13.2	97.6	0.3	1.4	0.0	0.7	1.4	
Bureau	9,425	8,222	-12.8	94.8	0.7	8.2	0.5	2.4	1.6	
Calhoun	1,291	1,063	-17.7	99.0	0.0	0.8	0.2	0.6	0.3	
Carrroll	4,223	3,594	-14.9	94.5	0.7	3.8	0.6	1.9	2.4	
Cass	3,482	3,452	-0.9	92.1	0.7	12.2	0.3	5.4	1.5	
Champaign	37,766	38,548	2.1	73.2	17.3	3.0	4.0	1.7	3.9	
Christian	8,711	8,087	-7.2	97.6	0.6	0.9	0.6	0.5	0.8	
Clark	3,916	3,971	1.4	98.0	0.5	0.5	0.1	0.4	0.9	
Clay	3,678	3,334	-9.4	97.6	0.2	1.2	0.7	0.8	0.6	
Clinton	9,165	8,313	-9.3	96.2	1.4	1.8	0.3	1.0	1.2	
Coles	10,706	9,958	-7.0	94.3	2.3	1.9	0.7	0.7	1.9	
Cook	1,280,045	1,385,127	8.2	46.1	32.2	27.4	4.1	14.6	3.6	
Crawford	4,823	4,218	-12.5	96.1	1.1	1.7	0.5	1.0	1.3	
Cumberland	2,990	2,696	-9.8	98.7	0.2	0.8	0.2	0.4	0.5	
De Kalb	16,682	20,890	25.2	88.3	4.0	9.1	1.3	3.8	2.8	
De Witt	4,253	3,925	-7.7	96.8	0.4	2.1	0.3	1.2	1.4	
Douglas	5,488	5,169	-5.8	96.1	0.4	4.8	0.3	2.1	1.1	
Du Page	206,416	239,742	16.1	81.1	3.7	11.8	8.0	4.3	2.9	
Edgar	5,007	4,313	-13.9	98.0	0.5	1.2	0.2	0.5	0.9	
Edwards	1,830	1,512	-17.4	98.1	0.1	1.2	0.7	0.4	0.7	
Effingham	9,559	9,199	-3.8	98.2	0.3	1.0	0.3	0.6	0.6	
Fayette	5,213	4,850	-7.0	98.4	0.2	0.7	0.1	0.4	0.9	
Ford	3,690	3,463	-6.2	97.3	0.2	1.9	0.3	0.6	1.5	
Franklin	9,683	8,693	-10.2	98.2	0.1	1.1	0.2	0.5	0.9	
Fulton	9,304	7,923	-14.8	97.3	0.6	1.4	0.3	0.7	1.1	
Gallatin	1,638	1,323	-19.2	97.7	0.2	1.3	0.1	1.5	0.5	
Greene	4,059	3,490	-14.0	98.0	0.2	0.8	0.2	0.4	1.1	
Grundy	8,936	9,734	8.9	95.7	0.2	6.5	0.3	2.2	1.6	
Hamilton	2,043	1,849	-9.5	97.3	1.2	1.2	0.0	0.6	0.9	
Hancock	5,486	4,400	-19.8	98.0	0.4	0.8	0.3	0.5	0.9	
Hardin	1,231	890	-27.7	96.4	0.8	1.2	1.0	0.5	1.2	
Henderson	2,070	1,706	-17.6	97.7	0.8	1.3	0.2	0.3	1.1	
Henry	13,755	11,857	-13.8	93.6	1.7	5.0	0.3	2.3	2.2	
Iroquois	7,971	7,341	-7.9	93.2	1.3	6.8	0.4	3.7	1.5	
Jackson	11,600	11,267	-2.9	73.3	19.0	3.3	2.3	2.0	3.4	
Jasper	2,998	2,341	-21.9	98.6	0.2	0.8	0.3	0.5	0.4	
Jefferson	9,947	9,310	-6.4	87.4	8.8	1.7	0.5	0.9	2.5	
Jersey	5,508	5,114	-7.2	97.1	1.0	0.9	0.3	0.4	1.2	
Jo Daviess	5,716	4,836	-15.4	97.9	0.3	2.1	0.1	0.8	0.9	
Johnson	2,248	2,326	3.5	96.4	0.7	2.1	0.2	1.2	1.6	
Kane	94,525	134,210	42.0	73.5	7.4	30.3	1.7	14.3	3.6	
Kankakee	27,090	27,722	2.3	72.0	21.4	6.9	0.6	3.5	2.6	
Kendall	11,793	18,002	52.6	90.4	1.5	10.4	0.9	4.8	2.5	
Knox	13,480	11,719	-13.1	86.7	7.0	5.0	0.5	2.2	3.8	
Lake	142,472	194,130	36.3	76.2	8.1	18.2	3.7	9.0	3.3	
LaSalle	27,194	26,922	-1.0	93.3	1.3	8.0	0.6	2.7	2.2	
Lawrence	3,795	3,298	-13.1	96.9	0.7	1.7	0.1	0.6	1.6	

