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Kendall County GIS

Beginning with the flood of settlement during "The Year of the Early Spring" in 1833, new communities began springing up like daffodils after a warm spring shower. According to contemporary accounts, 1832 enjoyed a warm, early spring when the dirt roads of the era dried out much earlier than usual. The favorable conditions persuaded hundreds of immigrants to load their wagons and head west to settle on the Illinois prairies.

Oswego's municipal boosters were first, laying out their village on the bluff overlooking the Fox River and Waubesa Creek in 1835, followed by Newark (also 1835), Yorkville (1836), Little Rock (1836), Lisbon (1838) and Millington (1838).

One of the first things many new settlers and businessmen found when it came time to conduct their legal business was that it was a long, long way to the county seat. Residents of Oswego, Bristol, and Little Rock townships had to travel all the way north to Geneva to conduct legal business at the Kane County Courthouse, while those living in NaAuSay, Kendall, Fox, Big Grove, Lisbon, and Seward townships had to trek down to Ottawa to visit the courthouse and county officials. In the days of horseback and team and wagon travel, those were both considerably journeys.

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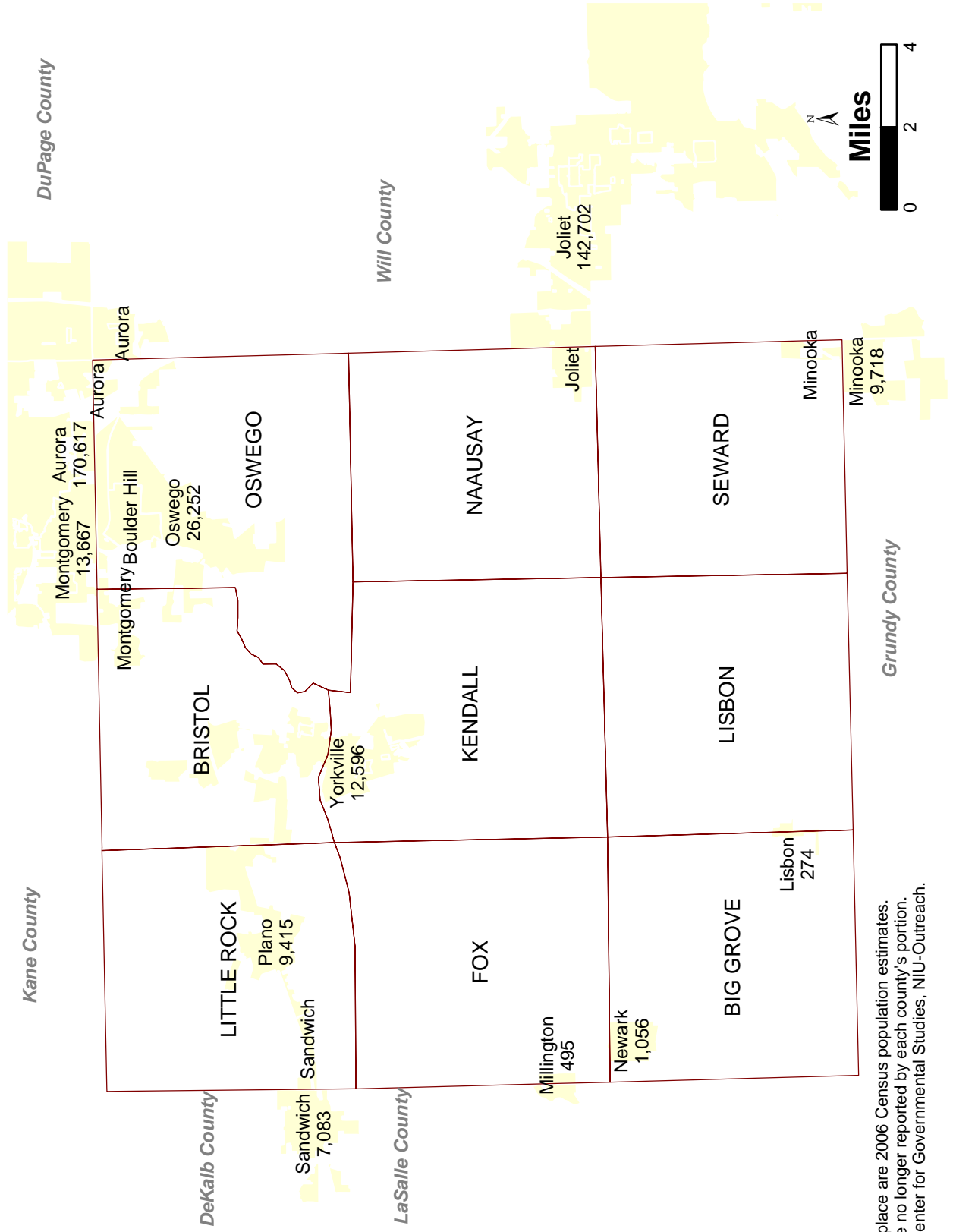
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Places and Townships



Note: Figures in each place are 2006 Census population estimates. Data for split places are no longer reported by each county's portion. Map prepared by the Center for Governmental Studies, NIU-Outreach.

