

Adams County

Located in western Illinois; bounded on the west by the Mississippi River and the Missouri border. Covers a land area of 856.63 square miles, a water area of 14.64 square miles, and is located in the Central Time Zone. The county government was organized in 1825. County seat is Quincy.

Adams County is part of the Quincy, IL-MO Micropolitan Statistical Area. The entire metro area includes: Adams County, IL; Lewis County, MO

Weather Station: Golden												Elevation: 725 feet													
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec		Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
High	32	38	51	63	74	83	87	85	78	67	50	38	High	32	38	50	63	73	82	87	84	77	65	50	37
Low	15	20	31	41	52	62	65	63	55	44	32	21	Low	16	22	32	43	53	62	67	64	56	45	33	23
Precip	1.2	1.5	2.7	3.6	5.0	3.7	4.3	3.7	3.9	3.1	3.0	2.1	Precip	1.4	1.7	3.1	3.9	5.0	3.6	3.9	3.6	4.1	3.3	3.2	2.4
Snow	6.0	4.9	2.0	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	tr	1.6	3.9	Snow	7.6	6.0	2.9	0.9	tr	tr	tr	tr	tr	tr	2.2	4.8

High and Low temperatures in degrees Fahrenheit; Precipitation and Snow in inches

Weather Station: Quincy Muni Baldwin Field												Elevation: 761 feet													
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec		Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
High	32	38	50	63	73	82	87	84	77	65	50	37	High	32	38	50	63	73	82	87	84	77	65	50	37
Low	16	22	32	43	53	62	67	64	56	45	33	23	Low	16	22	32	43	53	62	67	64	56	45	33	23
Precip	1.4	1.7	3.1	3.9	5.0	3.6	3.9	3.6	4.1	3.3	3.2	2.4	Precip	1.4	1.7	3.1	3.9	5.0	3.6	3.9	3.6	4.1	3.3	3.2	2.4
Snow	7.6	6.0	2.9	0.9	tr	tr	tr	tr	tr	tr	tr	2.2	Snow	7.6	6.0	2.9	0.9	tr	tr	tr	tr	tr	tr	2.2	4.8

High and Low temperatures in degrees Fahrenheit; Precipitation and Snow in inches

Population: 66,090 (1990); 68,277 (2000); 67,190 (2004); 65,775 (2009 projected); Race: 94.7% White, 3.2% Black, 0.5% Asian, 1.1% Hispanic of any race (2004); Density: 78.4 persons per square mile (2004); Average household size: 2.54 (2004); Median age: 38.9 (2004); Males per 100 females: 92.9 (2004).

Religion: Five largest groups: 23.3% Catholic Church, 5.4% The United Methodist Church, 4.9% Christian Churches and Churches of Christ, 4.7% United Church of Christ, 4.3% Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (2000).

Economy: Unemployment rate: 3.8% (2004); Total civilian labor force: 36,952 (2004); Leading industries: 18.4% Manufacturing; 16.6% Health care and social assistance; 16.2% Retail trade (2003); Companies that employ 500 or more persons: 6 (2003); Companies that employ 100 to 499 persons: 36 (2003); Companies that employ less than 100 persons: 1,896 (2003); Farms: 1,347 totaling 444,087 acres (2002); Minority business ownership rate: 2.9% (1997); Women business ownership rate: 29.0% (1997); Retail sales per capita: \$9,913 (1997). Single-family building permits issued: 116 (2004); Multi-family building permits issued: 10 (2004).

Income: Per capita income: \$19,916 (2004); Median household income: \$38,198 (2004); Average household income: \$49,149 (2004); Percent of households with income of \$100,000 or more: 7.8% (2004); Poverty rate: 11.2% (2003); Bankruptcy rate: 6.87% (2004).

Taxes: Total county taxes per capita: \$61 (2002); County property taxes per capita: \$60 (2002).

Education: Percent of population age 25 and over with: High school diploma (including GED) or higher: 83.8% (2004); Bachelor's degree or higher: 17.8% (2004); Master's degree or higher: 6.0% (2004).

Housing: Homeownership rate: 74.0% (2004); Median home value: \$93,280 (2004); Median rent: \$314 per month (2000); Median age of housing: 44 years (2000).