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	1990	2003	% CHANGE	By RACE AND ETHNICITY, 2000 (%)					
				WHITE	TWO OR BLACK	HISPANIC	ASIAN	OTHER	MORE RACES
Lee	8,915	8,079	-9.4	94.5	1.8	4.2	0.7	0.8	2.2
Livingston	9,811	9,476	-3.4	95.1	1.5	3.5	0.3	1.7	1.6
Logan	7,332	6,309	-14.0	95.6	2.0	1.5	0.5	0.6	1.4
Macon	30,407	26,701	-12.2	74.7	20.5	1.5	0.6	0.8	3.4
Macoupin	12,331	11,313	-8.3	97.1	1.2	1.0	0.2	0.5	1.0
Madison	63,748	62,432	-2.1	85.8	10.4	2.2	0.6	1.1	2.2
Marion	11,079	9,969	-10.0	90.8	5.4	1.5	0.7	0.8	2.4
Marshall	3,234	2,878	-11.0	96.5	0.9	1.9	0.4	0.7	1.5
Mason	4,235	3,690	-12.9	98.2	0.2	0.6	0.2	0.5	0.9
Massac	3,503	3,393	-3.1	89.9	6.3	1.3	0.2	0.8	2.9
McDonough	6,487	5,472	-15.6	92.2	3.7	1.7	1.5	0.7	1.8
McHenry	53,272	80,759	51.6	92.5	0.7	9.3	1.4	3.4	1.9
McLean	29,822	35,849	20.2	84.7	8.7	3.7	1.8	1.7	3.2
Menard	3,067	3,055	-0.4	97.8	0.5	1.3	0.2	0.8	0.8
Mercer	4,603	3,971	-13.7	97.0	0.4	2.4	0.2	1.0	1.5
Monroe	5,990	7,185	19.9	98.2	0.1	1.1	0.5	0.5	0.7
Montgomery	7,821	6,756	-13.6	97.6	0.7	1.0	0.3	0.6	0.9
Morgan	8,869	7,842	-11.6	90.3	5.7	1.7	0.5	1.2	2.4
Moultrie	3,662	3,536	-3.4	98.4	0.3	0.5	0.1	0.4	0.8
Ogle	12,599	13,384	6.2	93.3	0.6	8.7	0.4	3.8	2.0
Peoria	47,505	45,568	-4.1	67.5	25.4	3.2	1.5	1.8	3.8
Perry	5,648	4,731	-16.2	93.9	3.2	1.8	0.3	0.9	1.7
Piatt	3,989	3,784	-5.1	98.0	0.5	1.2	0.2	0.4	0.9
Pike	4,365	3,818	-12.5	98.4	0.1	0.6	0.2	0.5	0.9
Pope	1,008	828	-17.9	92.0	4.3	0.9	0.2	1.5	2.0
Pulaski	2,172	1,865	-14.1	56.9	40.5	1.5	0.2	0.7	1.8
Putnam	1,498	1,398	-6.7	95.4	1.3	4.7	0.5	1.7	1.2
Randolph	8,394	7,026	-16.3	93.2	4.5	1.4	0.4	0.5	1.5
Richland	4,302	3,647	-15.2	97.2	0.5	1.4	0.7	0.5	1.2
Rock Island	37,909	34,560	-8.8	77.6	10.7	13.8	1.1	6.6	4.3
Saint Clair	74,809	68,769	-8.1	58.7	36.8	2.9	0.8	1.5	2.4
Saline	6,408	6,066	-5.3	89.6	7.2	1.7	0.3	1.2	1.7
Sangamon	45,551	46,526	2.1	80.8	14.5	1.6	1.1	1.0	2.6
Schuyler	1,859	1,531	-17.6	97.9	0.5	1.3	0.2	0.4	0.9
Scott	1,479	1,274	-13.9	99.6	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.1
Shelby	5,751	5,170	-10.1	98.5	0.2	0.7	0.2	0.4	0.7
Stark	1,680	1,473	-12.3	97.5	0.1	1.8	0.2	0.6	1.6
Stephenson	12,391	11,644	-6.0	82.8	11.3	2.5	0.9	1.3	3.7
Tazewell	32,699	29,625	-9.4	97.0	0.5	1.5	0.6	0.6	1.3
Union	4,087	4,060	-0.7	94.3	0.5	5.0	0.4	2.8	2.0
Vermilion	22,868	20,145	-11.9	80.4	13.6	4.7	0.7	2.6	2.8
Wabash	3,410	2,897	-15.0	96.7	0.5	1.0	0.3	0.7	1.9
Warren	4,974	3,970	-20.2	93.2	1.7	4.6	0.3	2.3	2.5
Washington	3,931	3,660	-6.9	98.1	0.5	1.1	0.2	0.5	0.7
Wayne	4,226	3,811	-9.8	97.8	0.3	1.1	0.5	0.4	1.1
White	3,908	3,104	-20.6	97.1	0.2	1.1	0.4	0.7	1.6
Whiteside	16,158	14,262	-11.7	88.7	1.5	13.1	0.6	6.2	3.2
Will	106,447	166,878	56.8	78.4	11.8	11.1	2.2	4.8	2.9
Williamson	13,835	13,728	-0.8	93.2	3.2	2.0	0.5	1.0	2.2
Winnebago	66,304	73,482	10.8	74.6	14.9	10.4	2.0	5.0	3.7
Woodford	9,436	9,115	-3.4	97.8	0.4	0.9	0.3	0.4	1.2
Chicago	722,704	NA	NA	30.0	44.3	35.0	3.1	19.6	3.7