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Population Density 2007
284.8 persons
per square mile

Median Age of
County Population
32.35

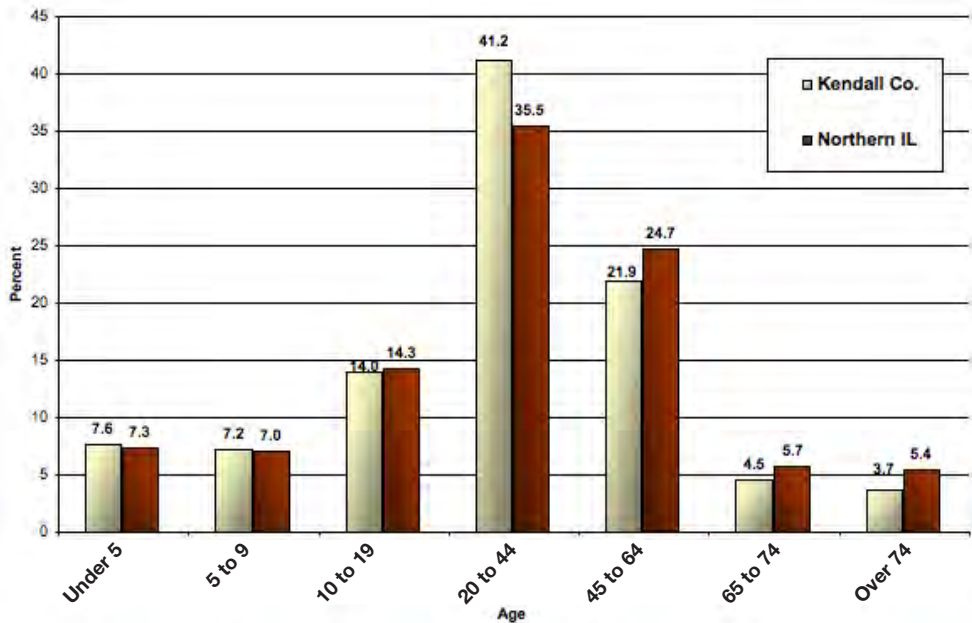
Figure 24A Population Trends and Projections

	Total 1990	Total 2000	Total 2007 (est.)	Total 2020 (proj.)
Kendall Co. Population	39,508	54,544	90,344	116,149
Percent of Northern Illinois	0.5%	0.6%	0.9%	1.1%

Sources: U.S. Census Bureau; Woods & Poole 2007

Note: 1990, and 2000 are actual census counts. Census 2007 estimate = 88,158. 2007 is a Woods & Poole estimate; 2020 is a Woods & Poole projection.

Figure 24B Age Distribution in 2007 by Percent of Population

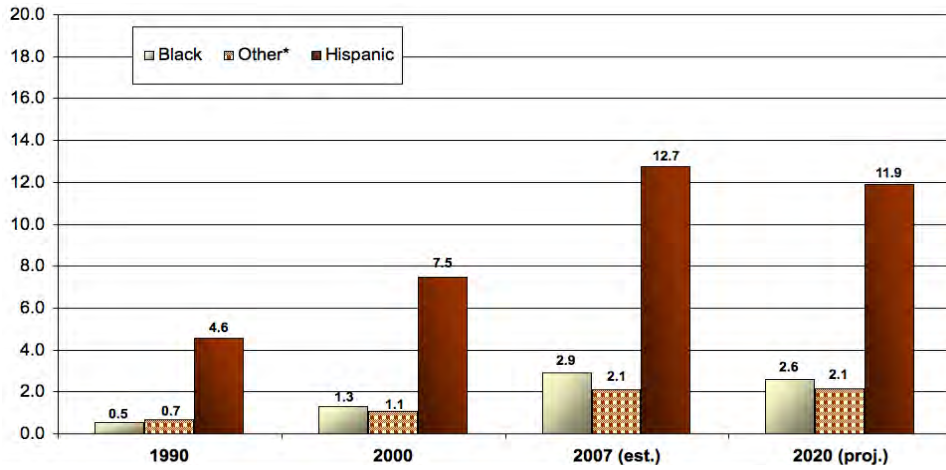


Source: Woods & Poole, 2007

Note: Numbers may not add up to 100% due to computer rounding.

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Figure 24C County Minority Population by Percent



Sources: 1990, 2000 Census; Woods & Poole, 2007
 *Other is Asian/Pacific Islander and American Indian.

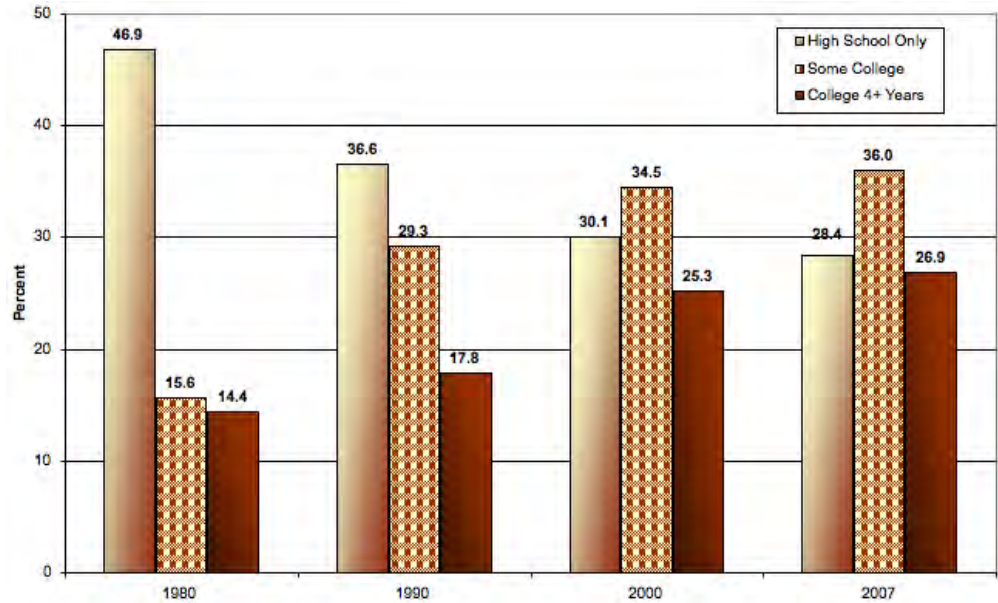
Figure 24D Household Trends and Projections

