

Key Social, Economic and Health Trends in Western Cook and Eastern DuPage Counties

Prepared for Community Memorial
Foundation

Key Socioeconomic Indicators

Change in Lyons and Downers Grove Townships and Surrounding Areas

The Community Memorial Foundation (CMF) commissioned this report to determine major demographic trends taking place in townships surrounding and including Lyons and Downers Grove Townships. CMF is a charitable foundation that focuses on approximately 29 suburbs that are mostly located within Lyons and Downers Grove Townships.

The sources of information in this report are the U.S. Census Bureau and the Illinois Department of Public Health. Data are presented for townships because, for many suburbs, the most recent data available is for year 2000. Township-level statistics, however, are available for the 2005-2007 period.

Following are some major patterns that may be observed from the data in this report:

Demographic Trends

Population Growing at Eastern and Western Edges of Region

Downers Grove and Lyons Townships along with surrounding townships are all experiencing population growth. High growth areas since the year 2000 are at the eastern and western extremes of the region: over 8 percent in Stickney township, which borders Chicago, and also over 8 percent in Lisle and Milton townships in central and south-central DuPage County.

Eastern Portion of Region Getting Younger; Western Portion Beginning to Age

Lyons and Stickney Townships have growing populations of children, while Lisle and Milton Townships, at the western end of the region, are actually aging, i.e., experiencing a decline in the proportion of residents under 18 years of age. Lisle and Milton also have some of the region's fastest growth of seniors.

Latino Influx into Eastern Townships; Black Growth in Southeast

Latino Population is growing most strongly in the eastern townships of the region, doubtlessly reflecting some migration from Chicago neighborhoods and from nearby inner-ring Cook townships such as Berwyn and Cicero (both of which are majority Latino).

African American growth, meanwhile is most prominent in the southeast portion of the region. Proviso Township in the northeast has had a substantial Black population for some decades, and the Black population there has stayed steady in recent years. Worth Township shows somewhat strong growth among Blacks, a fact seen in other southern Cook County townships.

Social Trends

Educational Attainment Varies from East to West

The eastern portion of the region analyzed in this report has a population with relatively lower levels of education. Stickney Township in particular has lower rates of persons with high school or college education, while the DuPage County townships have the highest levels of educational attainment in the region.

Substantial Numbers of Persons Do Not Speak English Well in Cook Townships

Ability to speak English is an indicator of social integration, and the Cook County townships have the highest levels of persons in the region who do not speak English very well. These same areas, of course, have the highest numbers of immigrants.

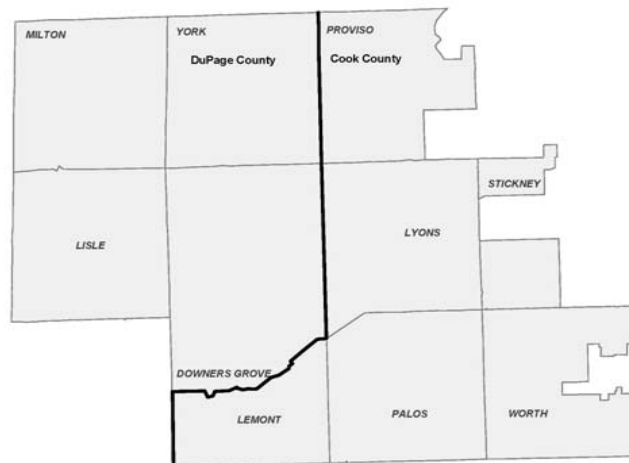
Public health indicators reflect both social class and economic standing. The township of Proviso clearly has the highest levels in the region of young mothers, low birthweight infants, and pregnant women not receiving prenatal care.

Economic Trends

Substantial Income Declines Occurring; Poverty on Rise

Levels of household income rose in nearly all the townships of the region during the 1990s, but have fallen in all areas since 2000 (data adjusted for inflation). Some townships have had declines in household income of more than ten percent, including townships in DuPage County, and these data do not include the recession that began in December 2007. Current economic hardship is reflected in measures of mortgage and rent burden, which are high in most townships. Poverty rates are up in all townships in the area.

Townships in Community Memorial Foundation Area



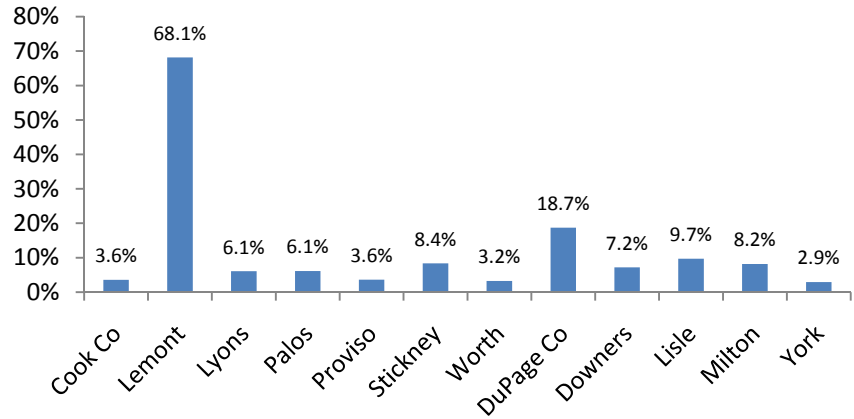
Population

	Total Population			Percent Change 1990-2006
	1990	2000	2006	
Cook Co	5,105,067	5,376,741	5,288,161	3.6%
Lemont	11,537	18,002	19,399	68.1%
Lyons	105,004	109,264	111,372	6.1%
Palos	50,916	53,419	54,038	6.1%
Proviso	152,443	155,831	157,934	3.6%
Stickney	37,297	38,673	40,416	8.4%
Worth	151,144	152,239	156,045	3.2%
DuPage Co	781,666	904,161	928,086	18.7%
Downers	137,862	148,110	147,799	7.2%
Lisle	108,452	117,604	118,966	9.7%
Milton	108,148	118,616	117,004	8.2%
York	120,546	124,553	124,094	2.9%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

2006 data are an average of 2005/07

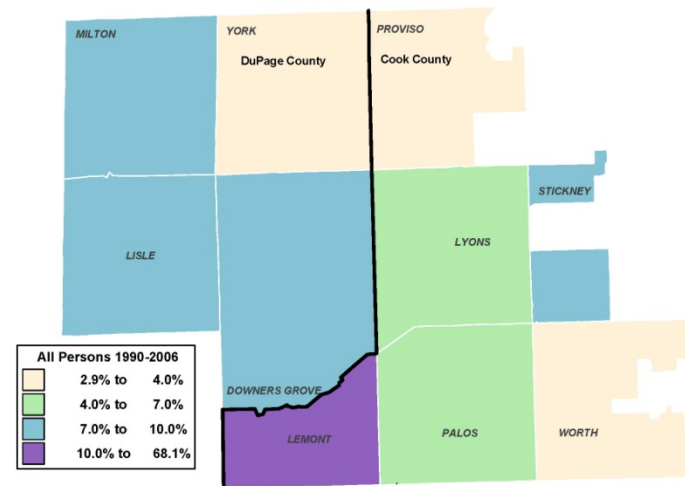
Percent Change of Total Population 1990-2006



Highlights

- Cook County grew 3.9 percent between 1990 and 2006, and DuPage County grew 18.7 percent, but Lemont Township experienced 68 percent population growth.