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Births

Definition and Source

This figure indicates the total number of live births in 1990 and 2002. Data are from the Illinois Department of Public Health.

Trends and Key Findings

The number of births in Illinois decreased 7.6 percent between 1990 and 2002, falling from 195,499 to 180,555. Most counties saw decreases in the number of births, with the biggest drops of more than 25 percent in Edwards, Gallatin, Henderson, Schuyler and Wabash counties. A baby boom is happening in metropolitan Chicago, with Kane, Kendall, McHenry and Will counties reporting a more than 20 percent increase in the number of births. Boone and Clark counties also experienced a sharp increase in births.

BIRTHS

	1990	2002	% CHANGE
Illinois	195,499	180,555	-7.6
Adams	960	760	-20.8
Alexander	192	129	-32.8
Bond	195	172	-11.8
Boone	462	629	36.1
Brown	68	54	-20.6
Bureau	449	434	-3.3
Calhoun	53	48	-9.4
Carroll	222	191	-14.0
Cass	187	185	-1.1
Champaign	2,574	2,226	-13.5
Christian	476	396	-16.8
Clark	135	174	28.9
Clay	212	178	-16.0
Clinton	422	361	-14.5
Coles	580	570	-1.7
Cook	97,005	81,567	-15.9
Crawford	224	192	-14.3
Cumberland	154	123	-20.1
De Kalb	1,024	1,128	10.2
De Witt	221	203	-8.1
Douglas	252	288	14.3
Du Page	13,860	12,811	-7.6
Edgar	189	215	13.8
Edwards	97	67	-30.9
Effingham	556	428	-23.0
Fayette	258	244	-5.4
Ford	161	155	-3.7
Franklin	481	470	-2.3
Fulton	428	400	-6.5
Gallatin	102	62	-39.2
Greene	196	151	-23.0
Grundy	499	483	-3.2
Hamilton	90	84	-6.7
Hancock	259	214	-17.4
Hardin	47	44	-6.4
Henderson	105	59	-43.8
Henry	616	551	-10.6
Iroquois	405	355	-12.3
Jackson	690	632	-8.4
Jasper	131	115	-12.2
Jefferson	576	496	-13.9
Jersey	250	240	-4.0
Jo Daviess	268	231	-13.8
Johnson	129	130	0.8
Kane	6,213	8,299	33.6
Kankakee	1,704	1,575	-7.6
Kendall	613	1,060	72.9
Knox	706	630	-10.8
Lake	9,686	10,362	7.0
LaSalle	1,508	1,387	-8.0
Lawrence	193	167	-13.5