	1990	2000	2007 (est.)	2020 (proj.)
Number of Households	13,301	18,798	31,962	42,535
Percent of Northern Illinois	0.4%	0.6%	0.9%	1.1%
Kendall Co.: Persons per Household	2.94	2.89	2.82	2.73
Northern Illinois: Persons per Household	2.67	2.62	2.57	2.50

Sources: 1990, 2000 Census; Woods & Poole, 2007

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Figure 24E Highest Educational Attainment: Percent of Persons Age 25 and Over



Sources: U.S. Census Bureau; Easy Analytic Software, Inc., 2007
See Figure 3 in the Regional Section for comparisons.

Figure 24F General School Enrollment Information for Kendall County

K-12 Districts	3
Elementary Districts	2
High School Districts	1
Special Education and Other Cooperative Districts	1
Public School Student Enrollment 2007-2008	22,460
Largest District Enrollment	4,821
Smallest District Enrollment	130
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Number of Non-Public Schools*	3
Non-Public School Enrollment 2006-2007	673
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Total 2006 Equalized Assessed Valuation Per Student	\$114,207
Estimated Average Property Tax Rate per \$100 in Assessment Year '06	\$7.54

Sources: IL State Board of Education Fall Housing Reports 2007-08; 2006 PTAX-250; CGS
Note: Data reflect all types of districts and have differing grade levels included.
Special Education/Other Cooperatives are not included in the range of largest to smallest.
*These data reflect only those schools reporting data 2006-2007.

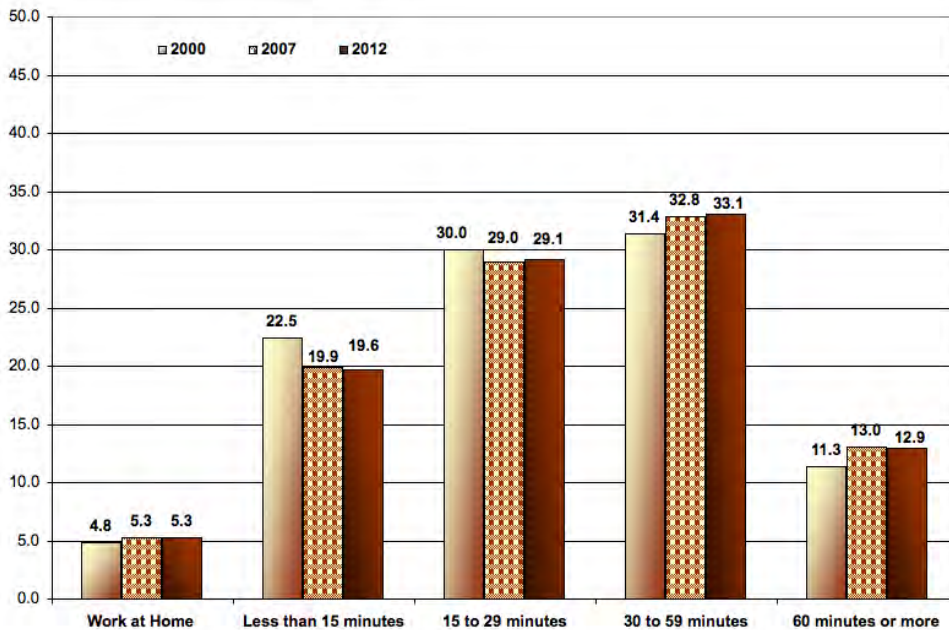
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Figure 24G Labor Force Participation Characteristics

	1990	2000	2007
Total in Civilian Labor Force	21,425	29,697	49,476
% of persons 16 and over	74.1	73.9	74.1
% of persons 65 and over	13.8	16.1	9.4
% of women in labor force	64.9	65.6	66.2
% of labor force that is female	44.2	44.9	44.7
% self-employed	6.1	5.5	5.0
% white collar	56.1	64.0	62.7

Sources: U.S. Census Bureau, 2000; Easy Analytic Software, Inc., 2007;
Longitudinal Employer - Household Dynamics, 2007
Note: For residents 16 years old and over by place of residence.