Health: Birth rate: 113.1 per 10,000 population (2004); Death rate: 135.8 per 10,000 population (2004); Age-adjusted cancer mortality rate: 228.7 deaths per 100,000 population (2002); Air Quality Index: 97.0% good, 3.0% moderate, 0.0% unhealthy for sensitive individuals, 0.0% unhealthy (percent of days in 2004); Number of physicians: 23.6 per 10,000 population (2001); Hospital beds: 49.1 per 10,000 population (2002); Hospital admissions: 2,016.7 per 10,000 population (2002).

Elections: 2004 Presidential election results: 66.2% Bush, 33.4% Kerry, 0.0% Nader, 0.4% Badnarik

National and State Parks: Sid Simpson State Park; Siloam Springs State Park

Additional Information Contacts

- Adams County Government Offices 217-277-2150
- Quincy Association of Realtors 217-228-0652
- Quincy Chamber of Commerce 217-222-7980

Adams County Communities

CAMP POINT (village). Covers a land area of 0.948 square miles and a water area of 0 square miles. Located at 40.04° N. Lat.; 91.06° W. Long. Elevation is 743 feet.

History: Camp Point was settled about 1870 by people of German ancestry.

Population: 1,230 (1990); 1,244 (2000); 1,200 (2004); 1,149 (2009 projected); Race: 99.0% White, 0.0% Black, 0.1% Asian, 0.7% Hispanic of any race (2004); Density: 1,265.7 persons per square mile (2004); Average household size: 2.71 (2004); Median age: 39.5 (2004); Males per 100 females: 88.7 (2004); Marriage status: 24.2% never married, 48.8% now married, 12.7% widowed, 14.3% divorced (2000); Foreign born: 0.0% (2000); Ancestry (includes multiple ancestries): 42.7% German, 13.1% Irish, 10.3% English, 7.5% United States or American, 4.0% Other groups (2000).

Economy: Single-family building permits issued: 3 (2004); Multi-family building permits issued: 0 (2004); Employment by occupation: 6.2% management, 15.3% professional, 13.4% services, 25.3% sales, 0.7% farming, 9.6% construction, 29.6% production (2000).

Income: Per capita income: \$18,887 (2004); Median household income: \$35,117 (2004); Average household income: \$48,076 (2004); Percent of households with income of \$100,000 or more: 7.4% (2004); Poverty rate: 11.7% (2000).

Taxes: Total city taxes per capita: \$117 (2002); City property taxes per capita: \$84 (2002).

Education: Percent of population age 25 and over with: High school diploma (including GED) or higher: 84.3% (2004); Bachelor's degree or higher: 9.9% (2004); Master's degree or higher: 3.2% (2004).

School District(s)

Central CUSD #3 (PK-12)

2003-04 Enrollment: 1,030 (217) 593-7116

Housing: Homeownership rate: 71.6% (2004); Median home value: \$75,625 (2004); Median rent: \$261 per month (2000); Median age of housing: 46 years (2000).

Newspapers: Camp Point Journal (General - Circulation 800); Golden New Era (General - Circulation 600); Mendon Dispatch-Times (General - Circulation 875)

Transportation: Commute to work: 93.5% car, 0.4% public transportation, 3.9% walk, 1.4% work from home (2000); Travel time to work: 39.9% less than 15 minutes, 20.8% 15 to 30 minutes, 29.9% 30 to 45 minutes, 4.7% 45 to 60 minutes, 4.8% 60 minutes or more (2000)

CLAYTON (village). Covers a land area of 0.874 square miles and a water area of 0.002 square miles. Located at 40.02° N. Lat.; 90.95° W. Long. Elevation is 736 feet.

Population: 726 (1990); 904 (2000); 867 (2004); 833 (2009 projected); Race: 80.7% White, 16.8% Black, 0.0% Asian, 2.9% Hispanic of any race (2004); Density: 991.7 persons per square mile (2004); Average household size: 2.90 (2004); Median age: 36.2 (2004); Males per 100 females: 133.7 (2004); Marriage status: 17.3% never married, 64.3% now married, 7.7% widowed, 10.7% divorced (2000); Foreign born: 0.0% (2000); Ancestry (includes multiple ancestries): 23.2% German, 16.2% United States or American, 10.5% Irish, 8.6% English, 4.8% French (except Basque) (2000).

Economy: Corn, wheat, soybeans, livestock. Single-family building permits issued: 1 (2004); Multi-family building permits issued: 0 (2004); Employment by occupation: 8.3% management, 8.0% professional, 19.3% services, 22.7% sales, 0.6% farming, 11.2% construction, 29.9% production (2000).

Income: Per capita income: \$15,937 (2004); Median household income: \$28,605 (2004); Average household income: \$40,201 (2004); Percent of households with income of \$100,000 or more: 6.4% (2004); Poverty rate: 14.7% (2000).