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	1990	2002	% CHANGE
Lee	435	372	-14.5
Livingston	526	483	-8.2
Logan	362	348	-3.9
Macon	1,721	1,465	-14.9
Macoupin	609	538	-11.7
Madison	3,808	3,391	-11.0
Marion	646	518	-19.8
Marshall	165	143	-13.3
Mason	200	179	-10.5
Massac	188	208	10.6
McDonough	321	277	-13.7
McHenry	3,365	4,200	24.8
McLean	1,817	2,100	15.6
Menard	137	127	-7.3
Mercer	216	179	-17.1
Monroe	326	340	4.3
Montgomery	358	334	-6.7
Morgan	477	430	-9.9
Moultrie	203	177	-12.8
Ogle	724	589	-18.6
Peoria	2,840	2,603	-8.3
Perry	320	267	-16.6
Piatt	203	156	-23.2
Pike	207	188	-9.2
Pope	32	34	6.3
Pulaski	118	93	-21.2
Putnam	66	70	6.1
Randolph	389	403	3.6
Richland	189	188	-0.5
Rock Island	2,115	1,957	-7.5
St. Clair	4,695	3,618	-22.9
Saline	341	324	-5.0
Sangamon	2,724	2,460	-9.7
Schuyler	90	60	-33.3
Scott	71	55	-22.5
Shelby	307	234	-23.8
Stark	70	61	-12.9
Stephenson	678	589	-13.1
Tazewell	1,760	1,620	-8.0
Union	241	210	-12.9
Vermilion	1,252	1,098	-12.3
Wabash	192	140	-27.1
Warren	228	209	-8.3
Washington	191	155	-18.8
Wayne	215	231	7.4
White	182	167	-8.2
Whiteside	813	767	-5.7
Will	5,987	8,959	49.6
Williamson	720	738	2.5
Winnebago	4,156	3,967	-4.5
Woodford	412	410	-0.5
Chicago	60,242	47,958	-20.4

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Family Characteristics

Definition and Source

Children in families – The Census defines a family as a householder and one or more other people living in the same household who are related by birth, marriage or adoption. Family structure is the percentage of children living in married-parent, single-mother and single-father families. Data are from a Population Reference Bureau analysis of 2000 Census Summary File 1, tables P28A to P28H.

Teens who give birth – This measures the percentage of females ages 15 to 19 who give birth. The figure is calculated by dividing the number of 15- to 19-year-olds who gave birth in a given year by the total number of female teens those ages in 2000. Data are from the Illinois Department of Public Health and the 2000 Census.

Trends and Key Findings

Family structure can influence children's educational success. For example, children born to unmarried mothers are more likely to be poor and experience multiple living arrangements during childhood, factors that are associated with lower educational attainment.¹

Illinois children are growing up in a range of family settings. Two out of every three children live in married-parent families, while nearly one in five live with single mothers and one in 20 live with single fathers. The highest rates of single-mother families are in Alexander, Peoria, Pulaski and St. Clair counties, where at least one out of every four children lives with a single mother.

The prevalence of teens ages 15 to 19 who give birth is dropping in Illinois, falling from 4.6 percent in 1999 to 3.9 percent in 2002. Twelve of Illinois' 102 counties saw an increase in teens who give birth, with the biggest jumps occurring in Crawford, Cumberland, Douglas, Massac and Pike counties.