Figure 24H Travel Time to Work, 2000, 2007, 2012



Source: Easy Analytic Software, Inc., 2007

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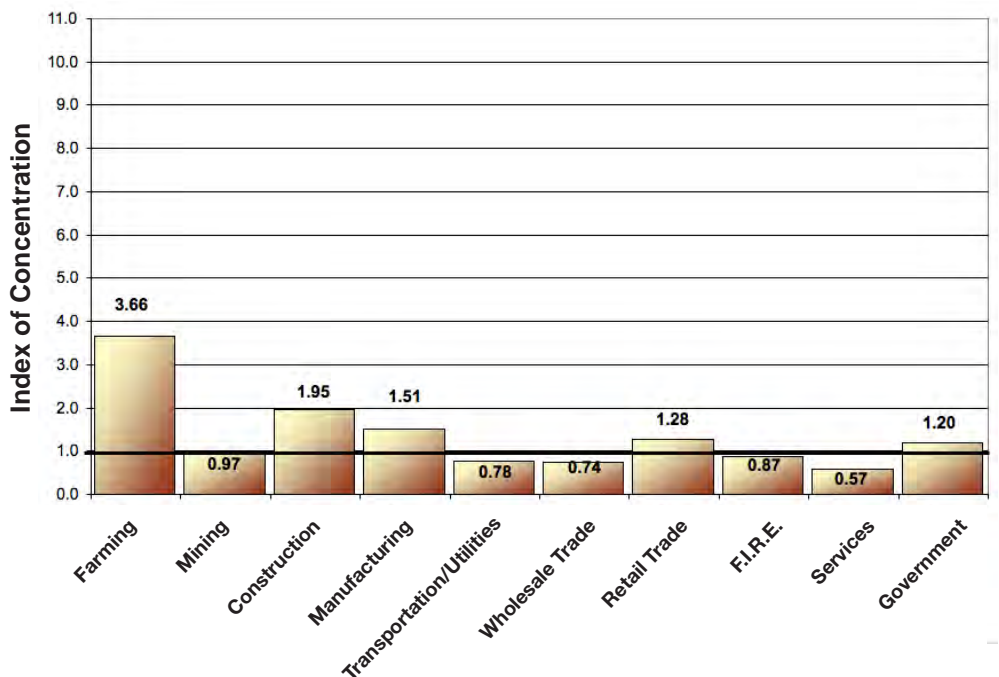
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Figure 24I Estimated Distribution of County Employment by Industry (Percent)

	Kendall 1990	N IL 1990	Kendall 2000	N IL 2000	Kendall 2007	N IL 2007
Farming	4.4%	0.6%	3.6%	0.5%	2.6%	0.4%
Ag Services/Forest & Fishing	1.6	0.6	2.5	0.8	1.8	0.8
Mining	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Construction	8.4	4.7	8.6	4.9	10.1	5.1
Manufacturing	35.4	16.2	22.3	13.2	15.3	10.1
Transportation/Utilities	3.2	5.5	3.2	5.8	4.1	5.2
Wholesale Trade	3.3	6.6	3.8	5.7	3.9	5.3
Retail Trade	13.4	15.5	18.7	14.7	18.9	14.8
F.I.R.E.	4.9	9.6	7.5	9.7	9.1	10.5
Services	15.6	28.7	18.9	33.8	21.1	36.8
Government	9.6	11.8	10.9	10.9	12.9	10.8
Total no. of jobs	15,302	4,863,719	21,651	5,626,109	28,053	5,840,376

Source: Woods & Poole, 2007
 Note: Employment measured by "place of work".

Figure 24J Concentration of County Employment by Industry Sectors, 2007

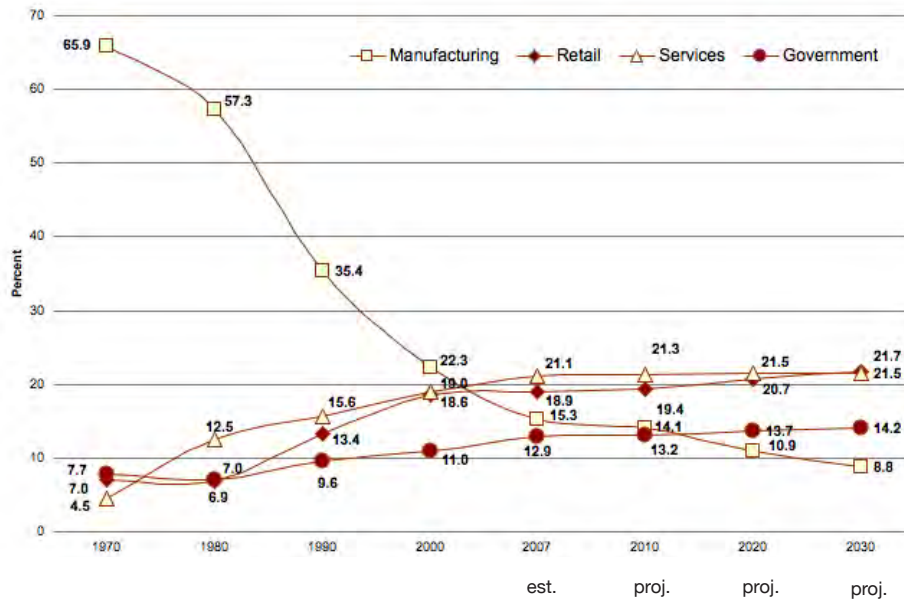


Sources: Woods & Poole 2007; Northern Illinois University

Note: Values greater than 1.0 indicate a local employment concentration greater than the same sector in the Northern Illinois region.