Total Population Change - 2007

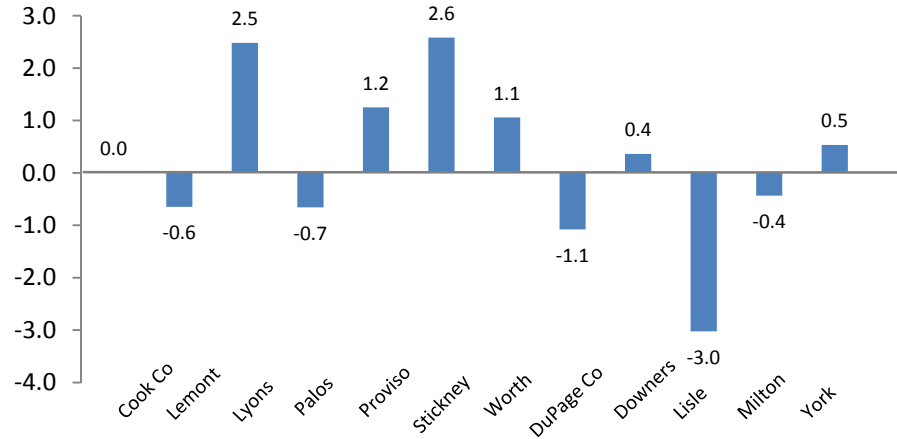


Youth

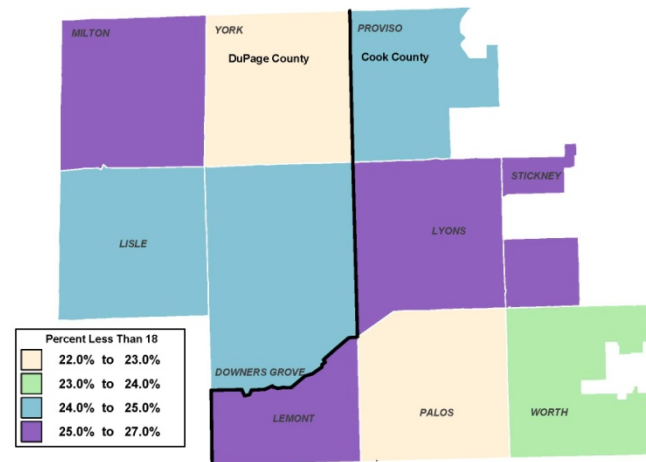
Percent of Persons under 18				Point Change 1990-2006
1990	2000	2006		
Cook Co	25.1%	26.0%	25.1%	0.0
Lemont	26.8	28.1	26.2	-0.6
Lyons	23.7	26.1	26.2	2.5
Palos	22.3	21.9	21.7	-0.7
Proviso	23.7	26.0	25.0	1.2
Stickney	23.9	25.0	26.5	2.6
Worth	22.9	24.5	23.9	1.1
DuPage Co	26.4	26.7	25.3	-1.1
Downers	24.9	25.7	25.3	0.4
Lisle	28.0	27.0	24.9	-3.0
Milton	26.4	27.4	26.0	-0.4
York	22.9	23.7	23.4	0.5

Source: U.S. Census Bureau
2006 data are an average of 2005/07

Point Change of Persons under 18
1990-2006



Percent of Population Under 18 - 2007



Highlights

- The proportion of children is growing fastest in Lyons and Stickney Townships; both had more than a two percentage point increase.
- Lisle Township has had the greatest decrease in the proportion of children.

Seniors

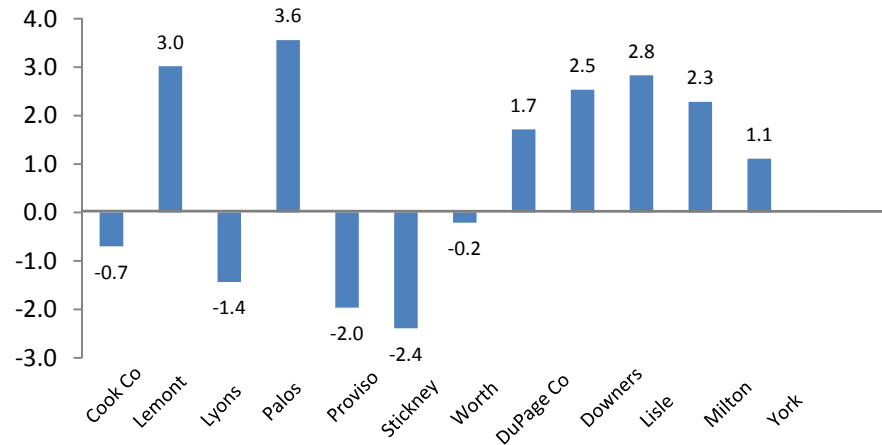
Percent of Persons 65 and Older

	Percent of Persons 65 and Older			Point Change 1990-2006
	1990	2000	2006	
Cook Co	12.4%	11.7%	11.7%	-0.7
Lemont	12.6	13.1	15.6	3.0
Lyons	13.2	13.3	11.8	-1.4
Palos	13.2	17.4	16.7	3.6
Proviso	15.0	13.8	13.1	-2.0
Stickney	14.8	14.5	12.4	-2.4
Worth	16.9	17.2	16.7	-0.2
DuPage Co	8.7	9.8	10.4	1.7
Downers	10.7	12.3	13.3	2.5
Lisle	5.6	7.3	8.4	2.8
Milton	8.9	10.2	11.2	2.3
York	13.9	16.2	15.0	1.1

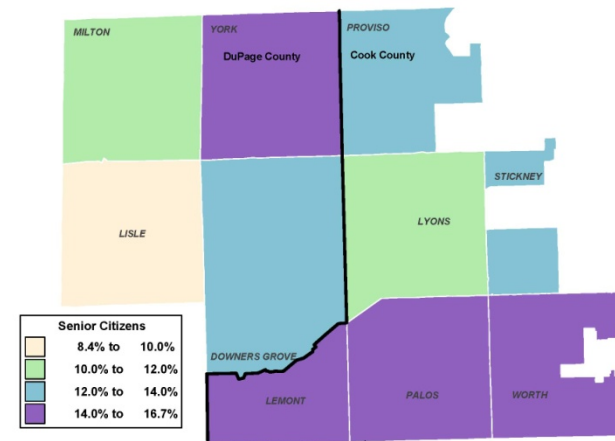
Source: U.S. Census Bureau

2006 data are an average of 2005/07

Point Change for Persons 65 and Older
1990-2006



Percent of Persons 65 And Over - 2007



Highlights

- The proportion of seniors is growing most rapidly in Lemont and Palos townships.
- Palos and Worth townships currently have the highest proportion of seniors.

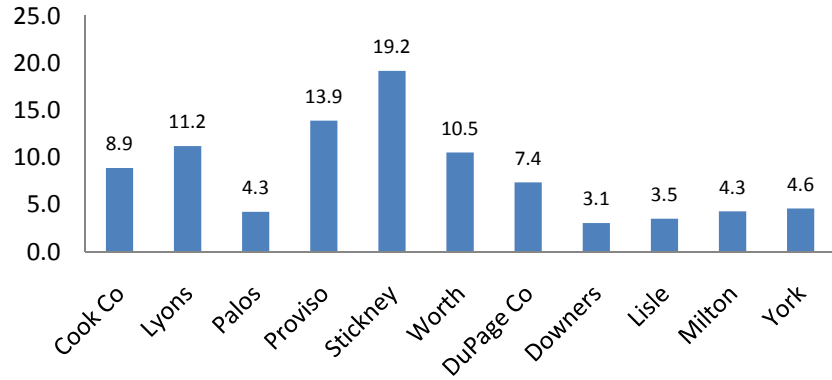
Latinos

Percent Latino

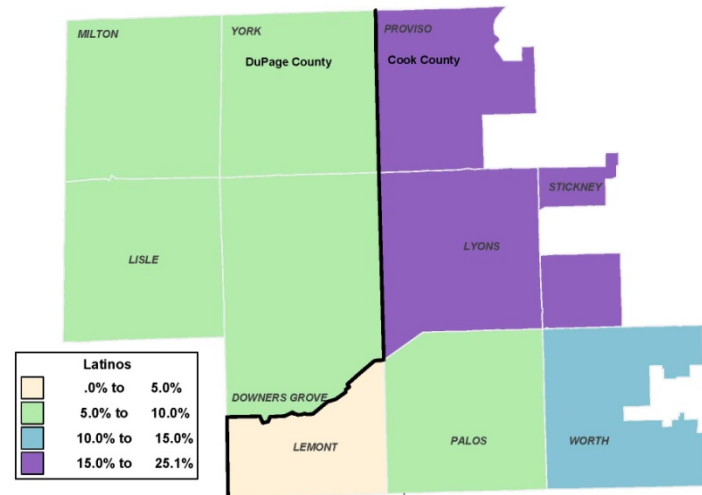
	Percent Latino			Point Change
	1990	2000	2006	1990-2006
Cook Co	13.6%	19.9%	22.5%	8.9
Lemont	2.1	2.8	N/A	N/A
Lyons	6.4	11.6	17.6	11.2
Palos	2.7	4.6	7.0	4.3
Proviso	9.7	17.3	23.6	13.9
Stickney	5.9	13.6	25.1	19.2
Worth	4.0	7.8	14.5	10.5
DuPage Co	4.4	9.0	11.8	7.4
Downers	2.3	4.0	5.4	3.1
Lisle	2.6	5.2	6.1	3.5
Milton	2.8	5.2	7.1	4.3
York	3.0	6.5	7.6	4.6