¹ Moore, Kristen Anderson, Jekielek, Susan M. & Emig, Carol, *Marriage from a Child's Perspective: How Does Family Structure Affect Children, and What Can We Do About It?*, Child Trends Research Brief, June 2002.

FAMILY CHARACTERISTICS

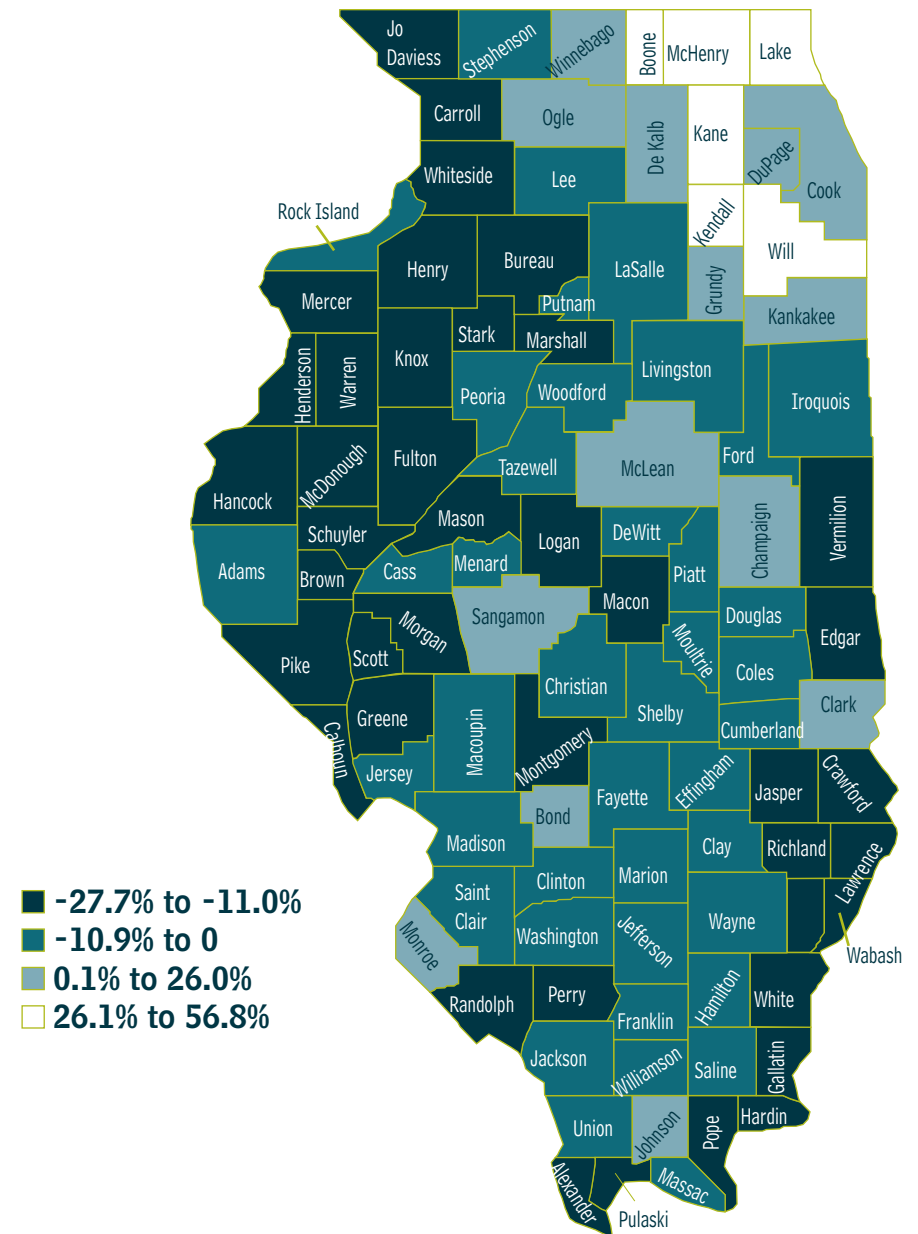
	CHILDREN IN FAMILIES, 2000 (%)			TEENS 15 TO 19 WHO GIVE BIRTH (%)		
	Married-couple	Single-mother	Single-father	1999	2002	% change
Illinois	67.0	17.8	4.2	4.6	3.9	-15.2
Adams	71.5	16.9	4.2	4.3	3.2	-25.6
Alexander	48.4	34.7	4.8	10.0	6.6	-34.0
Bond	74.2	13.4	4.9	3.2	3.2	0.0
Boone	76.5	11.8	4.4	4.8	3.9	-18.8
Brown	74.7	12.8	6.0	2.7	NA	NA
Bureau	75.0	12.9	5.3	3.8	3.3	-13.2
Calhoun	82.0	7.9	4.9	1.2	NA	NA
Carroll	72.9	13.8	4.7	4.0	4.0	0.0
Cass	69.6	15.1	5.2	7.4	6.2	-16.2
Champaign	67.7	19.9	4.4	2.2	2.2	0.0
Christian	70.2	15.1	5.7	4.7	4.1	-12.8
Clark	73.6	14.7	5.3	4.6	4.6	0.0
Clay	72.6	14.2	5.7	5.2	5.0	-3.8
Clinton	78.2	11.9	4.3	3.4	2.4	-29.4
Coles	70.8	17.1	4.8	3.2	2.3	-28.1
Cook	58.9	21.4	4.2	6.3	5.2	-17.5
Crawford	73.0	15.3	4.2	3.6	4.6	27.8
Cumberland	74.5	12.5	5.5	2.2	2.9	31.8
De Kalb	74.6	14.3	4.8	2.1	1.7	-19.0