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Figure 24K Historic Distribution of Employment by Industry Sectors (Percent)



Source: Woods & Poole, 2007

Figure 24L Local Economic Vitality

	County Highest Sales Manufacturing Growth Industry	Total Business
Business Startup Rate - 2006	8.96%	12.78%
Business Startup Index - '05-07	1.04	1.22
Business Failure Rate - 2006	17.69%	21.87%
Business Retention Index - '05-07	1.16	1.08
Sales Growth Index	6.22	0.44

Source: Bizminer.com, 2007

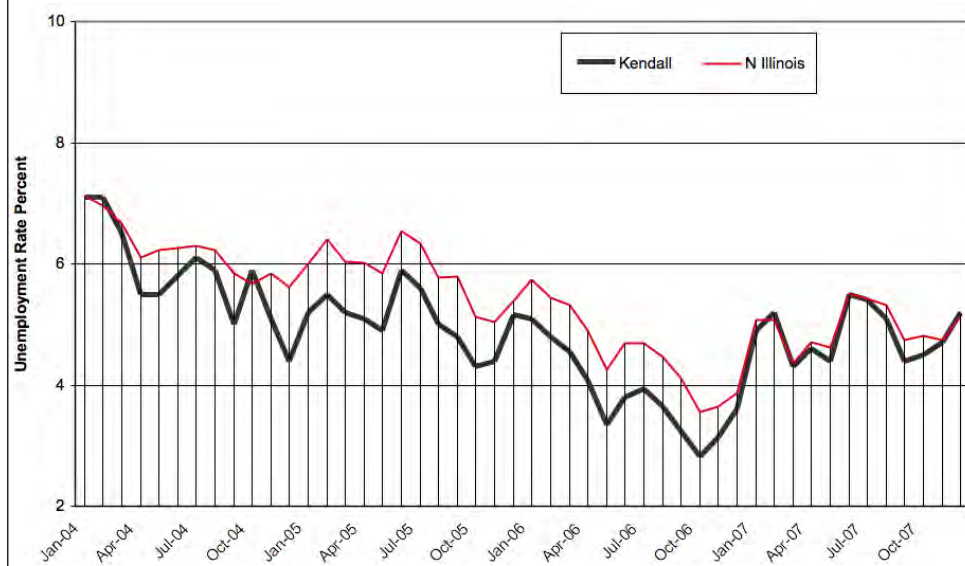
All indices are measured against U.S. Index of 1; higher local indices show more vitality. Startup Activity Rate measures the percentage of firms which began operations over the last year compared to the number of firms doing business in the area for which ages can be identified. The Startup Index is an indicator of an area's ability to generate economic dynamism from new sources. Business Failure Rate measures the number of businesses remaining in operation three years after the initial measurement date and count of local businesses. Areas with high vitality performance - many entrepreneurs, business in-migration, and new branch attraction often have low retention rates; while low growth areas have higher retention rates.

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State Annual Average

- 1998 - 4.5
- 1999 - 4.3
- 2000 - 4.3
- 2001 - 5.4
- 2002 - 6.5
- 2003 - 6.6
- 2004 - 6.1
- 2005 - 5.7
- 2006 - 4.5
- 2007 - 5.0

Figure 24M Unemployment Rates by Month (Percent)



Source: Illinois Department of Employment Security

Figure 24N Employment and Establishments for 2nd Quarter 2007

	Establishments	Employed	Wages (000's)
Total	1,743	23,645	\$204,084
Private Sector (NAICS)	1,661	19,694	186,388
GOODS-PRODUCING	467	6,571	97,761
Natural Resources and Mining	17	97	1,121
Construction	366	2,040	25,408
Manufacturing	84	4,434	71,232
SERVICE-PROVIDING	1,194	13,123	88,628
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	342	6,796	49,409
Wholesale Trade (42)	93	716	7,808
Retail Trade (44,45)	163	3,874	22,658
Transportation & Warehousing (48,49)	86	2,206	18,943
Utilities (22)	0	0	0
Information	11	127	775
Financial Activities	139	757	6,835
Finance & Insurance (52)	81	557	5,303
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing (53)	58	200	1,532
Professional and Business Services	290	1,517	13,421
Professional, Scientific & Technical Services (54)	163	631	5,939
Management of Companies & Enterprises (55)	6	21	526
Administrative & Support & Waste Mngmt. (56)	121	865	6,956
Educational and Health Services	115	1,128	8,212
Educational Services (61)	15	120	538
Health Care & Social Assistance (62)	100	1,008	7,675
Leisure and Hospitality	139	1,878	5,201
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation (71)	28	195	593
Accommodation & Food Services (72)	111	1,683	4,609
Other Services	136	893	4,638
Unclassified	22	27	135
State & Local Government	72	3,811	36,277
State Government	0	0	0
Local Government	72	3,811	36,277
Federal Government	10	140	1,680

Source: 'Illinois At Work', Illinois Department of Employment Security
 Includes all employment covered by IL Unemployment Insurance Act
 *Data not available due to suppression for privacy

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Figure 24O Comparison of Equalized Assessed Valuations by Class of Property, 2004, 2005, 2006 (Thousands of Dollars)*

	Assessment Years			% Change 05-06	2006 Average Tax Rate*
	2004	2005	2006		
Residential	\$1,394,695	\$1,723,491	\$2,137,162	24.0%	\$7.51
Farm	\$100,833	\$103,272	\$101,800	-1.4%	\$6.92
Commercial	\$190,663	\$225,683	\$242,030	7.2%	\$7.50
Industrial	\$135,163	\$80,483	\$82,529	2.5%	\$7.79

Source: County Clerks' Offices PTAX 250

*Average tax rate per \$100 of equalized assessed valuation.