Source: U.S. Census Bureau
2006 data are an average of 2005/07

Point change in Latinos
1990-2006



Percent Latino Population - 2007



Highlights

- Proviso and Stickney townships have the highest proportion of Latino residents.
- Stickney, Proviso, Lyons and Worth townships have the fastest-growing Latino populations.

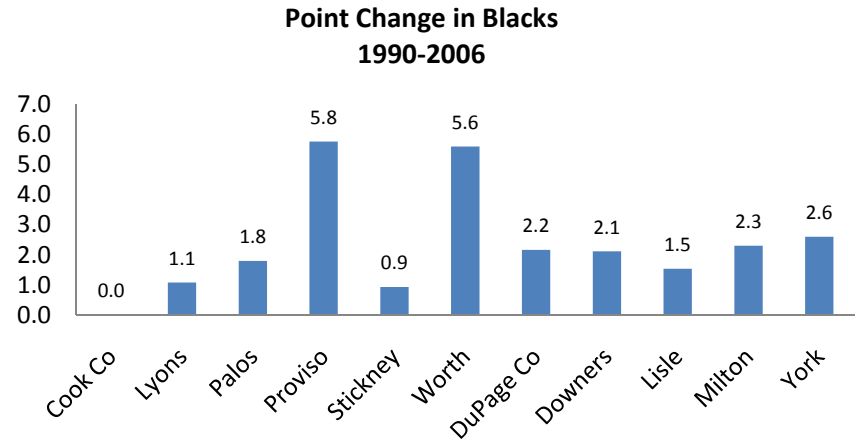
Note: 2006 data are not available for Lemont Township

African Americans

	Percent Black			Point Change 1990-2006
	1990	2000	2006	
Cook Co	25.5%	25.9%	25.5%	0.0
Lemont	0.2	0.3	N/A	N/A
Lyons	3.9	4.8	5.0	1.1
Palos	0.9	2.2	2.7	1.8
Proviso	29.2	36.3	35.0	5.8
Stickney	0.1	0.2	1.0	0.9
Worth	2.1	5.1	7.7	5.6
DuPage Co	1.9	3.0	4.1	2.2
Downers	1.6	2.6	3.7	2.1
Lisle	3.1	3.9	4.6	1.5
Milton	2.5	3.3	4.8	2.3
York	1.2	2.2	3.8	2.6

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

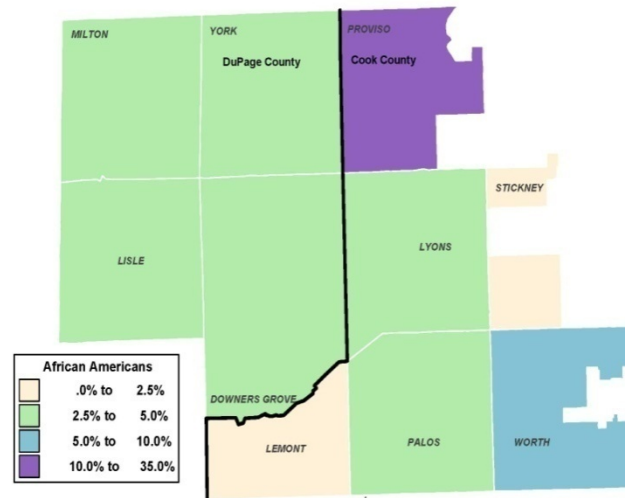
2006 data are an average of 2005/07



Highlights

- Proviso township has the highest proportion of Black residents.
- Proviso and Worth Townships have the fastest-growing Black populations.

Percent African American Population - 2007



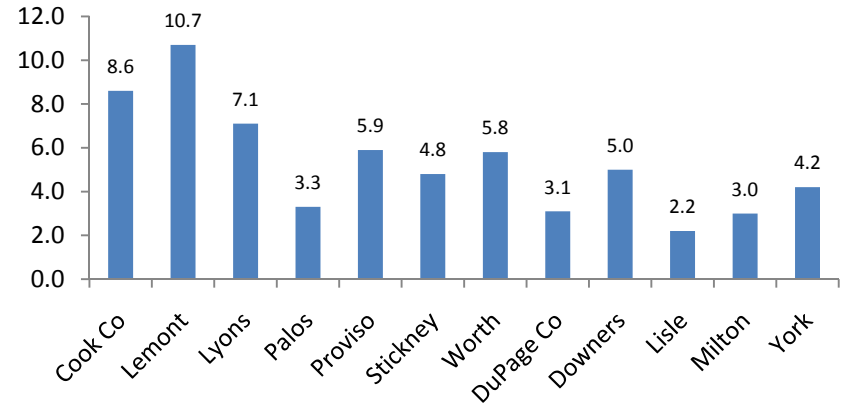
High School Graduates

Percent of Persons who are High School Graduates

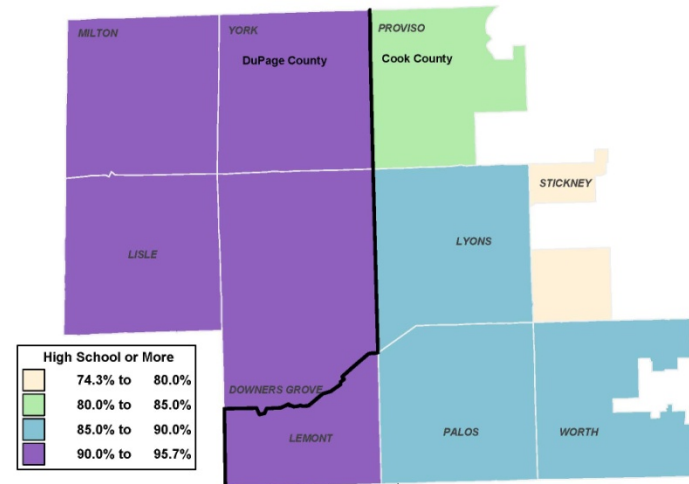
	Percent of Persons who are High School Graduates			Point Change 1990-2006
	1990	2000	2006	
Cook Co	73.4%	77.7%	82.0%	8.6
Lemont	80.7	87.1	91.4	10.7
Lyons	80.0	83.5	87.1	7.1
Palos	83.2	85.5	86.5	3.3
Proviso	76.0	79.0	81.9	5.9
Stickney	69.5	73.5	74.3	4.8
Worth	79.6	83.1	85.4	5.8
DuPage Co	88.6	90.0	91.7	3.1
Downers	90.0	93.0	95.0	5.0
Lisle	93.5	94.3	95.7	2.2
Milton	91.7	93.4	94.7	3.0
York	87.9	90.0	92.1	4.2

Source: U.S. Census Bureau
2006 data are an average of 2005/07

Point Change in High School Graduates 1990-2006



Percent High School Graduates - 2007



Highlights

- The highest rates of high school attainment are in Downers Grove and Lisle townships.
- Stickney Township has the lowest percentage of high school graduates.

