

Status of Young Women  
& Girls in Illinois:  
Data for Introduction  
(Economic Well-Being/ Demographics)

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### Children in Poverty

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2005 Economic Status	Illinois	U.S.
Proportion of Children in Poverty (Age 0-17)	15.6%	17.6%

### Juvenile Population

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Demographic Juvenile Population 2005	Illinois	% Change 1990-2005*
Total Juvenile Population (0-16)	3,062,240	10.1%
Proportion of Black, non-Hispanic	18.9%	11.8%
Proportion of American Indian, non-Hispanic	0.2%	17.5%
Proportion of Asian, non-Hispanic	3.8%	58.4%
Proportion of Hispanic**	19.8%	93.8%

\*Percent change based on annual estimates for each population subgroup.

\*\*Persons of Hispanic ethnicity may be of any race, i.e. white, black, American Indian, or Asian.

<sup>1</sup> U.S. Census Bureau. (2006). Current Population Survey. *Annual Social and Economic Supplement*. Table POV46: Poverty status by state, 2005. Online.

Available: <http://pubdb3.census.gov/macro/032006/pov/toc.htm>

<sup>2</sup> Puzanchera, C., Finnegan, T., and Kang, W. (2006) *Easy Access to Juvenile Populations*. Online. Available: <http://www.ojdp.ncjrs.gov/ojstbb/ezapop/>

**Age Group**

**Youth Ages 0-17**

NSCH 2003	How many children/youth of different ages are in the 0-17 year old population? <sup>3</sup>								
	0-5			6-11			12-17		
Illinois	%	N	Est.	%	N	Est.	%	N	Est.
Male	33.8	350	554,936	32.7	344	537,793	33.5	388	550,926
Female	33.3	373	525,322	32.9	333	518,690	33.8	369	532,553
Nationwide	%	N	Est.	%	N	Est.	%	N	Est.
Male	33.0	17,054	12,244,015	32.9	15,880	12,223,295	34.1	19,620	12,688,757
Female	32.6	16,253	11,565,417	32.9	15,209	11,687,304	34.6	18,257	12,274,791

NSCH 2007	How many children/youth of different ages are in the 0-17 year old population?								
	0-5			6-11			12-17		
Illinois	%	N	Est.	%	N	Est.	%	N	Est.
Male	33.2	304	541,894	33.3	286	543,389	33.5	393	546,767
Female	33.2	284	517,521	32.5	270	506,415	34.3	389	533,569
Nationwide	%	N	Est.	%	N	Est.	%	N	Est.
Male	33.2	14,243	12,502,548	32.5	14,323	12,231,145	34.3	18,969	12,922,753
Female	33.2	13,304	11,960,000	32.4	13,429	11,650,824	34.4	17,264	12,383,026

<sup>3</sup> National Survey of Children's Health (2003), <http://www.nschdata.org/StateProfiles/CustomProfile.aspx>

**Gender**

***Number of Males & Females Ages 0-17***

<b>NSCH 2003</b>	<b>How many males and females are in the 0-17 year old population? <sup>4</sup></b>		
<b>Illinois</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>Est.</b>
Male	51.0	1,082	1,643,655
Female	49.0	1,075	1,576,565
<b>Nationwide</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>Est.</b>
Male	51.1	52,554	37,156,067
Female	48.9	49,719	35,527,512

<b>NSCH 2007</b>	<b>How many males and females are in the 0-17 year old population? <sup>5</sup></b>		
<b>Illinois</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>Est.</b>
Male	51.2	983	1,632,050
Female	48.8	943	1,557,505
<b>Nationwide</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>Est.</b>
Male	51.1	41,535	37,656,446
Female	48.9	43,997	35,339,849

**Special Health Care Needs**

***Youth, Ages 0-17, With Special Health Care Needs***

<b>NSCH 2003</b>	<b>How many children/youth (ages 0-17) have special health care needs? <sup>6</sup></b>					
	<b>Do Not Have Special Health Care Needs</b>			<b>Children With Special Health Care Needs</b>		
<b>Illinois</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>Est.</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>Est.</b>
Male	78.7	857	1,293,156	21.3	225	350,499
Female	87.5	929	1,380,280	12.5	146	196,285
<b>Nationwide</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>N</b>		<b>%</b>	<b>N</b>	
Male	79.7	41,824	29,615,653	20.3	10,730	7,540,414
Female	85.2	41,884	30,253,713	14.8	7,835	5,273,799