De Witt	71.1	14.3	6.0	5.2	4.2	-19.2
Douglas	78.8	10.8	4.4	4.7	5.7	21.3
Du Page	82.8	9.3	2.7	2.0	1.9	-5.0
Edgar	67.8	16.4	6.6	4.9	3.5	-28.6
Edwards	74.9	15.2	4.0	5.5	NA	NA
Effingham	76.9	14.0	4.6	4.0	3.0	-25.0
Fayette	72.0	13.3	6.6	5.5	5.5	0.0
Ford	74.7	13.7	4.8	4.2	2.5	-40.5
Franklin	67.3	17.9	5.9	5.7	6.1	7.0
Fulton	69.6	15.5	5.8	6.3	4.5	-28.6
Gallatin	70.7	17.4	4.1	4.9	NA	NA
Greene	71.6	12.9	6.0	4.2	3.8	-9.5
Grundy	76.1	12.7	4.8	3.2	2.8	-12.5
Hamilton	74.4	12.0	5.2	1.4	NA	NA
Hancock	76.8	11.8	4.3	3.3	3.2	-3.0
Hardin	73.9	14.2	3.3	5.9	NA	NA
Henderson	73.6	12.0	6.0	3.6	NA	NA
Henry	74.6	13.8	4.7	3.4	3.0	-11.8
Iroquois	73.0	13.3	4.9	4.8	5.4	12.5
Jackson	61.9	23.8	5.0	2.8	2.2	-21.4
Jasper	80.1	10.8	4.3	4.7	NA	NA
Jefferson	67.8	17.5	5.7	4.7	5.6	19.1
Jersey	75.0	13.7	4.2	2.4	2.7	12.5
Jo Daviess	78.4	11.2	5.0	3.9	1.9	-51.3
Johnson	74.7	11.4	4.9	5.0	NA	NA
Kane	73.8	12.6	4.1	5.4	5.0	-7.4
Kankakee	63.4	20.7	5.4	5.7	5.3	-7.0
Kendall	81.9	9.0	3.1	2.7	1.9	-29.6
Knox	62.7	22.1	5.2	4.6	3.5	-23.9
Lake	78.2	11.7	3.2	4.0	3.3	-17.5
LaSalle	72.6	15.0	5.1	4.7	4.1	-12.8
Lawrence	70.5	15.2	5.8	6.6	3.5	-47.0