College Graduates

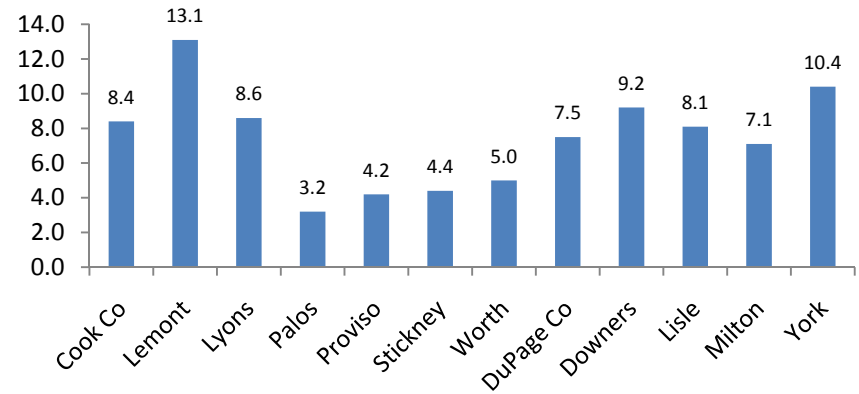
Percent of Persons with a bachelor's degree or higher

	1990	2000	2006	Point Change 1990-2006
Cook Co	22.8%	28.0%	31.2%	8.4
Lemont	21.2	32.2	34.3	13.1
Lyons	25.1	30.3	33.7	8.6
Palos	23.4	27.6	26.6	3.2
Proviso	18.0	21.3	22.2	4.2
Stickney	7.6	9.2	12.0	4.4
Worth	16.0	19.1	21.0	5.0
DuPage Co	36.0	41.7	43.5	7.5
Downers	40.1	46.3	49.3	9.2
Lisle	46.1	50.6	54.2	8.1
Milton	46.2	53.1	53.3	7.1
York	33.4	39.1	43.8	10.4

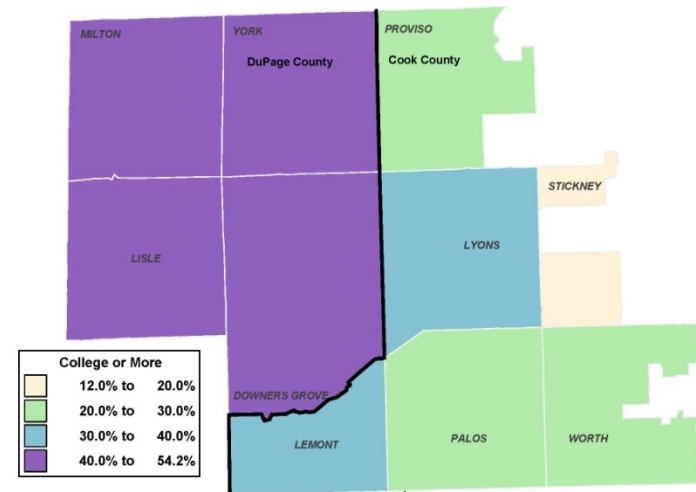
Source: U.S. Census Bureau

2006 data are an average of 2005/07

Point Change in Persons with a Bachelor's Degree or Higher 1990-2006



Percent with a Bachelor's Degree or Higher - 2007

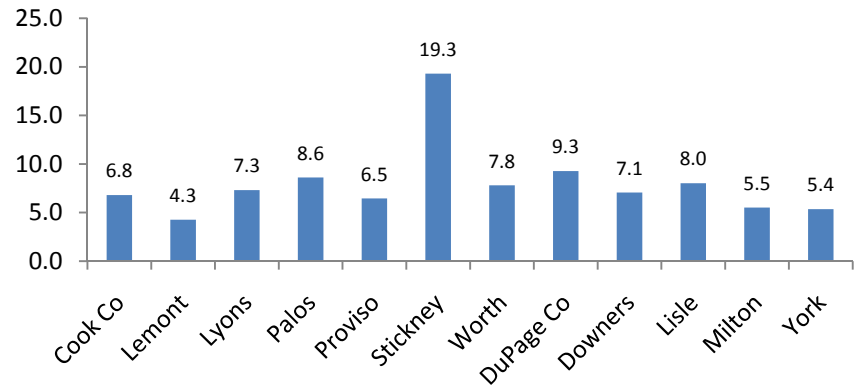


Highlights

- The highest rates of college education are in Lisle and Milton townships.
- Stickney Township has the lowest percentage of college graduates.

Immigrants

Point Change in Foreign-born Population
1990-2006



Percent of Foreign-born Population

	Percent of Foreign-born Population			Point Change 1990-2006
	1990	2000	2006	
Cook Co	14.1%	19.8%	20.9%	6.8
Lemont	5.9	9.2	10.2	4.3
Lyons	8.5	14.1	15.8	7.3
Palos	8.8	14.1	17.4	8.6
Proviso	10.5	14.2	17.0	6.5
Stickney	9.6	21.4	28.9	19.3
Worth	6.6	9.9	14.4	7.8
DuPage Co	9.1	15.3	18.4	9.3
Downers	8.7	13.2	15.8	7.1
Lisle	7.1	12.7	15.1	8.0
Milton	6.9	11.2	12.4	5.5
York	7.8	12.1	13.2	5.4

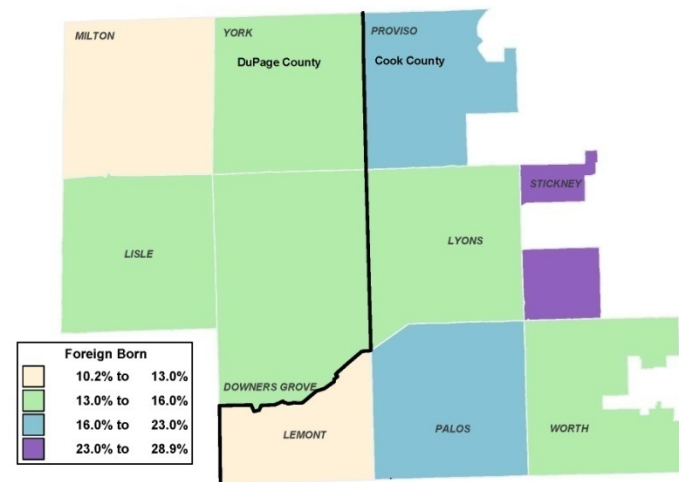
Source: U.S. Census Bureau

2006 data are an average of 2005/07

Highlights

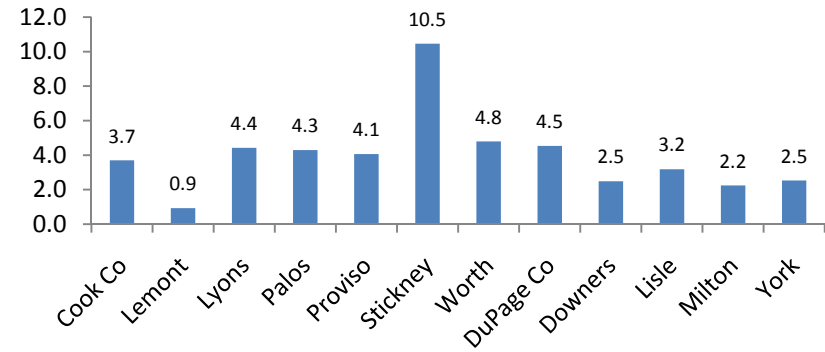
- Stickney Township has the highest proportion of immigrants and has the fastest-growing immigrant population.