<sup>4</sup> National Survey of Children's Health (2003), <http://www.nschdata.org/StateProfiles/CustomProfile.aspx>

<sup>5</sup> National Survey of Children's Health (2007), <http://www.nschdata.org/StateProfiles/CustomProfile.aspx>

<sup>6</sup> National Survey of Children's Health (2003), <http://www.nschdata.org/StateProfiles/CustomProfile.aspx>

NSCH 2007	How many children/youth (ages 0-17) have special health care needs? <sup>7</sup>					
	Do Not Have Special Health Care Needs			Children With Special Health Care Needs		
Illinois	%	N	Est.	%	N	Est.
Male	79.8	775	1,301,623	20.2	208	330,426
Female	83.4	778	1,298,597	16.6	165	258,908
Nationwide	%	N		%	N	
Male	77.8	36,910	29,287,696	22.2	10,625	8,374,749
Female	84.0	36,288	30,247,121	16.0	7,709	5,746,728

<sup>7</sup> National Survey of Children's Health (2007), <http://www.nschdata.org/StateProfiles/CustomProfile.aspx>

**Race & Ethnicity**

***Race/Ethnicity of Youth, Ages 0-17***

NSCH 2003	How many children of different races or Hispanic ethnicity are in the 0-17 year old population? <sup>8</sup>														
	Hispanic			White			Black			Multi Racial			Other		
Illinois	%	N	Est.	%	N	Est.	%	N	Est.	%	N	Est.	%	N	Est.
Male	17.1	171	277,144	59.6	726	964,445	17.9	119	290,291	2.7	29	44,398	2.6	24	42,324
Female	17.1	195	266,394	58.9	668	916,064	18.5	137	287,898	2.7	30	41,362	2.8	33	43,667
Nationwide	%	N	Est.	%	N	Est.	%	N	Est.	%	N	Est.	%	N	Est.
Male	17.7	6,887	6,484,712	61.0	36,177	22,312,611	14.1	4,855	5,160,582	3.0	1,983	1,090,589	4.2	1,946	1,532,961
Female	17.4	6,465	6,094,566	60.5	33,871	21,139,394	14.7	4,727	5,138,375	3.0	1,955	1,094,372	4.3	2,001	1,500,841

NSCH 2007	How many children of different races or Hispanic ethnicity are in the 0-17 year old population? <sup>9</sup>														
	Hispanic			White			Black			Multi Racial			Other		
Illinois	%	N	Est.	%	N	Est.	%	N	Est.	%	N	Est.	%	N	Est.
Male	22.1	193	350,206	55.9	259	886,520	16.1	178	254,830	2.7	31	43,288	3.3	29	51,770
Female	19.3	181	295,131	53.5	480	816,439	18.9	193	288,609	4.0	38	61,402	4.2	32	63,897
Nationwide	%	N	Est.	%	N	Est.	%	N	Est.	%	N	Est.	%	N	Est.
Male	20.5	6,002	7,558,408	56.9	31,995	21,029,890	13.9	4,604	5,152,088	4.2	2,182	1,545,881	4.5	1,974	1,647,506
Female	20.5	5,511	7,255,143	55.4	29,316	19,585,517	14.5	4,265	5,141,558	4.4	2,141	1,568,284	5.1	2,015	1,820,512

<sup>8</sup> National Survey of Children's Health (2003), <http://www.nschdata.org/StateProfiles/CustomProfile.aspx>

<sup>9</sup> National Survey of Children's Health (2007), <http://www.nschdata.org/StateProfiles/CustomProfile.aspx>

**Family Structure**

***Characteristics of Family Structure***

NSCH 2003	How many children live in one-parent versus two-parent households? <sup>10</sup>											
	Two-Parent (Biological/ Adoptive)			Two-Parent Stepfamily			Mother only/ No Father Present			Other		
	%	N	Est.	%	N	Est.	%	N	Est.	%	N	Est.
<b>Illinois</b>												
Male	68.4	742	1,093,627	6.2	70	98,537	21.2	197	339,166	4.3	47	68,188
Female	66.8	727	1,036,029	6.6	60	102,900	22.3	228	345,648	4.3	46	67,278
<b>Nationwide</b>												
Male	63.5	33,939	23,023,272	8.7	4,287	3,163,178	22.8	10,459	8,274,612	4.9	2,651	1,789,791
Female	63.5	32,189	21,938,478	8.4	3,906	2,902,065	24.1	10,208	8,318,600	4.0	2,166	1,365,941

Data not broken down for the NSCH 2007.

