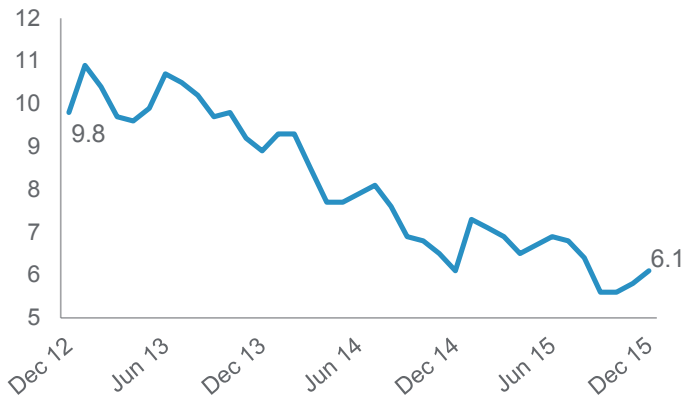


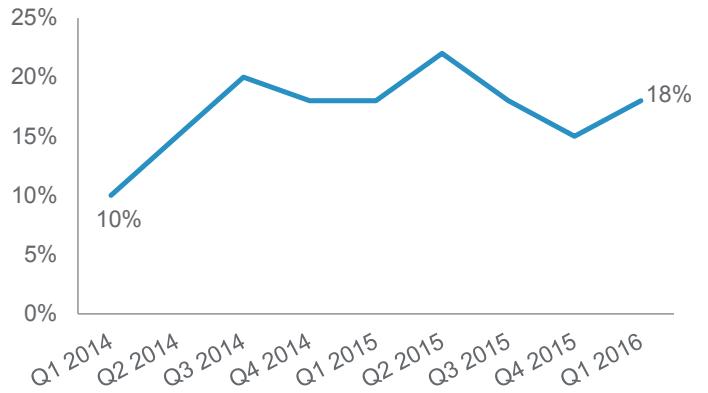
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JOBS

Unemployment rate, city, 2012-2015

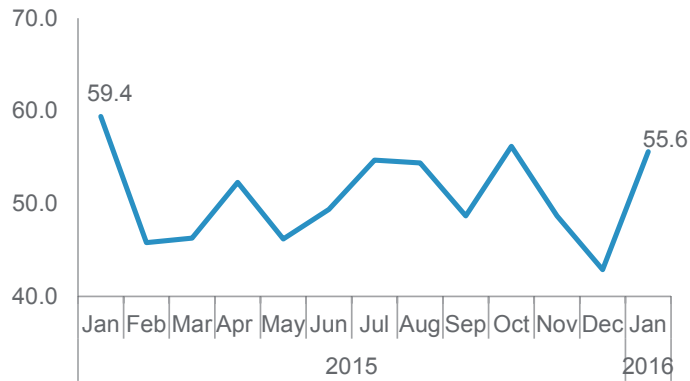


Firm Hiring Forecast, MSA, 2014-2016

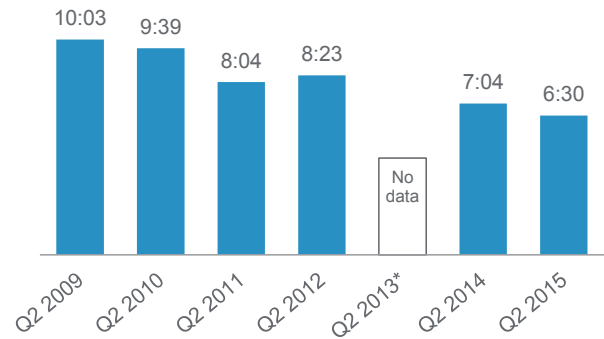


BUSINESS CLIMATE

Chicago Business Barometer, 2015-2016



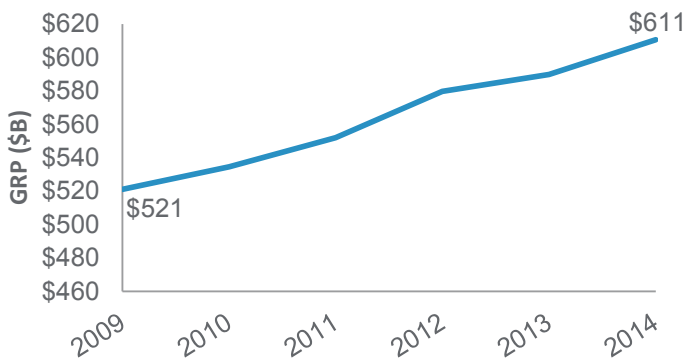
Hours in congestion, MSA, 2009-2015



*Q2 data is unavailable for 2013

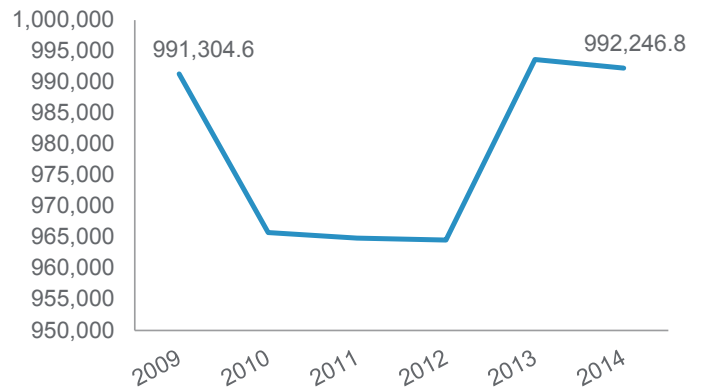
OUTPUT

GRP, \$2014, MSA, 2009-2014



WEALTH

Middle Income Jobs, MSA*, 2009-2014



*Data is for the Chicago Metropolitan Division, excludes counties located in Indiana and Wisconsin