Percent Foreign Born Residents - 2007



Non-Citizens

Point Change in Foreign Born Persons who are Not Citizens
1990-2006



Percent of Foreign Born who are Not Citizens

	1990	2000	2006	Point Change 1990-2006
Cook Co	8.0%	12.0%	11.7%	3.7
Lemont	1.8	3.2	2.7	0.9
Lyons	3.9	7.9	8.3	4.4
Palos	2.5	5.1	6.8	4.3
Proviso	5.6	8.6	9.6	4.1
Stickney	4.0	11.5	14.4	10.5
Worth	2.1	4.5	6.9	4.8
DuPage Co	4.4	8.5	8.9	4.5
Downers	3.5	5.9	6.0	2.5
Lisle	3.4	7.3	6.6	3.2
Milton	3.6	6.4	5.8	2.2
York	3.1	5.9	5.6	2.5

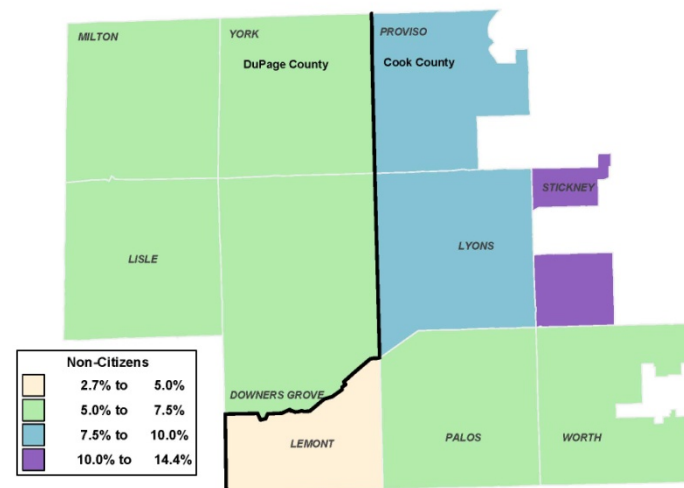
Source: U.S. Census Bureau

2006 data are an average of 2005/07

Highlights

- Stickney Township has the highest proportion of non-citizens among its immigrant population, and has the fastest-growing rate of non-citizenship among its foreign-born residents.

Percent Non-Citizen Residents - 2007



Country of Birth

Leading countries of birth of foreign-born persons

	Foreign-born population	Mexico	Poland	India	Philippines	China, Hong Kong, and Taiwan	Yugoslavia and Bosnia and Herzegovina	Czechoslovakia inc. Czech Republic/ Slovakia	Germany	Italy	Greece	All other countries
Cook Co	100.0%	40.4%	11.4%	4.5%	4.1%	3.0%	1.8%	0.5%	1.6%	1.7%	1.4%	29.6%
Lemont	100	8.7	42.5	2.2	1.2	1.5	0.3	1.8	3.2	5.4	3.5	29.8
Lyons	100	30.1	19.9	1.3	2.3	1.5	7.1	2.5	2.5	2.0	1.6	29.2
Palos	100	7.6	19.8	6.3	6.0	0.2	0.7	0.2	3.7	3.5	12.2	39.9
Proviso	100	57.2	1.8	3.9	4.6	1.2	1.2	0.9	2.5	3.6	1.1	21.9
Stickney	100	18.6	45.6	0.4	1.8	0.3	0.7	2.6	1.6	1.9	2.1	24.5
Worth	100	26.9	13.5	1.8	2.9	1.1	0.2	0.4	3.5	2.6	4.0	43.3
DuPage Co	100	25.6	6.6	15.7	7.5	5.4	1.5	0.9	2.1	3.2	1.3	30.2
Downers	100	8.9	8.2	19.5	10.7	9.0	1.7	2.5	2.1	1.9	1.7	33.8
Lisle	100	14.2	3.2	19.2	7.6	13.7	0.7	0.6	2.3	1.4	0.6	36.6
Milton	100	17.8	3.9	14.4	7.3	2.7	2.2	0.5	2.8	1.3	1.0	46.1
York	100	22.8	4.1	15.9	6.4	4.0	1.3	1.6	3.8	3.7	2.1	34.4

Source: U.S. Census Bureau 2000

Highlights

- In Stickney Township, nearly 46 percent of foreign-born persons are from Poland.
- Downers Grove and Lisle Township are each home to over 19 percent of foreign-born persons from India.
- Proviso Township has over 57 percent of foreign-born persons from Mexico.

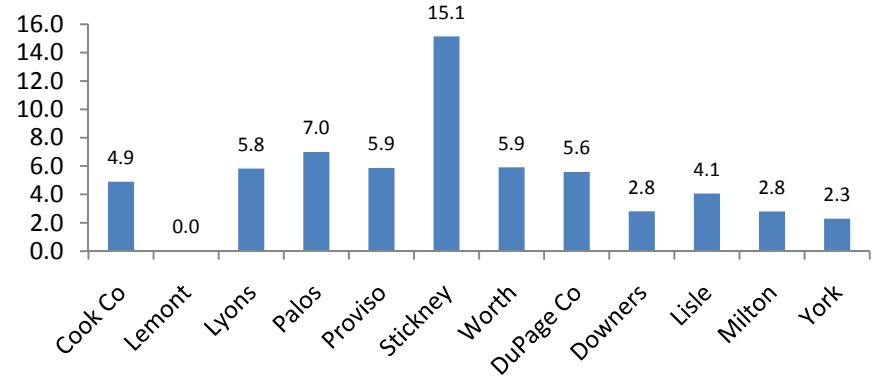
Persons of Limited English

Persons who Speak English Less than "Very Well"

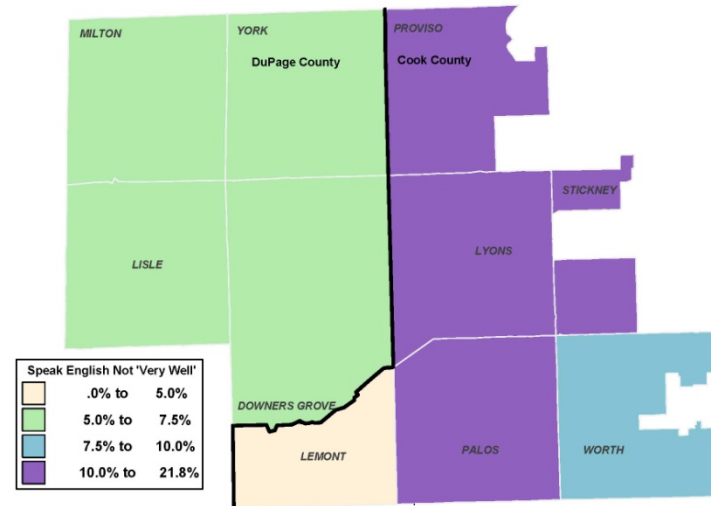
	1990	2000	2006	Point Change 1990-2006
Cook Co	10.9%	15.3%	15.8%	4.9
Lemont	3.4	5.6	N/A	N/A
Lyons	5.3	10.1	11.1	5.8
Palos	4.1	7.4	11.1	7.0
Proviso	7.3	11.0	13.2	5.9
Stickney	6.7	15.9	21.8	15.1
Worth	3.6	6.4	9.5	5.9
DuPage Co	4.6	8.5	10.2	5.6
Downers	3.9	5.8	6.7	2.8
Lisle	2.9	5.3	7.0	4.1
Milton	3.2	5.5	6.0	2.8
York	3.5	6.0	5.8	2.3

Source: U.S. Census Bureau
2006 data are an average of 2005/07

Point change in persons who speak English less than "very well" 1990-2006



Percent Non-English Speaking Residents - 2007



Highlights

- Stickney Township has the highest proportion of limited-English speakers, and is home to the fastest-growing limited English population.

