

Chicago by the Numbers Revised 03/13/2015

8,710

New Jobs-City
YOY Growth, Dec 2014



11.8%

New Truck Sales-Nt'l
YOY Growth, Feb 2015



125.8%

Housing Starts-Midwest
YOY Growth, Jan 2015



15.8%

Air Passengers-City
YOY Growth, Jan 2015



Employment

YOY job growth by industry, City, Dec-2014

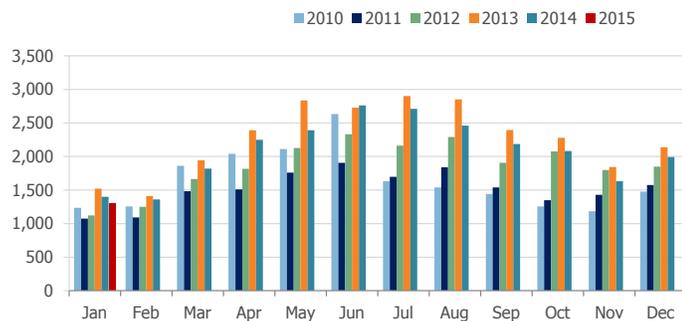
Professional & Bus. Services	1.8%	4,891
Education & Health	1.6%	3,963
Transp., Whsg. & Utilities	2.7%	1,962
Construction	4.4%	1,151
Wholesale	1.5%	707
Information	0.9%	302
Manufacturing	0.2%	99
Natural Resources & Mining	-11.0%	-27
Other Services	-0.2%	-103
Leisure & Hospitality	-0.2%	-201
Government	-0.3%	-483
Financial Activities	-1.1%	-1,399
Retail	-2.1%	-2,153

Unemployment, select cities, Dec-2014

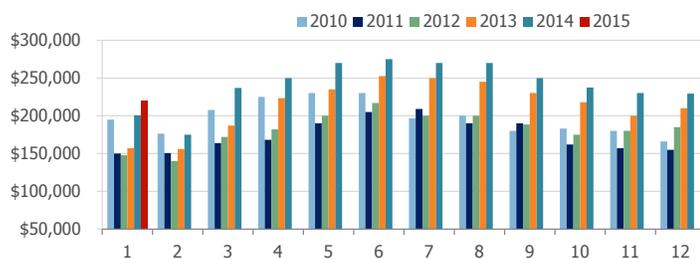
Los Angeles	8.3%	Chicago	6.2%
New York	6.4%	Houston	4.1%