Figure 24P Residential Housing Information

	1990	2000	2006
Housing Units	13,747	19,519	33,579
% Vacant Units	3.2%	3.7%	4.9%
Median Housing Value	\$99,700	\$154,900	\$261,404
Median Sale Price of Single Family Homes	N/A	\$142,300	\$239,870
Occupied Rental Units	3,070	2,988	4,799
Median Rent	\$416	\$638	\$956

Sources: 1990, 2000 Census of Population and Housing;
Easy Analytic Software, 2006; Illinois Association of Realtors, 2006
Note: Price is 3rd quarter median sale price.

Figure 24Q Residential Migration Patterns

	1990	2000
Persons 5 yrs and older	36,402	50,195
Residing in same house as 5 yrs ago	57.5%	54.3%
Lived in a different house in the U.S.	41.7%	44.9%
Same State	37.1%	39.3%
Residing in different house, same county	16.4%	14.6%
Residing in a different county	20.7%	24.7%
Different State	4.6%	5.6%
Lived Abroad	0.8%	0.8%
% Foreign Born of Total Population	1.4%	5.3%

Source: 1990, 2000 Census

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Foreign Owned
Agricultural Land

1992 - 3 parcels
767 acres

1996 - 2 parcels
548 acres

2002 - 2 parcels
487 acres

Number of Farms in
Kendall County

1982 - 1,142
1987 - 1,070
1992 - 955
1997 - 941
2002 - 412

Average Illinois
Price Per Bushel

2005 est. for 2004
Corn \$2.08
Soybeans \$5.76

2006 est. for 2005
Corn \$3.35
Soybeans \$6.40

2008 est. for 2007
Corn \$4.05
Soybeans \$11.00

Figure 24R Land in Farms, 1997 and 2002

	1997	% of Total Land	2002	% of Total Land
Kendall Co.(acres)	169,909	82.3	168,082	81.4
Northern Illinois (acres)	5,832,569		5,616,194	

Source: U.S. Department of Agriculture, 2002 Census of Agriculture

Figure 24S Harvested Cropland, Total Market Value of Crops Sold, 1997 and 2002

	1997	% of Region Total	2002	% of Region Total
Kendall Co. Harvested Cropland (acres)	154,898	3.1	157,357	3.2
Northern Illinois Harvested Cropland (acres)	4,936,291		4,851,468	
Kendall Co. Market Value of Products Sold (\$1,000)	59,280	2.6	58,131	2.8
Northern Illinois Market Value of Products Sold (\$1,000)	2,311,234		2,089,310	

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2002 Census of Agriculture
Note: Region now includes 22 Northern Illinois counties.

Figure 24T Major Crop Production

	2005	2006	2007
Corn			
Production (bushels)	8,778,000	13,505,600	16,378,500
Yield (bushels/acre)	110	184	183
% of Northern Total	2.2%	2.9%	2.8%
Soybeans			
Production (bushels)	2,488,700	3,370,800	2,490,000
Yield (bushels/acre)	41	53	50
% of Northern Total	3.3%	3.7%	3.9%

Source: Illinois Department of Agriculture, 2008

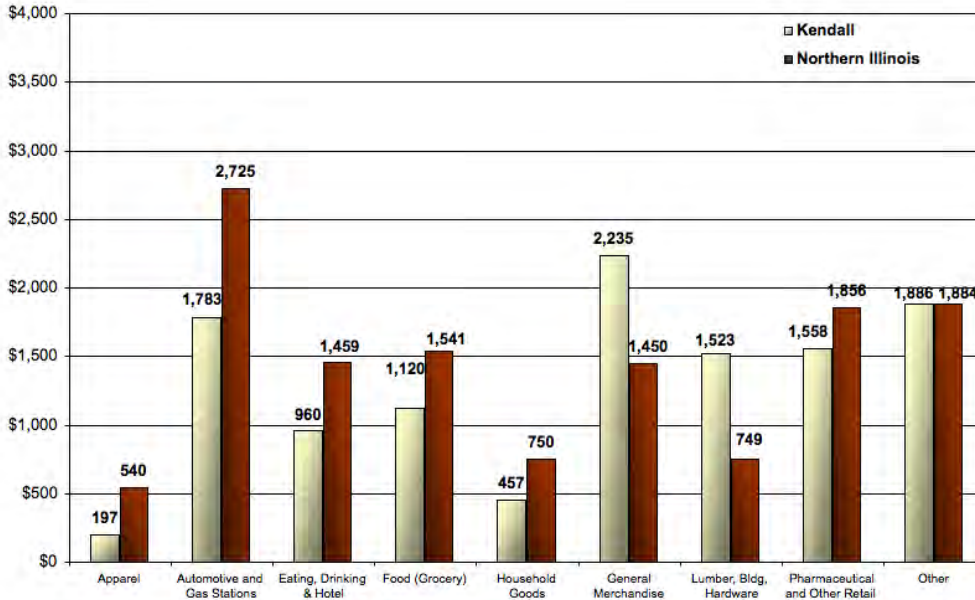
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Per Capita Retail Sales Totals