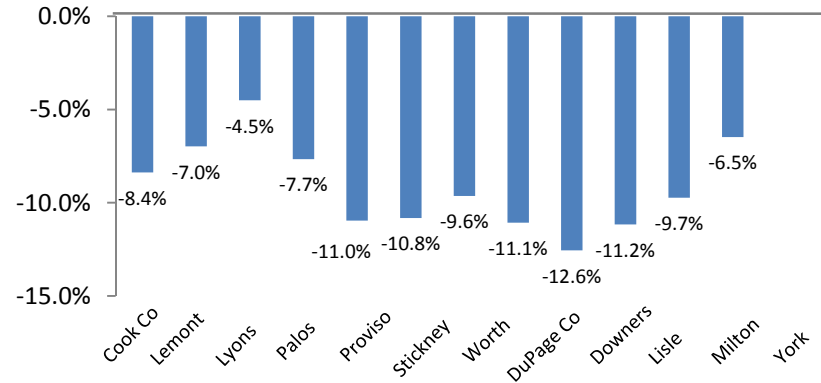
Income

Median household income in 2007 dollars

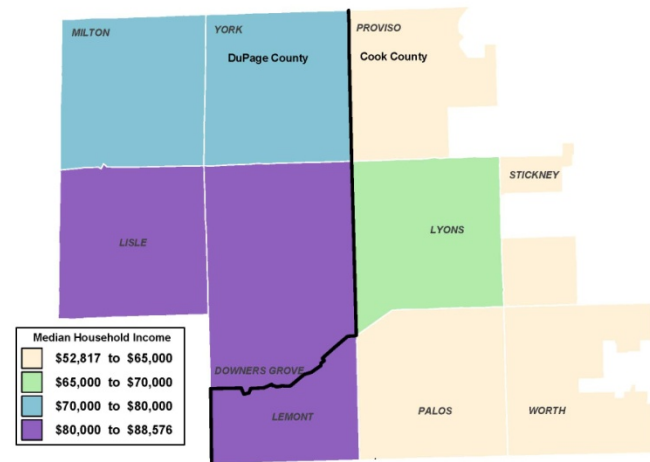
	1990	2000	2006	Percent Change 1990-2000	Percent Change 2000-2006
Cook Co	\$52,751	\$57,144	\$52,358	8.3%	-8.4%
Lemont	76,346	95,215	88,576	24.7%	-7.0%
Lyons	65,944	69,919	66,768	6.0%	-4.5%
Palos	72,184	68,914	63,631	-4.5%	-7.7%
Proviso	58,699	60,922	54,248	3.8%	-11.0%
Stickney	58,086	58,966	52,587	1.5%	-10.8%
Worth	59,692	58,449	52,817	-2.1%	-9.6%
DuPage Co	78,912	84,477	75,128	7.1%	-11.1%
Downers	80,047	86,292	75,461	7.8%	-12.6%
Lisle	85,723	90,133	80,069	5.1%	-11.2%
Milton	82,523	88,434	79,825	7.2%	-9.7%
York	75,210	78,501	73,413	4.4%	-6.5%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau 2000

Percent Change in Median Household Income 2000-2006



Median Household Income - 2007



Highlights

- Lemont Township has the highest income level in the region.
- Median household income decreased in all Townships between 2000 and 2006.
- Downers Grove experienced the largest percent decrease in household income between 2000 and 2006.

Poverty

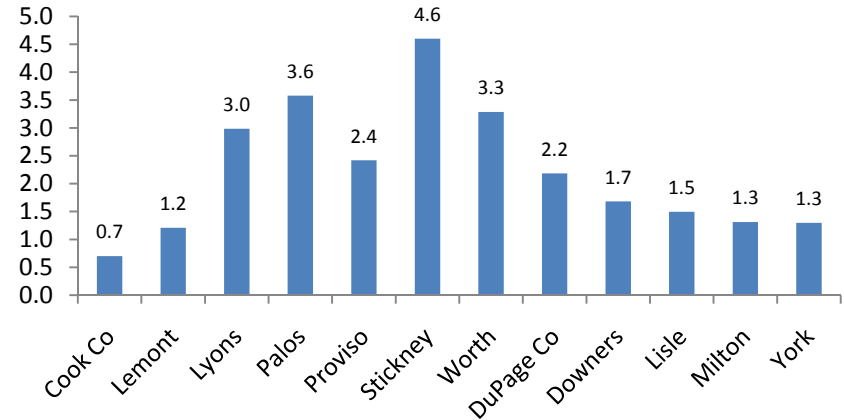
Persons Who are Below Poverty

	Persons Who are Below Poverty			Point Change
	1990	2000	2006	1990-2006
Cook Co	14.2%	13.5%	14.9%	0.7
Lemont	3.5	2.9	4.7	1.2
Lyons	5.0	6.2	8.0	3.0
Palos	2.9	4.3	6.5	3.6
Proviso	6.8	7.5	9.2	2.4
Stickney	5.2	5.6	9.8	4.6
Worth	4.9	6.9	8.2	3.3
DuPage Co	2.7	3.6	4.9	2.2
Downers	2.4	2.9	4.1	1.7
Lisle	2.2	3.0	3.7	1.5
Milton	4.0	3.7	5.3	1.3
York	2.6	3.5	3.9	1.3

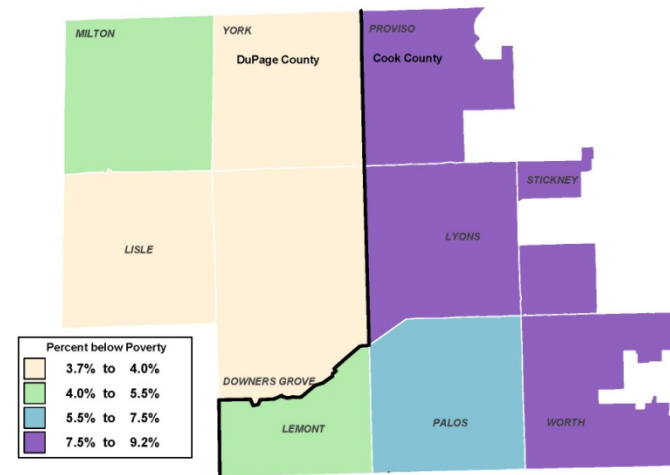
Source: U.S. Census Bureau

2006 data are an average of 2005/07

Point Change in Poverty 1990-2006



Percent of Persons in Poverty - 2007



Highlights

- Stickney township has the highest and fastest-growing poverty rate in the region.

Mortgage Burden

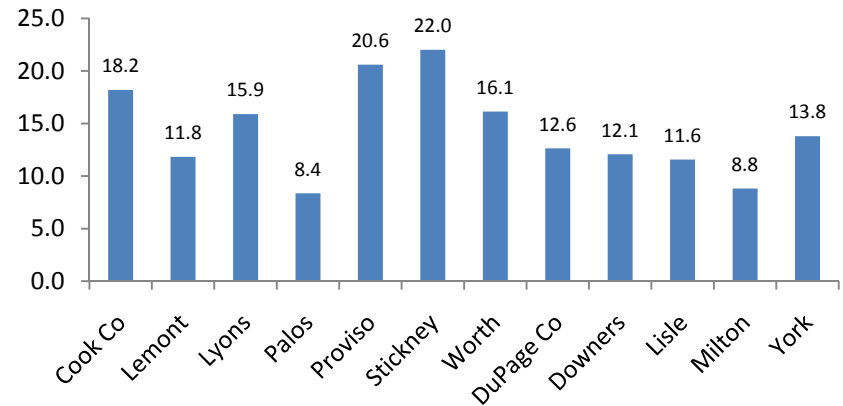
Mortgage Burdened*				Point Change 1990-2006
1990	2000	2006		
Cook Co	12.6%	18.4%	30.8%	18.2
Lemont	10.1	13.8	21.9	11.8
Lyons	11.3	15.6	27.2	15.9
Palos	13.4	16.6	21.7	8.4
Proviso	11.9	18.8	32.5	20.6
Stickney	8.8	18.0	30.8	22.0
Worth	9.1	15.8	25.2	16.1
DuPage Co	12.7	15.5	25.4	12.6
Downers	12.2	16.2	24.3	12.1
Lisle	12.1	13.1	23.6	11.6
Milton	12.6	13.9	21.4	8.8
York	11.0	15.0	24.8	13.8

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

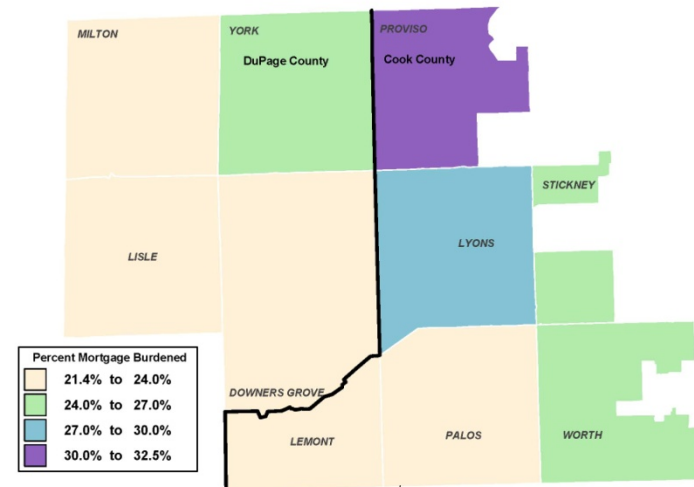
2006 data are an average of 2005/07

*Homeowners for whom mortgage payments are 35 percent or more of their household income