<sup>10</sup> National Survey of Children's Health (2003), <http://www.nschdata.org/StateProfiles/CustomProfile.aspx>

**Household Income Level**

***Youth Living in Homes Above/Below The Federal Poverty Level***

NSCH 2003	How many children live in one-parent versus two-parent households? <sup>11</sup>											
	Household Income 0-99% FPL			Household Income 100-199% FPL			Household Income 200-399% FPL			400% FPL or Greater		
Illinois	%	N	Est.	%	N	Est.	%	N	Est.	%	N	Est.
Male	20.3	134	334,354	18.3	173	301,342	33.5	395	550,619	27.8	380	457,993
Female	14.2	112	223,375	21.9	195	345,579	33.1	358	522,267	30.8	410	485,344
Nationwide	%	N	Est.	%	N	Est.	%	N	Est.	%	N	Est.
Male	17.8	6,525	6,631,198	22.8	10,700	10,700	32.8	18,886	12,184,188	26.6	16,443	9,882,784
Female	18.2	6,230	6,453,451	22.9	10,171	10,717	32.2	17,605	11,428,444	26.7	15,713	9,498,383

NSCH 2007	How many children live in one-parent versus two-parent households? <sup>12</sup>											
	Household Income 0-99% FPL			Household Income 100-199% FPL			Household Income 200-399% FPL			400% FPL or Greater		
Illinois	%	N	Est.	%	N	Est.	%	N	Est.	%	N	Est.
Male	17.3	139	281,809	19.1	154	311,098	30.9	291	503,789	32.8	399	535,353
Female	16.1	135	250,193	17.4	154	271,740	33.8	284	526,242	32.7	370	509,329
Nationwide	%	N	Est.	%	N	Est.	%	N	Est.	%	N	Est.
Male	18.4	5,636	6,931,714	21.0	8,073	7,918,664	31.3	13,100	11,771,738	29.3	17,726	11,034,330
Female	18.7	5,322	6,748,107	20.9	7,504	7,535,616	30.9	14,658	11,139,403	29.4	16,513	10,570,724

<sup>11</sup> National Survey of Children's Health (2003), <http://www.nschdata.org/StateProfiles/CustomProfile.aspx>

<sup>12</sup> National Survey of Children's Health (2007), <http://www.nschdata.org/StateProfiles/CustomProfile.aspx>

## Homelessness

### Homeless & Underserved Youth in Illinois

The following tables show statistics on homeless youth in Chicago based on the 2005 Unaccompanied Homeless Youth in Illinois report.<sup>13</sup>

<b>Estimated Numbers of Homeless Youth in Illinois on April 26, 2005, by Service Region</b>		
<b>Region</b>	<b>Homeless Youth Receiving Services on April 26</b>	<b>Total Homeless Youth on April 26</b>
#1 Chicago/Cook County	630	1,832
#2 Northern Illinois	269	782
#3 North Central Illinois	190	553
#4 South Central Illinois	147	428
#5 Southern Illinois	175	507
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,411</b>	<b>4,102</b>

<b>Estimated Numbers of Homeless Youth Receiving Services in Illinois on April 26, 2005, by Gender, Age Group, and Accompaniment of Children</b>				
<i>Age</i>	<b>Unaccompanied By Own Children</b>		<b>Accompanied By Own Children</b>	
	<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>	<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>
17 and Younger	165	177	13	122
18-21	307	254	27	346
<b>Total</b>	<b>472</b>	<b>431</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>468</b>

<b>Estimated Numbers of Homeless Youth Receiving Services in Illinois on April 26, 2005, by Age</b>	
<b>Age</b>	<b>N</b>
15 and younger	107
16-17	304
18-21	1,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,411</b>

<sup>13</sup>Unaccompanied Homeless Youth in Illinois: 2005. Timothy P. Johnson and Ingrid Graf. Survey Research Laboratory University of Illinois at Chicago. December 2005. Funded by the Illinois Department of Human Services (IDHS) Coordinated by the Chicago Coalition for the Homeless.