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\$11,719

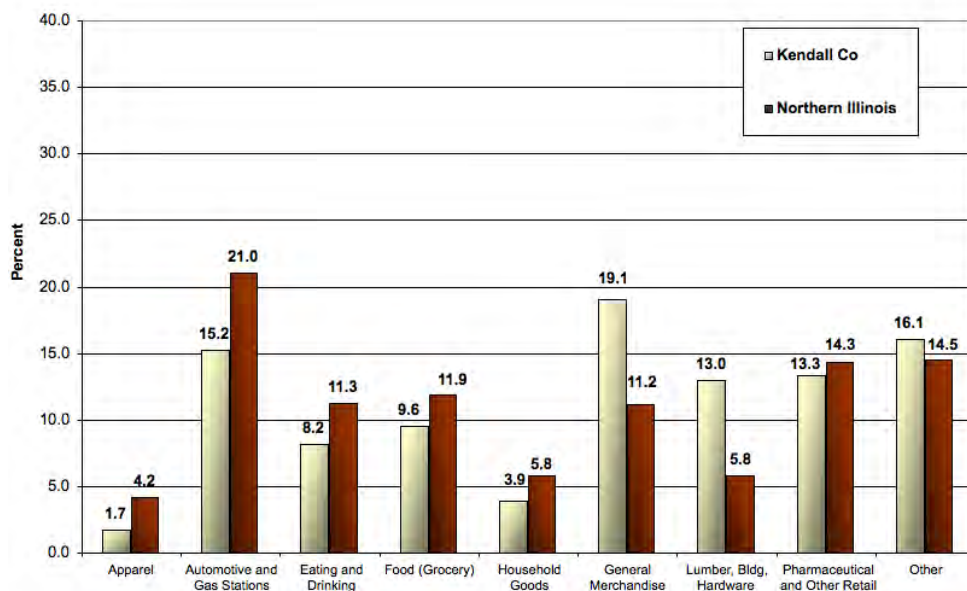
N Illinois Region
\$12,956

Figure 24U Per Capita Retail Sales by Retail Stores in County, 2007 (Dollars)



Sources: Illinois Department of Revenue, 2008; 2007 Census Estimates (2008)

Figure 24V Distribution of Sales by Retail Stores in County, 2007 (Percent)



Source: Illinois Department of Revenue, 2008

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Note: In some cases, historical data have been re-estimated.

Figure 24W Per Capita Income, 1990, 2000, and 2007 (estimated), Current Dollars

	1990	2000	2007 (est.)	Annualized % Change 2000-2007
Kendall Co.	\$19,875	\$ 31,158	\$ 31,390	0.1%
Northern Illinois	\$19,226	\$ 29,237	\$ 35,856	3.0%
Illinois	\$20,824	\$ 32,185	\$ 39,807	3.1%
		County	State	U.S.
2007 Wealth Index		92.80	107.37	100.00

Source: Woods & Poole, 2007

Figure 24X Household Income

	1990	2000	2007
Households w/Money Income	13,296	18,789	31,945
Less than \$25,000	21.0%	28.1%	9.0%
\$25,000-50,000	41.2%	34.6%	18.6%
\$50,001-100,000	33.4%	30.0%	43.7%
More than \$100,000	4.4%	7.3%	28.7%
Median Household Income	\$42,834	\$40,411	\$73,637

Sources: U.S. Census Bureau; Easy Analytic Software, Inc., 2007

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Figure 24Y County Amenities

Leisure and Recreation

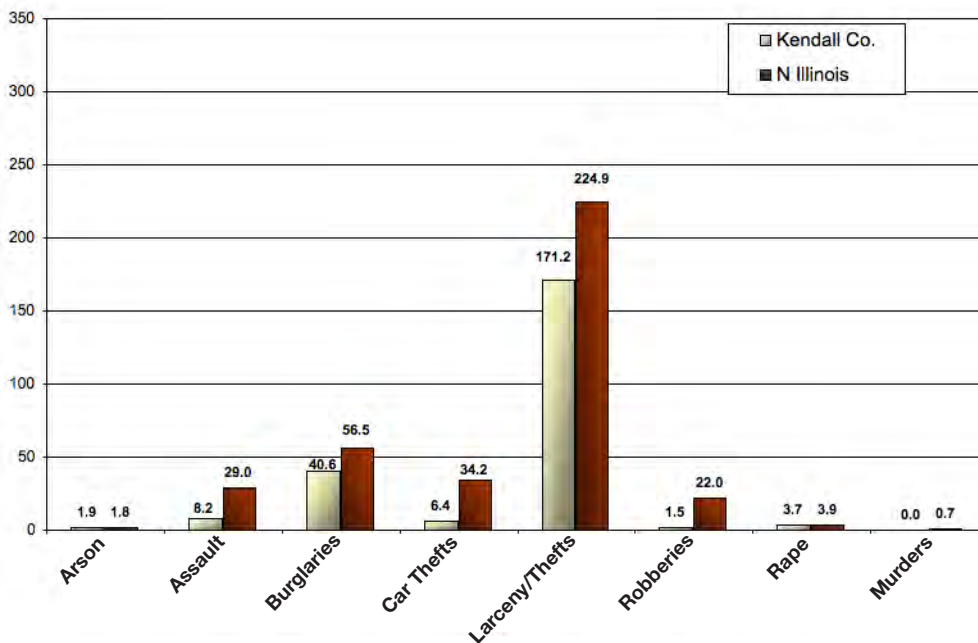
Museums	1
Forest Preserves/Conservation/Natural Areas	10
Golf Courses	2
State Parks	1

Agritourism

Wineries	1
Farmer's Markets	2
Seasonal Farm Attractions	1

Note: All counts are estimates. Data changes as new facilities come on line.

