



Community Profile

Freeport, Illinois

Population Characteristics

TRENDS	1990	2000
City	25,840	26,443
County	48,052	48,979
Rockford MSA*	329,676	371,236
State of Illinois	11,430,602	12,419,293

POPULATION DENSITY (2000)		
	Land Area	Density
City	10.3 sq. mi.	2,567.3
County	564.3 sq. mi.	86.8
Rockford MSA*	1,560.0 sq. mi.	238.0
State of Illinois	55,748.0 sq. mi.	222.8

GENDER/RACE/ETHNICITY (2000)		
Total Population	26,443	100.0%
Male	12,310	46.6%
Female	14,133	53.4%
White	21,623	81.8%
Black	3,651	13.8%
Amer. Indian, Eskimo, Aleut	51	0.2%
Asian, Pacific Islander	267	1.0%
Other Race	265	1.0%
2 or more races	586	2.2%
Hispanic Origin**	561	2.1%

HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE (2000)		
Total Households	11,222	100.0%
Family Households	6,849	61.0%
- Single-Parent Families	1,414	12.6%
Non-Family Households	4,373	39.0%
Group Quarters	730	6.5%
Persons per Household		2.29

Employment

LABOR FORCE STATUS (2001)		
Civilian Labor Force	13,066	
Number Employed	12,001	
Number Unemployed	1,045	
Percent Unemployed		8.0

BY INDUSTRY (2000)		
Emp. persons 16 years + ...	12,001	100%
Agriculture & Mining	31	0.3
Construction	599	5.0
Manufacturing	3,436	25.6
Trans., Comm., Utilities	650	5.4
Wholesale/Retail Trade	1,436	12.0
F.I.R.E*	1,097	9.1
Services	4,458	37.0
Public Administration	314	2.6

* Finance, Insurance, Real Estate.

AGE STRUCTURE (2000)		
Total Population	26,443	100.0%
Under 19 years	8,956	27.2%
20 - 24 years	1,511	5.7%
25 - 44 years	7,359	27.8%
45 - 54 years	3,266	12.4%
55 - 64 years	2,327	8.8%
65 years & over	4,781	18.1%
Median Age		37.9 years

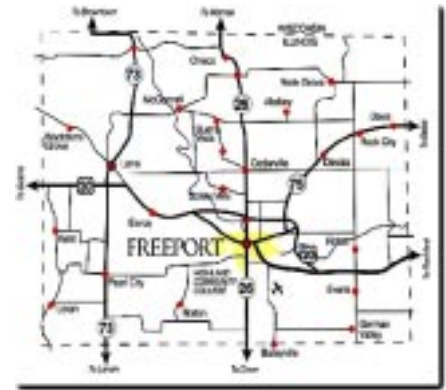
* The Rockford, Illinois Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) consists of Winnebago, Boone and Ogle counties in Illinois.
** Persons of Hispanic Origin may be of any race.

Major Employers

MAJOR EMPLOYERS WITHIN CORPORATE LIMITS		
Firm: Microswitch		3,000
Product/Service:	Electronic components	
Firm: Freeport Regional Health		1,305
Product/Service:	Hospital management	
Firm: Newell Co.		1,084
Product/Service:	Household products	
Firm: Kelly-Springfield Tires		1,016
Product/Service:	Tires	
Firm: Freeport School District		750
Product/Service:	Education	
Firm: Economy Fire and Casualty Co.		700
Product/Service:	Insurance	
Firm: Metlife Auto & Home		600
Product/Service:	Insurance	

BY OCCUPATION (2000)		
Emp. persons 16 years + ...	12,001	100.0%
Management, Professional ...	3,376	28.1
Service Occupations	1,767	14.7
Sales & Office	3,130	26.1
Farming, Fishing, Forestry	15	0.1
Construction, Mining, Maint.	932	7.8
Production, Transportation, Material Moving	2,781	23.2

MEANS OF COMMUTING TO WORK		
Drive Alone		81.7%
Carpool		12.2%
Public Transportation		1.2%
Walk, Work at Home		4.5%
Other Means		0.4%
Mean travel time to work		16.8 min.