FAMILY CHARACTERISTICS

	CHILDREN IN FAMILIES, 2000 (%)			TEENS 15 TO 19 WHO GIVE BIRTH (%)		
	Married-couple	Single-mother	Single-father	1999	2002	% change
Lee	71.5	15.5	5.5	3.5	2.4	-31.4
Livingston	72.7	14.9	5.3	4.3	3.4	-20.9
Logan	70.1	16.0	6.1	3.5	3.7	5.7
Macon	61.0	24.0	5.2	6.5	6.1	-6.2
Macoupin	71.1	15.1	5.9	5.0	3.3	-34.0
Madison	66.6	19.5	5.1	4.6	4.0	-13.0
Marion	62.6	20.6	6.8	6.2	5.3	-14.5
Marshall	77.8	11.5	4.9	4.3	4.1	-4.7
Mason	70.7	14.4	6.0	5.7	5.2	-8.8
Massac	68.2	17.8	5.3	5.8	7.2	24.1
McDonough	72.8	15.7	5.2	1.6	1.3	-18.8
McHenry	83.0	8.9	3.1	2.6	2.5	-3.8
McLean	74.4	16.0	3.9	2.1	2.0	-4.8
Menard	75.0	16.0	4.6	4.1	2.6	-36.6
Mercer	75.9	11.3	4.6	4.3	3.6	-16.3
Monroe	82.0	9.1	4.1	1.9	1.8	-5.3
Montgomery	70.8	15.6	5.9	5.1	3.9	-23.5
Morgan	67.5	18.6	5.0	3.5	3.6	2.9
Moultrie	79.0	10.7	4.3	5.2	2.9	-44.2
Ogle	75.2	13.0	5.0	4.2	3.4	-19.0
Peoria	59.5	25.3	4.5	5.1	4.3	-15.7
Perry	69.0	16.8	5.4	4.1	4.8	17.1
Piatt	79.6	11.1	3.5	2.3	2.1	-8.7
Pike	76.1	12.3	4.8	3.5	4.4	25.7
Pope	67.8	16.1	4.7	0.6	NA	NA
Pulaski	53.7	26.8	5.3	7.7	9.1	18.2
Putnam	77.1	11.3	3.8	2.9	NA	NA
Randolph	71.3	15.3	5.6	5.3	4.4	-17.0
Richland	70.8	17.3	6.0	4.7	4.5	-4.3
Rock Island	62.2	22.4	5.4	5.0	4.5	-10.0
St. Clair	56.3	27.0	5.0	6.3	4.9	-22.2
Saline	64.1	17.8	5.0	6.7	5.1	-23.9
Sangamon	64.8	21.8	5.2	5.0	4.8	-4.0
Schuyler	77.6	10.7	4.3	4.4	NA	NA
Scott	75.7	14.0	4.7	3.8	NA	NA
Shelby	75.6	12.2	5.0	4.6	4.3	-6.5
Stark	80.1	10.2	4.0	5.3	NA	NA
Stephenson	69.6	18.3	4.9	4.6	4.4	-4.3
Tazewell	74.2	14.0	4.4	4.2	3.2	-23.8
Union	71.1	16.9	4.7	4.2	2.9	-31.0
Vermilion	60.9	22.6	6.1	7.6	5.9	-22.4
Wabash	74.4	13.6	4.6	3.7	3.5	-5.4
Warren	70.3	15.4	6.0	3.7	3.1	-16.2
Washington	78.8	10.3	4.5	3.2	3.0	-6.3
Wayne	73.5	14.9	4.4	4.7	4.4	-6.4
White	70.7	15.1	5.1	5.9	4.8	-18.6
Whiteside	69.5	16.0	5.1	5.3	4.4	-17.0
Will	78.1	11.0	3.3	3.4	3.0	-11.8
Williamson	69.4	18.3	4.8	5.4	4.0	-25.9
Winnebago	64.3	20.1	5.5	5.9	4.8	-18.6
Woodford	82.6	9.6	3.0	2.7	1.5	-44.4
Chicago	47.4	27.5	4.8	8.5	6.8	-20.0

Changes in Child Population, 1990 to 2003

Illinois' child population grew 9.6 percent from 1990 to 2002, totaling more than 3.2 million children. Eighty-two counties lost population. The biggest population booms occurred in metropolitan Chicago – Boone, Kane, Kendall, Lake, McHenry and Will counties – which saw the number of children grow by 26 percent or greater.



Source: U.S. Census Bureau