Point Change in Mortgage Burdened Persons 1990-2006



Percent of Households with a Mortgage Burden- 2007

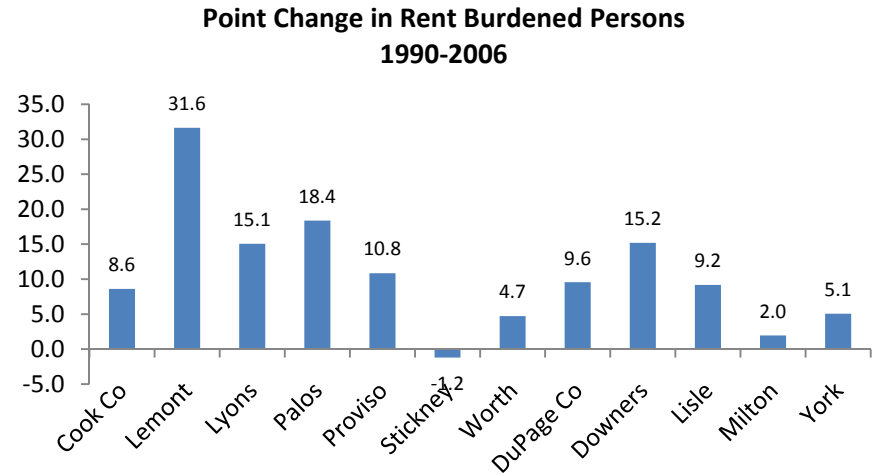


Highlights

- Homeowners in Proviso Township have the highest rate of “mortgage burden.”
- Nearly all townships have had double-digit growth in mortgage burden since 2000.

Rent Burden

Rent Burdened*				
	1990	2000	2006	Point Change 1990-2006
Cook Co	32.5%	30.0%	41.1%	8.6
Lemont	19.8	41.1	51.4	31.6
Lyons	23.9	25.9	39.0	15.1
Palos	21.9	26.6	40.3	18.4
Proviso	28.2	29.2	39.0	10.8
Stickney	34.2	35.1	33.0	-1.2
Worth	32.1	28.3	36.8	4.7
DuPage Co	24.3	24.5	33.9	9.6
Downers	23.3	23.2	38.5	15.2
Lisle	21.2	24.1	30.4	9.2
Milton	27.8	24.7	29.8	2.0
York	28.7	28.3	33.8	5.1

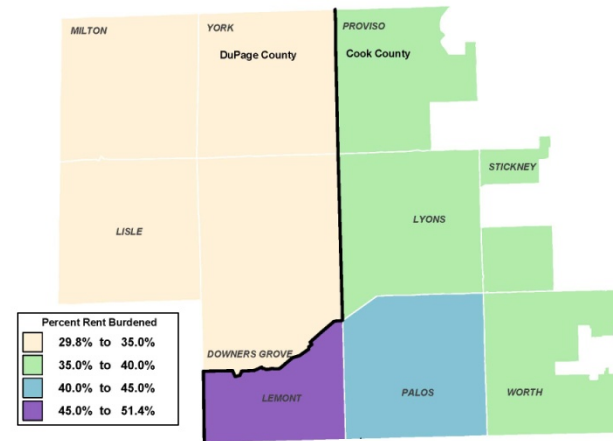


Source: U.S. Census Bureau

2006 data are an average of 2005/07

*Renters for whom rent payments are 35 percent or more of their household income

Percent of Households with a Rent Burden - 2007



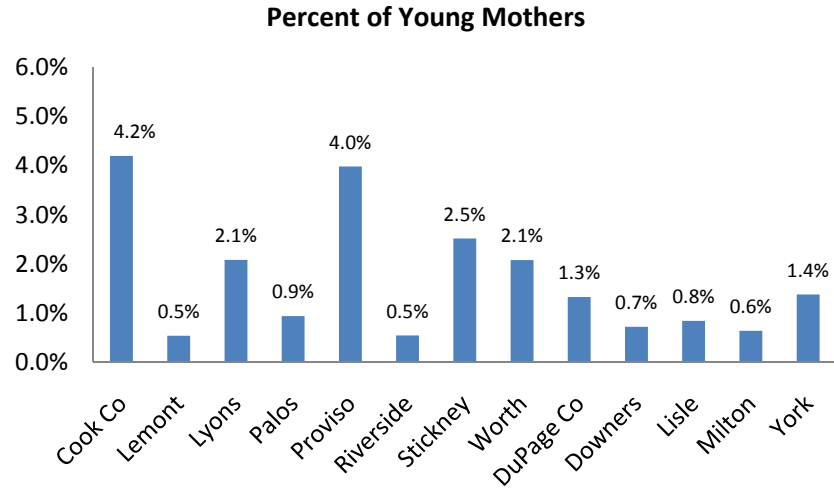
Highlights

- Lemont Township has the highest rate and fastest growth of “rent burden” in the region.

Key Public Health Indicators

Young Mothers

Number of Young Mothers*		
	Number	Percent
Cook Co	10,023	4.2%
Lemont	3	0.5
Lyons	95	2.1
Palos	16	0.9
Proviso	293	4.0
Riverside	3	0.5
Stickney	37	2.5
Worth	125	2.1
DuPage Co	502	1.3
Downers	35	0.7
Lisle	30	0.8
Milton	27	0.6
York	48	1.4



Source: Illinois Department of Public Health

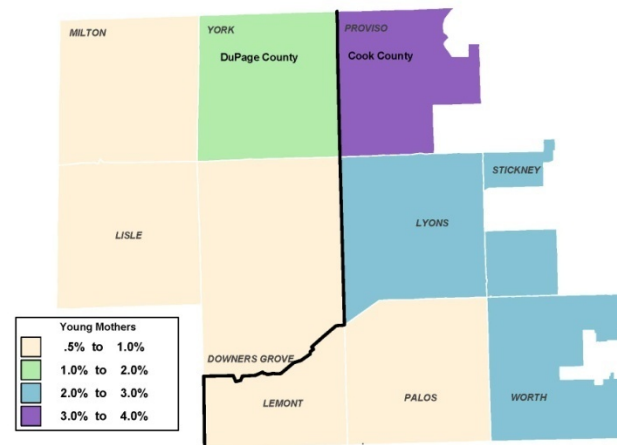
On all health data: Note: data are an average of 2003-2005

*Gave birth at under 18 years of age

Highlights

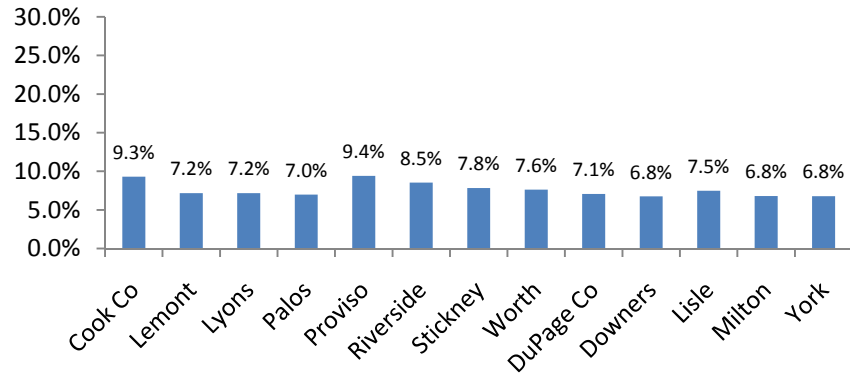
- Proviso Township has the highest percentage of young mothers.
- Lemont, Riverside, and Palos had the lowest percentage of young mothers.