Figure 24Z Criminal Offenses Reported in Kendall County, 2007
(Per 10,000 Persons)



Sources: Illinois State Police, 2007; US Census 2006 Population Estimate

Total Reported Index Crimes for 2006: 2,058

Total Reported Index Crimes for 2005: 1,715

Total Reported Index Crimes for 2004: 1,515

Total Reported Index Crimes for 2003: 1,485

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Figure 24AA State Revenue Collections and Expenditures in Kendall County

Revenues Collected (millions of dollars)	
State Sales and Use Taxes (2007)	\$64.5
Individual Income Taxes (est. FY 2001)	35.3
State Motor Fuel Tax (est. FY 2001)	7.9
Local Property Tax (2006)	192.1
State Expenditures (millions of dollars)	
Education (1999-2000)	\$25.2
Public Aid (FY 2006)	11.9
State Payroll (2007)	15.6
Number of State Employees (2007)	320

Sources: Illinois Legislative Research Unit, Illinois County Data Book, 2002; State of Illinois Office of the Comptroller, 2007; County Clerk's Office - PTAX 250

Average Daily Miles
Travelled 2007
2,150,002

Change 2006-2007
1.9%

Figure 24AB Proposed New State Expenditures for Highway Improvements in FY2008*

Kendall County	Total	Per Mile
State Roads	\$ 30,650,000	\$ 305,066
Local Roads	\$ 1,898,000	\$ 2,378
Total Improvements	\$ 32,548,000	\$ 36,220
N IL Total Improvements	\$ 892,761,000	\$ 19,335

Source: Illinois Department of Transportation, Proposed Improvements for Illinois Highways FY 2008
*This is in addition to ongoing projects from previously funded improvement programs. These funds do not include local funds used for highway improvements.

Figure 24AC Banking Resources in the County, 2007*

	Kendall Co.	N Illinois	Illinois
Commercial Banks	16	556	629
Offices	38	2,932	4,430
Deposits	\$1,110,000	\$255,899,000	\$306,649,000
Savings Institutions	1	104	100
Offices	1	413	520
Deposits	\$8,000	\$18,611,000	\$32,113,000
Offices per 10,000 Population	4.4	3.5	3.2
Total Deposits/County Population	\$12,704	\$28,655	\$26,780
Share of N/Illinois Deposits	0.4%	81.0%	
Deposit to Earnings Ratio	\$1,417	\$1,164	\$1,087
Deposit to Income Ratio	\$57	\$90	\$86

Sources: FDIC Data Website 2008; US Census Population Estimates 2006
*Data are for federally chartered banks only, dollars are in thousands.

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Figure 24AD IRS Tax Returns Filed* by Migrating Kendall County Residents 2003-2006

Three Year Total (2003-2006)	Migrating Into County	Migrating Out of County	Net Change
Total Movement	13,608	6,865	6,743
Domestic Migration	13,593	6,853	6,740
Same State	11,935	5,124	6,811
Different State	1,658	1,729	-71
Foreign Migration	15	12	3

Three Year Average (2003-2006)	Migrating Into County	Migrating Out of County	Net Change
Estimated Median Reported Income	\$59,106	\$49,827	\$9,279
Aggregate Reported Income (\$000)	\$269,979	\$114,618	\$155,362

Source: U.S. Internal Revenue Service, County Migration Flows 2007

*This count is roughly equivalent to the number of households moving in and out of the county.

Figure 24AE Trade Area Analysis of Retail Sales, 2006

Merchandise Group	Potential Purchases by County Residents	Sales Reported by County Merchants	Surplus or Leakage	Ratio of County Per Capita Sales to State Per Capita Sales
General Merch.	\$1,617,340	\$1,712,345	\$95,005	126.4%
Food	\$1,530,910	\$1,114,305	-\$416,604	86.9%
Eating/Drinking	\$1,383,342	\$866,392	-\$516,950	74.8%
Apparel	\$464,815	\$60,569	-\$404,245	15.6%
Home Furnishings	\$734,703	\$236,774	-\$497,928	38.5%
Building Merch.	\$837,604	\$1,084,788	\$247,184	154.6%
Auto./Fill. Stations	\$2,912,353	\$1,561,357	-\$1,340,996	64.0%
Drugs/Other Retail	\$1,786,223	\$1,727,106	-\$59,117	115.4%
Agriculture	\$1,661,262	\$1,484,900	-\$176,363	106.7%
Manufacturing	\$346,553	\$285,214	-\$61,339	98.2%
Total Sales	\$13,275,105	\$10,133,751	-\$3,141,354	91.1%

Sources: Illinois Department of Revenue, 2005, Kind of Business Report; U.S. Census Bureau County Business Patterns.

Note: Potential Sales is derived from the county population times the state average per capita spending in each category times the ratio of county per capita income to state per capita income.