Housing Characteristics

BY TYPE OF DWELLING (2000)		
Total Housing Units	12,471	
Occupied Housing Units	11,222	
- Percent Owner-Occupied		68.2%
- Percent Renter-Occupied		31.8%
Vacant Housing Units	1,249	
- Percent Vacant		10.0%
Median Home Value		\$71,600
Median Monthly Rent		\$425
Persons per unit		2.29
- Owner-Occupied		2.42
- Renter-Occupied		2.02

BY NO. OF UNITS AT ADDRESS (2000)		
Total Housing Units	12,479	100.0%
- One unit	8,176	55.5%
- 2 - 9 units	2,669	21.5%
- 10+ units	831	6.6%
- Mobile Home	795	6.4%

Income Characteristics

BY INCOME GROUP (2000)		
Total Households	11,231	100.0%
Under \$15,000	2,102	18.7%
\$15,000 - \$24,999	1,922	17.1%
\$25,000 - \$34,999	1,521	13.5%
\$35,000 - \$49,999	2,120	18.9%
\$50,000 - \$74,999	2,163	19.3%
\$75,000 - \$99,999	866	7.7%
\$100,000 and over	537	4.7%
Median Household Income		\$35,399
Median Family Income		\$43,787
Income per Capita		\$18,680



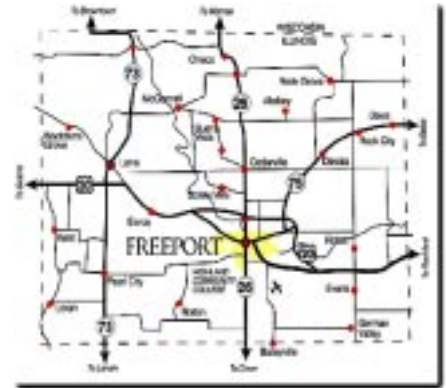
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Community Services

Aldermanic form of local government
 Phone Number.....815.235.8200
 Fax Number.....815.235.8874
 E-mail.....Auelx24@aol.com
 URL.....http://www.freeport-illinois.com
 Municipal zoning ordinance in effect.
 Comprehensive city plan updated: 1978
 Total Equalized Assessed Value (1998)
 \$217,332,070
 Number of police officers: 59
 Number of firefighters: 48

Fire insurance class in City: 3
 Revolving Loan Fund programs available.
 Local telephone service provider: GTE
 Type of central office switch: digital
 Fiber optic lines available.
 Data communication services available.
 E-911 system? yes
 Number of public libraries/branches 1



Tax Structure

PROPERTY TAX

Assessed value is 33.33% of market value.
 Basic levy for 2001 taxes payable in 2002
 (per \$100 of assessed valuation):
 City 0.9143%
 County 0.9797%
 Schools 5.4575%
 Others 1.6692%
 TOTAL 9.0207%

RETAIL SALES TAX

State 5.00%
 County 0.75%
 Municipal 1.00%
 TOTAL 6.75%

Education

EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT(2000)

Persons 25 years + 17,686 .. 100.0%
 Less than 9th grade 1,026 5.8
 9th- 12th grade, no diploma . 2,112 11.9
 High school graduate 6,215 35.1
 Some college, no degree 5,301 29.9
 College Graduate 3,032 17.2

SCHOOL DISTRICT

Freeport Community Unit School District #145
 Enrollment.....4,601
 H.S. graduation rate..... 84.0%
 District dropout rate 7.5%
 District core ACT composite score 19.6
 Expenditure per pupil.....\$7,207

Transportation

HIGHWAY

Community Served by:
 - Federal highways US 20
 - State highways 26,75

RAIL SERVICE

Carriers serving community:.....Canadian
 National Ry. (Illinois Central)

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

Albertus Airport
 5,500 concrete lighted runway
 Fuel, Private storage, Private Maint. Available

Utilities

ELECTRICITY

ComEd

NATURAL GAS

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WATER

City of Freeport

WASTE WATER TREATMENT

City of Freeport

Retail Sales

RETAIL SALES BY STORE GROUP

Total Retail Sales (2002): \$217,567,888
 - General Merchandise Stores 20.2%
 - Food Stores 5.7%
 - Eating & Drinking Places 9.6%
 - Apparel & Accessories 1.2%
 - Furniture and Related 6.1%
 - Building Materials/Hardware 7.5%
 - Automotive and Related 26.6%
 - Drug Stores and other Retail 7.6%
 - Agriculture & Extractive 14.8%
 - Manufacturing.....0.6%

Number of Retail Establishments: 771

Quality of Life

RECREATION

City Parks 12
 Restaurants 76
 Public Golf Courses 2
 Public Tennis Courts 3
 Country Club 1
 Health Club 1
 Public Swimming pools 1

CULTURAL

Number of Churches 56
 - Catholic 3
 - Protestant 53