



Community Profile

Belvidere, Illinois

Population Characteristics

	1990	2000
Belvidere	15,958	20,820
Boone County	30,806	41,786
Rockford MSA*	329,676	371,236
State of Illinois	11,430,602	12,419,293

POPULATION DENSITY (2000)

	Land Area	Density
Belvidere	8.2 sq. mi.	2,539.0
Boone County	283.0 sq. mi.	147.6
Rockford MSA*	1,560.0 sq. mi.	238.0
State of Illinois	55,748.0 sq. mi.	222.8

AGE STRUCTURE (2000)

Total Population	20,820	100.0%
Under 19 years	6,751	32.5%
20 - 24 years	1,271	6.1%
25 - 44 years	6,486	31.2%
45 - 54 years	2,151	10.3%
55 - 64 years	1,615	7.8%
65 years & over	2,546	12.2%
Median Age	32.4	years

*The Rockford MSA consists of Winnebago, Boone, and Ogle counties in Illinois

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GENDER/RACE/ETHNICITY (2000)

Total Population	20,820	100.0%
Male	10,263	49.3%
Female	10,557	50.7%
White	17,600	84.5%
Black	239	1.1%
Amer. Indian, Eskimo, Aleut	76	0.4%
Asian, Pacific Islander	98	0.5%
Other Race	2,408	11.6%
Hispanic Origin	4,179	20.1%

HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE (2000)

Total Households	7,531	100.0%
Family Households	5,328	70.7%
- Single-Parent Families	894	11.9%
Non-Family Households	2,203	29.3%
Persons per Household	2.73	

Employment

LABOR FORCE STATUS (2000)

Civilian Labor Force	10,442
Number Employed	9,860
Number Unemployed	582
Percent Unemployed	5.6%

BY INDUSTRY (2000)

Emp. persons 16 years +	7,639	100.0%
Agriculture & Mining	124	1.3%
Construction	485	4.9%
Manufacturing	3,292	33.4%
Trans., Comm., Utilities	722	7.3%
Wholesale/Retail Trade	1,407	14.3%
F.I.R.E*	570	5.8%
Services	2,978	30.2%
Public Administration	282	2.9%

* Finance, Insurance, Real Estate.

Major Employers

MAJOR EMPLOYERS WITHIN CORPORATE LIMITS

Daimler-Chrysler	2,100
Product/Service: Automobile Assembly	
Belvidere School District #100	880
Product/Service: Education	
Pillsbury-Green Giant	490
Product/Service: Food Processing	
Camcar Textron	375
Product/Service: Fasteners	
County of Boone	300
Product/Service: Government Office	
Ipsen International	264
Product/Service: Heat treating furnaces	
OSF St. Joseph	230
Product/Service: Health Care	

BY OCCUPATION (2000)

Emp. persons 16 years +	9,860	100.0%
Management, Professional	1,826	18.5%
Service Occupations	1,470	14.9%
Sales & Office	2,434	24.7%
Farming, Fishing, Forestry	79	0.8%
Construction, Mining, Maint.	996	10.1%
Production, Transportation, Material Handling	3,055	31.0%

MEANS OF COMMUTING TO WORK

Drive Alone	77.9%
Carpool	17.5%
Public Transportation	0.4%
Walk, Work at Home	3.8%
Other Means	0.5%
Mean travel time to work	25.4 min.

Housing Characteristics

BY TYPE OF DWELLING (2000)

Total Housing Units	7,970
Occupied Housing Units	7,531
- Percent Owner-Occupied	67.5%
- Percent Renter-Occupied	32.5%
Vacant Housing Units	439
- Percent Vacant	5.5%
Median Home Value	\$99,600
Median Monthly Rent	\$517
Owner-occupied	2.83
Renter-occupied	2.53

BY NO. OF UNITS AT ADDRESS (2000)

Total Housing Units	7,941
One unit	5,102
2 - 9 units	1,486
10+ units	574
Mobile Home	770

Income Characteristics

BY INCOME GROUP (2000)