Real Estate

Monthly home sales, City, Dec-2014

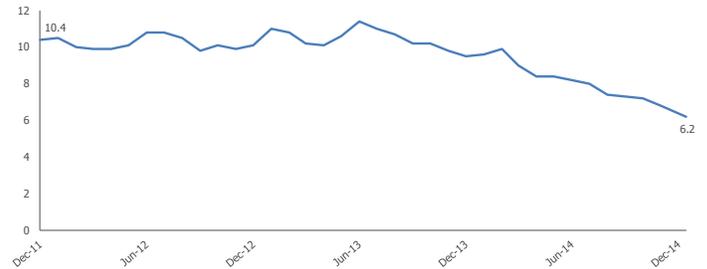


Median home sale price, City, Dec-2014

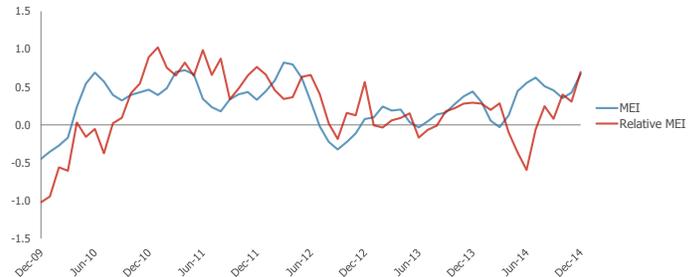


Business Activity

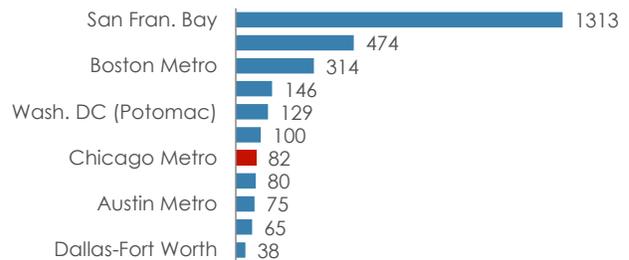
Chicago Unemployment Rate Jan-2015



Midwest Economy Index, Dec-2014



Investment deals with VC-backed companies, 2014



Source: D/I VentureSource

Tourism

Average Occupancy, Chicago hotels, 2014-2015



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Indicator	Date	Month/Quarter		
		Most Recent	Year Earlier	Yr-On-Yr Chg
Employed residents (1,000)-City	Dec-14	1,185.3	1,147.3	3.3%
Employed residents (1,000)-MSA	Dec-14	4,609.9	4,469.9	3.1%
Labor force (1,000)-City	Dec-14	1,263.4	1,268.1	-0.4%
Labor force (1,000)-MSA	Dec-14	4,882.9	4,872.4	0.2%
Unemployment rate-City	Dec-14	6.2	9.5	-3.3
Unemployment rate-MSA	Dec-14	5.6	8.3	-2.7
Labor force participation rate-statewide	Dec-14	64.7	65.3	-0.6
Total private payroll jobs (1,000)-City	Dec-14	1,375.6	1,366.9	0.6%
Natural Resources & Mining	Dec-14	0.2	0.2	-11.0%
Construction	Dec-14	27.1	25.9	4.4%
Manufacturing	Dec-14	64.2	64.1	0.2%
Wholesale trade	Dec-14	47.7	46.9	1.5%
Retail Trade	Dec-14	100.0	102.2	-2.1%
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities	Dec-14	74.8	72.8	2.7%
Information	Dec-14	34.2	33.9	0.9%
Financial Activities	Dec-14	128.7	130.1	-1.1%
Professional & Business Services	Dec-14	277.0	272.1	1.8%
Educational & Health Services	Dec-14	244.8	240.8	1.6%
Leisure & Hospitality	Dec-14	131.6	131.8	-0.2%
Other Services	Dec-14	66.9	67.0	-0.2%
Government	Dec-14	178.5	179.0	-0.3%
Unemployment insurance claims-Cook County	Jan-15	23,070	25,325	-8.9%
New hires (1,000, seas. adjusted)-Midwest	Jan-15	1,199	955	25.5%
Online job postings-Cook County	Q4-2014	123,469	N/A*	N/A*
Leading Economic Index (2010=100)-Nt'l	Jan-15	121.1	N/A**	N/A**
Consumer Sentiment Index-Nt'l	Mar-15	91.2	80.0	11.2
Consumer Confidence (1985=100)-Nt'l	Feb-15	96.4	78.3	18.1
Architecture Billings Index-Nt'l	Jan-15	49.9	50.4	-0.5
Producer Price Index (1982=100, seas. adjusted)-Nt'l	Feb-15	192.5	199.5	-7.0
New automobile sales (thousands)-Nt'l	Feb-15	417.7	411.4	1.5%
New truck sales (thousands)-Nt'l	Feb-15	585.4	523.4	11.8%
Freight Transportation Services Index (2000=100)-Nt'l	Jan-15	122.9	116.3	6.6
Midwest Economy Index-Midwest	Dec-14	0.67	0.43	0.24
Exports (\$B)-State of Illinois	Jan-15 YTD	5.2	5.5	-5.3%
GRP (est., 2014 \$B)-MSA	2014	561.8	549.4	2.3%

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BUSINESS ACTIVITY				
Chicago Business Barometer (seas. adjusted)-MSA	Feb-15	45.8	59.8	-14.0
Consumer Price Index (CPI-U; 1982-84=100)-MSA	Jan-15	225.9	225.0	0.8
Air cargo tonnage-ORD+MDW	Jan-15	132,840	118,205	12.4%
Venture capital rounds-MSA	2014	82	87	-5.7%
Venture capital investment (\$M)-MSA	2014	862.3	496.8	73.6%
Major business expansions-City	Mar-15 YTD	37	N/A	N/A
Major business expansions-MSA	Mar-15 YTD	77	N/A	N/A
Digital startup funding (\$M)-MSA	2014	1,585	1,053	50.5%
Active manufacturing licenses-City	Mar-15	919	944	-2.6%
REAL ESTATE				
Population (millions)-City	Jul-13	2.719	2.713	0.2%
Population (millions)-MSA	Jul-13	9.537	9.514	0.2%
Cost of Living Index-City	2014	116.7	115.3	1.4
Case Shiller Home Price Index-MSA	Dec-14	127.0	125.3	1.7
New private residential building permits (units)-City	Jan-15 YTD	107	268	-60.1%
New private residential building permits (units)-MSA	Jan-15 YTD	416	557	-25.3%
Housing starts (1,000)-Midwest	Jan-15 YTD	140	62	125.8%
Home sales-City	Jan-15	1,295	1,400	-7.5%
Median home sale price (\$) -City	Jan-15	220,000	200,750	9.6%
Office vacancy rate-downtown	Q4 2014	12.6	13.4	-0.8
Office vacancy rate-suburbs	Q4 2014	18.9	20.0	-1.1
TOURISM				
Annual visitors (millions)-City	2014	50.20	48.48	3.5%
Hotel occupancy rate-City	Jan-15	51.1	44.1	7.0
Hotel average daily rate (\$) -City	Jan-15	139.20	124.70	11.6%
Air passengers (millions)-ORD+MDW	Jan-15	6.57	5.67	15.8%

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Footnotes and Sourcing

*Data provider is continually improving its collection method, so growth is not directly attributable to an increase in labor demand

**This year incorporates annual benchmark revisions to the composite economic indexes. As a result, revised indexes will not be directly comparable to those issued prior to the benchmark revision

Data is current as of 03/13/2015; preliminary estimates are subject to revision. Data is not adjusted for seasonality unless noted. The Chicago MSA (metropolitan statistical area) consists of a 14-county, tri-state region: Cook, DeKalb, DuPage, Grundy, Kane, Kendall, Lake, McHenry, and Will counties in Illinois; Jasper, Lake, Newton, and Porter counties in Indiana; and Kenosha County in Wisconsin. Midwest data reflects totals for Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota, and Wisconsin. The Freight Transportation Services Index is a measure of the month-to-month changes in the output of for-hire freight transportation service providers including trucking, rail, inland waterway vessels, pipeline, and air freighters; the index does not include international or coastal movements, private trucking, courier services, or the U.S. Postal Service. State of Illinois exports are measured by the U.S. Census Harmonized System (HS) origin of production state-based series. Venture capital refers to cash investments by corporations and individuals into companies that have received at least one round of venture funding. Sources (in order of reference): Illinois Department of Employment Security, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Chicago-Cook Workforce Partnership analysis of Burning Glass data, The Conference Board, Thomson Reuters/University of Michigan, American Institute of Architects, U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis, U.S. Bureau of Transportation Statistics, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, USA Trade Online, Moody's Analytics, Institute for Supply Management, Chicago Department of Aviation, DJX VentureSource, World Business Chicago, Built in Chicago, City of Chicago, U.S. Census Bureau, Council for Community and Economic Research, S&P Dow Jones, Illinois Association of Realtors, CBRE, Choose Chicago analysis of Smith Travel Research data