<http://www.srl.uic.edu/Publist/StdYRpts/youthreport.pdf>

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Results of 2007 Survey of Unaccompanied Homeless Youth Providers by the Chicago Coalition for the Homeless. Charts and graphs depict the percentage of programs serving the youth population and reports underserved youth.<sup>14</sup>

<b>Most Frequently Reported Underserved Youths</b>	
Addicted Youths	8%
Single Females	8%
Single Males	13%
Pregnant and Parenting	37%
Youths 21 to 24	13%
Youths with Disabilities	21%

<b>Percentage of Programs Serving Youth Subpopulations</b>	
Single Females	88%
Single Males	88%
Pregnant and Parenting Youths	80%
Transgender Youths	64%
Youth with Disabilities	60%

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<sup>14</sup> Chicago Coalition for the Homeless. No Youth Alone: A Campaign to End Youth Homelessness: Results of 2007 Survey of Unaccompanied Homeless Youth Providers. Website where graphs can be found:  
[http://www.issuelab.org/research/results\\_of\\_2007\\_survey\\_of\\_unaccompanied\\_homeless\\_youth\\_providers](http://www.issuelab.org/research/results_of_2007_survey_of_unaccompanied_homeless_youth_providers)

**Demographics**

**Illinois Population**<sup>15</sup>

	Illinois	
	<i>Estimate</i>	<i>Margin of Error</i>
<b>Total:</b>	12,831,970	*****
<b>Male:</b>	6,315,239	+/-2,761
Under 5 years	453,130	+/-1,780
5 to 9 years	445,533	+/-7,318
10 to 14 years	463,217	+/-6,939
15 to 17 years	283,681	+/-1,493
18 and 19 years	201,344	+/-3,534
20 years	102,704	+/-5,472
21 years	99,350	+/-5,755
22 to 24 years	261,451	+/-6,518
25 to 29 years	457,612	+/-3,004
30 to 34 years	445,567	+/-2,767
35 to 39 years	454,599	+/-9,211
40 to 44 years	486,319	+/-9,028
45 to 49 years	483,248	+/-2,060
50 to 54 years	424,190	+/-1,791
55 to 59 years	368,892	+/-5,386
60 and 61 years	103,073	+/-4,323
62 to 64 years	152,073	+/-4,626
65 and 66 years	85,663	+/-3,378
67 to 69 years	112,626	+/-3,635
70 to 74 years	151,739	+/-3,781
75 to 79 years	128,648	+/-3,383
80 to 84 years	84,929	+/-3,030
85 years and over	65,651	+/-3,065
<b>Female:</b>	6,516,731	+/-2,761
Under 5 years	436,208	+/-1,577
5 to 9 years	429,130	+/-7,592
10 to 14 years	435,541	+/-7,786
15 to 17 years	269,947	+/-1,602
18 and 19 years	182,872	+/-2,458
20 years	90,172	+/-4,803
21 years	90,880	+/-5,170

<sup>15</sup> Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2006 American Community Survey

**Status of Young Women and Girls in Illinois  
Health**

	<b>Illinois</b>	
22 to 24 years	260,680	+/-7,184
25 to 29 years	440,231	+/-2,182
30 to 34 years	428,406	+/-2,107
35 to 39 years	449,329	+/-6,848
40 to 44 years	487,378	+/-6,527
45 to 49 years	496,546	+/-1,784
50 to 54 years	442,054	+/-1,795
55 to 59 years	386,696	+/-5,447
60 and 61 years	115,316	+/-4,075
62 to 64 years	172,228	+/-4,823
65 and 66 years	96,391	+/-3,864
67 to 69 years	130,712	+/-4,292
70 to 74 years	192,893	+/-4,434
75 to 79 years	180,654	+/-5,081
80 to 84 years	145,333	+/-4,384
85 years and over	157,134	+/-4,268

**Sex by Age by Citizenship Status<sup>16</sup>**

	Illinois	
	<i>Estimate</i>	<i>Margin of Error</i>
<b>Total:</b>	12,831,970	*****
<b>Male:</b>	6,315,239	+/-2,761
Under 18 years:	1,645,561	+/-2,829
Native	1,574,945	+/-5,718
Foreign born:	70,616	+/-5,050
Naturalized U.S. citizen	14,350	+/-1,769
Not a U.S. citizen	56,266	+/-4,936
18 years and over:	4,669,678	+/-2,974
Native	3,825,646	+/-14,810
Foreign born:	844,032	+/-14,569
Naturalized U.S. citizen	369,199	+/-9,398
Not a U.S. citizen	474,833	+/-11,901
<b>Female:</b>	6,516,731	+/-2,761
Under 18 years:	1,570,826	+/-2,426
Native	1,504,146	+/-4,851
Foreign born:	66,680	+/-4,358
Naturalized U.S. citizen	17,715	+/-2,463
Not a U.S. citizen	48,965	+/-4,239
18 years and over:	4,945,905	+/-2,571
Native	4,153,633	+/-14,328
Foreign born:	792,272	+/-14,175
Naturalized U.S. citizen	378,775	+/-11,281
Not a U.S. citizen	413,497	+/-10,302