Taxes: Total city taxes per capita: \$39 (2002); City property taxes per capita: \$18 (2002).

Education: Percent of population age 25 and over with: High school diploma (including GED) or higher: 59.8% (2004); Bachelor's degree or higher: 5.0% (2004); Master's degree or higher: 2.6% (2004).

Housing: Homeownership rate: 78.6% (2004); Median home value: \$47,460 (2004); Median rent: \$200 per month (2000); Median age of housing: 56 years (2000).

Transportation: Commute to work: 85.5% car, 1.5% public transportation, 7.4% walk, 3.1% work from home (2000); Travel time to work: 36.0% less than 15 minutes, 23.9% 15 to 30 minutes, 27.7% 30 to 45 minutes, 5.1% 45 to 60 minutes, 7.3% 60 minutes or more (2000)

COATSBURG (village). Covers a land area of 0.122 square miles and a water area of 0 square miles. Located at 40.03° N. Lat.; 91.16° W. Long. Elevation is 761 feet.

History: Coatsburg was surveyed by R.P. Coates in 1855, and developed as a shipping center for grain and livestock. Coatsburg was incorporated as a village in 1885.

Population: 201 (1990); 226 (2000); 232 (2004); 231 (2009 projected); Race: 97.4% White, 0.0% Black, 0.0% Asian, 6.5% Hispanic of any race (2004); Density: 1,905.0 persons per square mile (2004); Average household size: 2.52 (2004); Median age: 33.9 (2004); Males per 100 females: 71.9 (2004); Marriage status: 16.1% never married, 58.9% now married, 10.7% widowed, 14.3% divorced (2000); Foreign born: 0.0% (2000); Ancestry (includes multiple ancestries): 39.4% United States or American, 20.8% German, 6.9% English, 5.1% Other groups, 5.1% Irish (2000).

Economy: Employment by occupation: 9.9% management, 19.8% professional, 24.3% services, 10.8% sales, 2.7% farming, 9.9% construction, 22.5% production (2000).

Income: Per capita income: \$15,194 (2004); Median household income: \$33,889 (2004); Average household income: \$38,315 (2004); Percent of households with income of \$100,000 or more: 3.3% (2004); Poverty rate: 9.0% (2000).

Taxes: Total city taxes per capita: \$9 (2002); City property taxes per capita: \$9 (2002).

Education: Percent of population age 25 and over with: High school diploma (including GED) or higher: 74.5% (2004); Bachelor's degree or higher: 2.8% (2004); Master's degree or higher: 0.0% (2004).

Housing: Homeownership rate: 85.9% (2004); Median home value: \$51,905 (2004); Median rent: \$325 per month (2000); Median age of housing: 44 years (2000).

Transportation: Commute to work: 95.3% car, 0.0% public transportation, 0.0% walk, 4.7% work from home (2000); Travel time to work: 14.9% less than 15 minutes, 46.5% 15 to 30 minutes, 30.7% 30 to 45 minutes, 4.0% 45 to 60 minutes, 4.0% 60 minutes or more (2000)

COLUMBUS (village). Covers a land area of 0.252 square miles and a water area of 0 square miles. Located at 39.98° N. Lat.; 91.14° W. Long. Elevation is 730 feet.

History: Vigorously competed with Quincy for seat of Adams county in 19th century.

Population: 88 (1990); 112 (2000); 114 (2004); 114 (2009 projected); Race: 93.0% White, 7.0% Black, 0.0% Asian, 0.0% Hispanic of any race (2004); Density: 452.4 persons per square mile (2004); Average household size: 2.65 (2004); Median age: 37.8 (2004); Males per 100 females: 103.6 (2004); Marriage status: 16.3% never married, 75.5% now married, 3.1% widowed, 5.1% divorced (2000); Foreign born: 0.0% (2000); Ancestry (includes multiple ancestries): 38.3% German, 15.0% Other groups, 14.2% Irish, 12.5% English, 10.0% Dutch (2000).

Economy: Agriculture: corn, wheat; livestock; dairying. Employment by occupation: 11.8% management, 5.3% professional, 27.6% services, 28.9% sales, 0.0% farming, 9.2% construction, 17.1% production (2000).

Income: Per capita income: \$22,346 (2004); Median household income: \$47,115 (2004); Average household income: \$59,244 (2004); Percent of households with income of \$100,000 or more: 18.6% (2004); Poverty rate: 5.8% (2000).