Percent of Births to Mothers Under 18 - 2004



Low Birth Weight

Percent Low Birth Weight

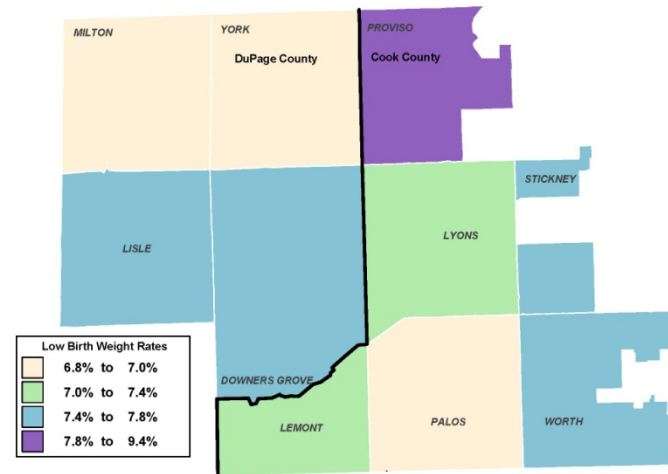


Low Birth Weights*		
	Number	Percent
Cook Co	22,408	9.3%
Lemont	40	7.2
Lyons	327	7.2
Palos	119	7.0
Proviso	692	9.4
Riverside	47	8.5
Stickney	115	7.8
Worth	458	7.6
DuPage Co	2,679	7.1
Downers	328	6.8
Lisle	267	7.5
Milton	287	6.8
York	236	6.8

Source: Illinois Department of Public Health

*birth weight of less than 2,500 grams

Percent of Births with Low Birth Weights - 2004



Highlights

- Proviso Township has the highest percent of low birth weights in Cook County.
- Lisle Township has the highest percentage of low birth weights in DuPage County.

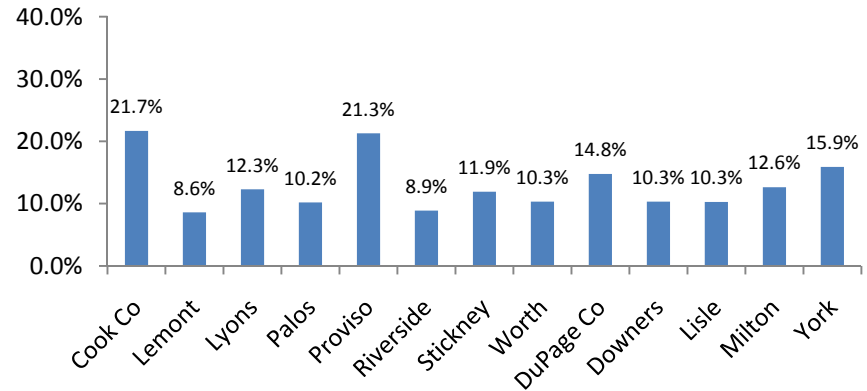
Prenatal Care

Percent of Mothers who Did Not Receive Care in the First Trimester

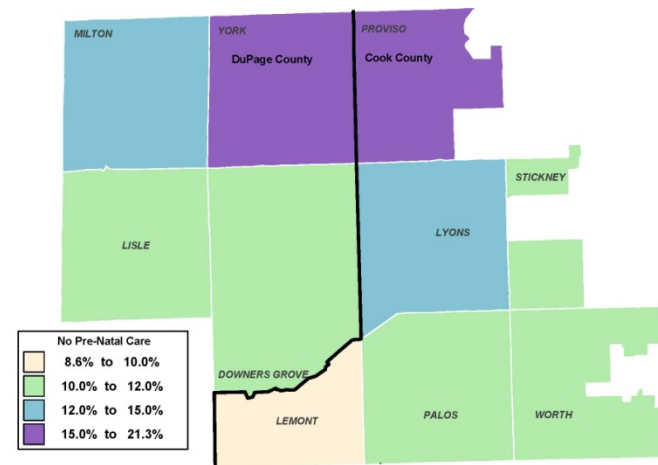
	Number	Percent
Cook Co	52,141	21.7%
Lemont	48	8.6%
Lyons	561	12.3%
Palos	174	10.2%
Proviso	1,566	21.3%
Riverside	49	8.9%
Stickney	175	11.9%
Worth	620	10.3%
DuPage Co	5,591	14.8%
Downers	501	10.3%
Lisle	367	10.3%
Milton	534	12.6%
York	553	15.9%

Source: Illinois Department of Public Health

Percent of Mothers who Did Not Receive Care in the First Trimester



Percent of Mothers with No Early Pre-Natal Care - 2004



Highlights

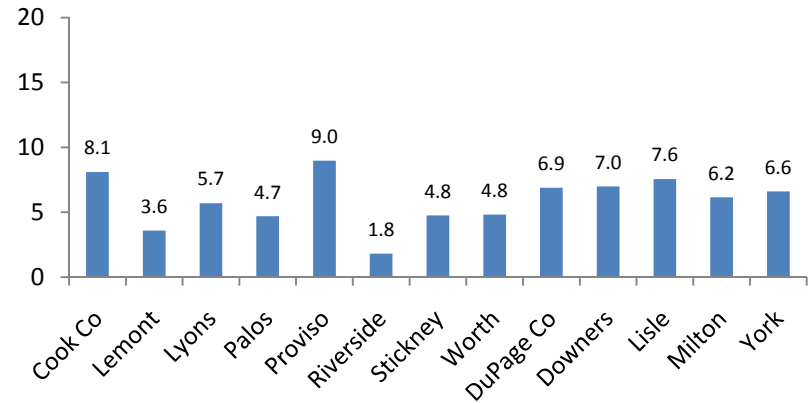
- Proviso Township has the highest percent of mothers who did not receive care in the first trimester.

Infant Mortality

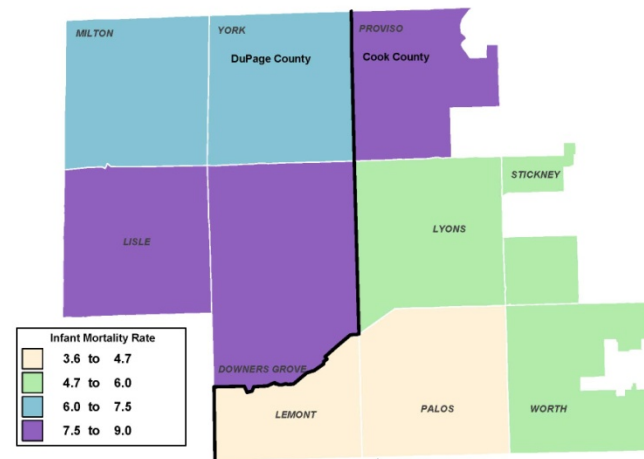
Infant Mortality per 1,000 Births		
	Number	Rate
Cook Co	1,955	8.1
Lemont	2	3.6
Lyons	26	5.7
Palos	8	4.7
Proviso	66	9.0
Riverside	1	1.8
Stickney	7	4.8
Worth	29	4.8
DuPage Co	261	6.9
Downers	34	7.0
Lisle	27	7.6
Milton	26	6.2
York	23	6.6

Source: Illinois Department of Public Health

Infant Mortality Rate per 1,000 Births



Infant Mortality Rate - 2004



Highlights

- Proviso Township had the highest rate of infant mortality in 2004 – 9 per 1,000 births.

Methodology

- Townships located in or around the CMF Service Area were included in this study.
- The 2005-2007 American Community Survey (ACS) was used to provide population and demographic attributes for all geographical areas with a population of 20,000 or greater.
- The three year estimate was used, as opposed to a single year, in order to increase the sample size and decrease errors in estimation.
- The ACS samples about 3 million housing units in the United States.
- Census data were used for 1990 and 2000.
- The health data was gathered from the Illinois Department of Public Health between 2003-2005.
- Data for Riverside Township not available for 2005-2007 ACS because the population is below 20,000.