<sup>16</sup> Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2006 American Community Survey

**Sex by School Enrollment By Educational Attainment By  
Employment Status for the Population 16-19 Years<sup>17</sup>**

	Illinois	
	<i>Estimate</i>	<i>Margin of Error</i>
<b>Total:</b>	750,891	+/-6,519
<b>Male:</b>	391,700	+/-5,363
Enrolled in school:	324,861	+/-6,182
Employed	101,354	+/-4,048
Unemployed	31,666	+/-3,040
Not in labor force	191,841	+/-5,190
Not enrolled in school:	66,839	+/-4,089
High school graduate:	41,188	+/-3,095
Employed	25,275	+/-2,403
Unemployed	7,049	+/-1,249
Not in labor force	8,864	+/-1,529
Not high school graduate:	25,651	+/-2,398
Employed	9,083	+/-1,418
Unemployed	5,728	+/-1,413
Not in labor force	10,840	+/-1,450
<b>Female:</b>	359,191	+/-4,331
Enrolled in school:	313,908	+/-5,380
Employed	111,170	+/-5,057
Unemployed	31,102	+/-2,683
Not in labor force	171,636	+/-5,709
Not enrolled in school:	45,283	+/-3,108
High school graduate:	29,448	+/-2,830
Employed	16,770	+/-2,025
Unemployed	4,466	+/-1,281
Not in labor force	8,212	+/-1,455
Not high school graduate:	15,835	+/-1,817
Employed	5,316	+/-1,130
Unemployed	2,773	+/-723
Not in labor force	7,746	+/-1,259

<sup>17</sup> Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2006 American Community Survey

**Poverty Status In the Past 12 Months by Sex & Age<sup>18</sup>**

	Illinois	
	<i>Estimate</i>	<i>Margin of Error</i>
<b>Total:</b>	12,516,453	+/-4,308
Income in the past 12 months below poverty level:	1,539,033	+/-33,611
<b>Male:</b>	667,635	+/-17,810
Under 5 years	82,461	+/-5,343
5 years	15,251	+/-2,283
6 to 11 years	92,891	+/-5,224
12 to 14 years	41,880	+/-3,225
15 years	15,069	+/-1,940
16 and 17 years	24,525	+/-2,221
18 to 24 years	96,759	+/-5,355
25 to 34 years	78,222	+/-5,244
35 to 44 years	70,061	+/-4,278
45 to 54 years	65,936	+/-3,467
55 to 64 years	42,569	+/-2,818
65 to 74 years	23,242	+/-2,194
75 years and over	18,769	+/-2,111
<b>Female:</b>	871,398	+/-19,517
Under 5 years	86,582	+/-5,427
5 years	15,215	+/-2,052
6 to 11 years	88,905	+/-5,229
12 to 14 years	41,103	+/-3,681
15 years	14,352	+/-1,418
16 and 17 years	25,139	+/-2,617
18 to 24 years	136,786	+/-5,838
25 to 34 years	134,906	+/-5,614
35 to 44 years	100,373	+/-5,216
45 to 54 years	81,551	+/-4,108
55 to 64 years	58,196	+/-3,419
65 to 74 years	38,605	+/-2,692
75 years and over	49,685	+/-3,248
Income in the past 12 months at or above poverty level:	10,977,420	+/-33,913
<b>Male:</b>	5,471,323	+/-18,014
Under 5 years	364,891	+/-5,427
5 years	68,489	+/-3,665
6 to 11 years	445,687	+/-6,391

<sup>18</sup> Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2006 American Community Survey