Total Households	7,496	100.0%
Under \$15,000	1,085	14.5%
\$15,000 - \$24,999	934	12.5%
\$25,000 - \$34,999	1,054	14.1%
\$35,000 - \$49,999	1,250	16.7%
\$50,000 - \$74,999	1,928	25.7%
\$75,000 - \$99,999	820	10.9%
\$100,000 and over	425	5.6%

Median Household Income	\$42,529
Median Family Income	\$50,601
Income per Capita	\$17,804



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Community Services

Mayor/Council form of local government

Phone Number:.....815.845.2545

Fax Number:.....815.845.2545

Web:.....http://www.belvidere.net

Municipal zoning ordinance in effect.

Comprehensive city plan updated: 1998

Total Equalized Assessed Value (1998).....
.....\$201,847,111

Number of full-time police officers: 33

Number of full-time firefighters: 22

Fire insurance class in City: 4

E-911 system? yes

Number of public libraries/branches 1

Privately contracted commercial, industrial, and multi-family waste pick-up service.

Local telephone service provider: Verizon

Type of central office switch: digital

Fiber optic lines available.

Data communication services available.

Belvidere-Boone County Enterprise Zone.

Industrial Revenue Bond, and Community

Revolving Loan Fund programs available.

Two community hospitals: Highland Hospital,

St. Joseph's Hospital.

Tax Structure

PROPERTY TAX

Assessed value is 33.33% of market value.

Basic levy for 2002 taxes payable in 2003
(per \$100 of assessed valuation):

City 0.9763

County 0.7537

Others 5.6279

TOTAL 7.3579%

RETAIL SALES TAX

State 5.00%

County 0.25%

Municipal 1.00%

TOTAL 6.25%

Transportation

HIGHWAY

Community served by:

- Interstate highways I-90

- Federal highways U.S. 20

- State highways IL 76

Inter-city bus service available.

RAIL SERVICE

Carriers serving community:..... Union Pacific

COMMERCIAL AIR SERVICE

Greater Rockford Airport

10,200 ft. hard surfaced, lighted runway

Number of commercial carriers.....1

Number of flights per day.....8

Foreign Trade Zone #176

U.S. Customs Service available.

Utilities

ELECTRICITY.....Commonwealth Edison

NATURAL GAS.....NiCor

CABLE TELEVISION.....TCI of Illinois

WATER..... Belvidere Water Department

WASTE WATER TREATMENT.....City of

.....Belvidere Wastewater Treatment

Education

EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT

Persons 25 years + 12,713 .. 100.0%

Less than 9th grade 1,290 10.1%

9th- 12th grade, no diploma . 1,934 15.2%

High school graduate 4,995 39.3%

Some college, no degree 3,381 26.6%

College Graduate 1,113 8.7%

SCHOOL DISTRICTS (2002)

Belvidere Community Unit District #100

Enrollment.....6,831

H.S. graduation rate.....84.4%

District dropout rate.....1.2%

District core ACT composite score.....19.6

Expenditure per pupil.....\$5,307

Source: NIU Center for Governmental Studies

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Retail Sales

RETAIL SALES BY STORE GROUP

Total Retail Sales (2002): \$169,530,800

General Merchandise Stores 12.2%

Food Stores 7.7%

Eating & Drinking Places 8.0%

Apparel & Accessories 0.2%

Furniture 0.8%

Building Materials/Hardware 3.0%

Automotive & Related 46.8%

Drug Stores & Other Retail 5.0%

Agriculture & Mining 12.4%

Manufacturing 3.9%

Number of Retail Establishments: 704

Quality of Life

RECREATION

Number of city parks 7

BelMar Country Club

Swan Hills Public Golf Course

Public Swimming Pool

Kishwaukee Riverfront Recreation Path

Belvidere YMCA

CULTURAL

Number of Museums 3

Number of Churches 25

Catholic 1

Protestant 24

Boone County Fair

Boone County Arts Council

Autumn Pioneer Festival

Oktober Fest

Hometown Christmas