Indicator	Date	Month/Quarter		
		Most Recent	Year Earlier	Yr-On-Yr Change
Total private payroll jobs (1,000)-City	Dec-15	1,209.6	1,210.1	-0.04%
Construction	Dec-15	28.0	26.6	5.1%
Professional and Business Services	Dec-15	284.7	281.0	1.3%
Retail Trade	Dec-15	104.3	103.2	1.0%
Educational and Health Services	Dec-15	248.6	247.7	0.4%
Other Services	Dec-15	67.3	67.1	0.2%
Wholesale trade	Dec-15	45.9	45.9	-0.1%
Financial Activities	Dec-15	129.0	129.3	-0.3%
Information	Dec-15	34.2	34.4	-0.4%
Leisure and Hospitality	Dec-15	132.3	134.6	-1.7%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	Dec-15	74.5	76.0	-1.9%
Manufacturing	Dec-15	60.6	63.9	-5.1%
Natural Resources and Mining	Dec-15	0.2	0.2	-5.9%
Unemployment rate-City	Dec-15	6.1	6.1	0.0
Unemployment insurance claims-Cook County	Jan-16	21,420	23,070	-7.2%
New hires (1,000)-Midwest	Dec-15	1,268	1,170	8.4%
Online job postings-Cook County	Q4-2015	132,566	N/A*	N/A*
% of firms hiring (forecast)-MSA	Q1-2016	16.0	18.0	-2.0
Cost of Doing Business Index-MSA	2014	99.1	N/A	N/A
Hours wasted in congestion-City	Q2-2015	6:30	7:04	-0:34
Major business expansions-MSA	2015	653	624	4.6%
Index of Consumer Sentiment-Natl	Feb-16	90.7	95.4	-4.7
Consumer Confidence Index-Natl	Jan-16	98.1	103.8	-5.7
Architecture Billings Index-Natl	Dec-15	50.9	52.2	-1.3
Producer Price Index-Natl	Dec-15	191.2	196.7	-5.5
Freight Transportation Services Index-Natl	Dec-15	121.0	123.5	-2.5
Midwest Economy Index-Midwest	Dec-15	-0.15	0.43	-0.58
Chicago Business Barometer (Purchasing Mgrs Index)-MSA	Jan-16	55.6	59.4	-3.8
Air cargo tonnage-ORD+MDW	Dec-15	141,070	141,420	-0.2%
Digital startup funding (\$M)-MSA	2014	1,585	1,053	50.5%
Business Climate Index-MSA	2014	52.9	N/A	N/A
Cost of Living Index-City	Q3 2015	118.5	114.4	4.1
Office vacancy rate-downtown	Q4 2015	11.4	12.6	-1.0
Office vacancy rate-suburbs	Q4 2015	18.4	18.9	-0.7
Industrial vacancy rate	Q4 2015	6.5	N/A	N/A

Chicago by the Numbers

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Indicator	Date	Month/Quarter		
		Most Recent	Year Earlier	Yr-On-Yr Change
OUTPUT GRP (est., \$B, \$2014)-MSA	2014	610.6	599.4	1.9%
Exports (\$B)-Illinois	2015	63.4	68.2	-7.1%
Leading Economic Index (2004=100)-Natl	Dec-15	123.7	N/A**	N/A**
Loans to small/medium enterprises-MSA	2014	135,270	124,726	8.5%
Venture capital rounds-MSA	Q4 2015	19.0	24.0	-20.8%
Venture capital investment (\$M)-MSA	Q4 2015	553.8	440.2	25.8%
Business establishments-City	2015	76,474	73,857	3.5%
Patents issued-City	Jan-16	124	107	15.9%
Consumer Price Index (CPI-U)-CMSA	Dec-15	226.3	226.3	0.0
Business bankruptcies-Cook County	2015	506	556	-9.0%
WEALTH Median HH Income (\$2014)-MSA	2014	61,497	62,148	-1.0%
GINI Coefficient-MSA	2014	0.476	0.474	0.4%
% of individuals below poverty level-MSA	2014	14.1	13.8	0.3
Middle income jobs (\$2014)-Metro Division	2014	992,247	993,634	-0.1%
Wages (\$2014)-MSA	2014	56,861	56,232	1.1%
Sales tax receipts (\$M)-City	Q3-2015	73.7	69.5	6.1%

Green = Improving; Red = Worsening

Footnotes and Sourcing

*Data provider is continually improving its collection method, so year-over-year growth is not directly comparable nor attributable to a change in labor demand

**2015 data incorporates annual benchmark revisions to the composite economic indexes, so revised data are not directly comparable to prior years

Data is current as of February 18, 2016; preliminary estimates are subject to revision. Data is not adjusted for seasonality unless noted. The Chicago metropolitan statistical area (MSA) 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 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 movement 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. Middle income jobs refer to occupations with annual wages \$30-50k. The Chicago metropolitan division is comprised of Cook, DeKalb, DuPage, Grundy, Kane, Kendall, McHenry, and Will counties in Illinois.

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