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12 to 14 years	229,632	+/-6,500
15 years	77,991	+/-3,811
16 and 17 years	162,893	+/-4,202
18 to 24 years	497,778	+/-6,261
25 to 34 years	801,039	+/-6,269
35 to 44 years	853,077	+/-5,026
45 to 54 years	830,245	+/-4,524
55 to 64 years	574,775	+/-3,106
65 to 74 years	320,645	+/-2,257
75 years and over	244,181	+/-2,626
<b>Female:</b>	5,506,097	+/-19,834
Under 5 years	344,369	+/-5,546
5 years	72,283	+/-4,209
6 to 11 years	417,639	+/-8,226
12 to 14 years	217,121	+/-6,145
15 years	78,957	+/-3,087
16 and 17 years	150,086	+/-4,098
18 to 24 years	441,361	+/-5,730
25 to 34 years	730,154	+/-5,899
35 to 44 years	833,405	+/-5,638
45 to 54 years	853,901	+/-4,135
55 to 64 years	610,721	+/-3,726
65 to 74 years	375,826	+/-2,969
75 years and over	380,274	+/-3,812

**Percent of People 5 to 20 Years Old With a Disability: 2006**

**Civilian Non-institutionalized Population 5 to 20 years:  
 Illinois by County**

<b>Geography</b>	<b>Estimate</b>	<b>Margin Of Error</b>
St. Clair County, Illinois	7 Percent	+/-1.9 Percent
Madison County, Illinois	4.5 Percent	+/-1.3 Percent
Adams County, Illinois	6.4 Percent	+/-3.5 Percent
Sangamon County, Illinois	5.7 Percent	+/-2.1 Percent
Champaign County, Illinois	7.7 Percent	+/-2.1 Percent
Vermilion County, Illinois	11 Percent	+/-3.7 Percent
Will County, Illinois	4.8 Percent	+/-0.9 Percent
DuPage County, Illinois	5.5 Percent	+/-1.0 Percent
Winnebago County, Illinois	9.1 Percent	+/-1.8 Percent
Lake County, Illinois	4.8 Percent	+/-1.0 Percent
Peoria County, Illinois	5.6 Percent	+/-1.7 Percent
Macon County, Illinois	8.2 Percent	+/-2.9 Percent
Kane County, Illinois	4.2 Percent	+/-0.9 Percent
McHenry County, Illinois	4.9 Percent	+/-1.2 Percent
Kankakee County, Illinois	6.9 Percent	+/-2.5 Percent
McLean County, Illinois	5.7 Percent	+/-1.9 Percent
Rock Island County, Illinois	8.7 Percent	+/-2.8 Percent
LaSalle County, Illinois	6.4 Percent	+/-2.4 Percent
Cook County, Illinois	5.2 Percent	+/-0.4 Percent
DeKalb County, Illinois	5.3 Percent	+/-2.0 Percent
Kendall County, Illinois	7.4 Percent	+/-4.2 Percent

**School Enrollment**<sup>19</sup>

<b><i>Population 3 years and over enrolled in school</i></b>	
	3,527,824
	+/-13,955
	56,346
	+/-5,060
<b><i>Nursery school, preschool</i></b>	
	6.9%
	+/-0.2
	10.4%
	+/-2.3
<b><i>Kindergarten</i></b>	
	5.0%
	+/-0.2
	6.4%
	+/-1.4
<b><i>Elementary school (grades 1-8)</i></b>	
	40.1%
	+/-0.3
	48.8%
	+/-4.0
<b><i>High school (grades 9-12)</i></b>	
	21.4%
	+/-0.2
	16.6%
	+/-2.7
<b><i>College or graduate school</i></b>	
	26.6%
	+/-0.3
	17.8%
	+/-2.6
<b><i>Male 3 years and over enrolled in school</i></b>	
	<b>1,741,640</b>
	+/-10,066
	28,449
	+/-3,246
<b><i>Percent enrolled in kindergarten to grade 12</i></b>	
	69.1%
	+/-0.5
	71.3%

<sup>19</sup> 2006 American Community Survey

**Status of Young Women and Girls in Illinois  
Economic Well-Being**

	+/-4.8
<b><i>Percent enrolled in college or graduate school</i></b>	
	24.0%
	+/-0.4
	17.7%
	+/-3.8
<b><i>Female 3 years and over enrolled in school</i></b>	
	1,786,184
	+/-9,927
	27,897
	+/-2,696
<b><i>Percent enrolled in kindergarten to grade 12</i></b>	
	63.9%
	+/-0.5
	72.3%
	+/-3.7
<b><i>Percent enrolled in college or graduate school</i></b>	
	29.2%
	+/-0.4
	18.0%
	+/-3.2