Taxes: Total city taxes per capita: \$18 (2002); City property taxes per capita: \$9 (2002).

Education: Percent of population age 25 and over with: High school diploma (including GED) or higher: 69.7% (2004); Bachelor's degree or higher: 6.6% (2004); Master's degree or higher: 1.3% (2004).

Housing: Homeownership rate: 88.4% (2004); Median home value: \$70,000 (2004); Median rent: \$325 per month (2000); Median age of housing: 34 years (2000).

Transportation: Commute to work: 93.4% car, 0.0% public transportation, 0.0% walk, 6.6% work from home (2000); Travel time to work: 9.9% less than 15 minutes, 45.1% 15 to 30 minutes, 33.8% 30 to 45 minutes, 8.5% 45 to 60 minutes, 2.8% 60 minutes or more (2000)

FOWLER (unincorporated postal area, zip code 62338). Covers a land area of 26.247 square miles and a water area of 0.076 square miles. Located at 39.98° N. Lat.; 91.25° W. Long. Elevation is 730 feet.

Population: 1,364 (2000); Race: 98.8% White, 0.0% Black, 0.0% Asian, 0.4% Hispanic of any race (2000); Density: 52.0 persons per square mile (2000); Age: 25.7% under 18, 11.3% over 64 (2000); Marriage status: 19.2% never married, 64.8% now married, 5.9% widowed, 10.1% divorced (2000); Foreign born: 0.1% (2000); Ancestry (includes multiple ancestries): 48.4% German, 17.9% Irish, 5.8% United States or American, 5.5% Other groups, 4.8% English (2000).

Economy: Employment by occupation: 10.9% management, 23.0% professional, 14.1% services, 25.8% sales, 0.7% farming, 9.3% construction, 16.2% production (2000).

Income: Per capita income: \$18,181 (2000); Median household income: \$45,192 (2000); Poverty rate: 3.3% (2000).

Education: Percent of population age 25 and over with: High school diploma (including GED) or higher: 86.9% (2000); Bachelor's degree or higher: 14.6% (2000).

Housing: Homeownership rate: 94.1% (2000); Median home value: \$77,500 (2000); Median rent: \$292 per month (2000); Median age of housing: 26 years (2000).

Transportation: Commute to work: 94.3% car, 0.7% public transportation, 0.0% walk, 5.0% work from home (2000); Travel time to work: 24.4% less than 15 minutes, 62.9% 15 to 30 minutes, 11.4% 30 to 45 minutes, 0.9% 45 to 60 minutes, 0.4% 60 minutes or more (2000)

GOLDEN (village). Covers a land area of 0.628 square miles and a water area of 0 square miles. Located at 40.11° N. Lat.; 91.01° W. Long. Elevation is 715 feet.

Population: 578 (1990); 629 (2000); 632 (2004); 626 (2009 projected); Race: 100.0% White, 0.0% Black, 0.0% Asian, 0.2% Hispanic of any race (2004); Density: 1,005.7 persons per square mile (2004); Average household size: 2.48 (2004); Median age: 42.3 (2004); Males per 100 females: 83.2 (2004); Marriage status: 15.5% never married, 64.9% now married, 12.5% widowed, 7.1% divorced (2000); Foreign born: 0.0% (2000); Ancestry (includes multiple ancestries): 53.8% German, 8.6% Irish, 7.1% United States or American, 6.1% English, 3.7% Scotch-Irish (2000).

Economy: In agricultural area: corn, wheat, soybeans; livestock; makes seed sowers. Employment by occupation: 13.3% management, 12.3% professional, 17.2% services, 16.3% sales, 1.2% farming, 12.3% construction, 27.4% production (2000).

Income: Per capita income: \$19,519 (2004); Median household income: \$39,500 (2004); Average household income: \$45,676 (2004); Percent of households with income of \$100,000 or more: 6.3% (2004); Poverty rate: 3.5% (2000).

Taxes: Total city taxes per capita: \$24 (2002); City property taxes per capita: \$24 (2002).

Education: Percent of population age 25 and over with: High school diploma (including GED) or higher: 79.5% (2004); Bachelor's degree or higher: 8.9% (2004); Master's degree or higher: 1.3% (2004).

School District(s)

Central CUSD #3 (PK-12)

2003-04 Enrollment: 1,030 (217) 593-7116

Housing: Homeownership rate: 81.6% (2004); Median home value: \$65,294 (2004); Median rent: \$286 per month (2000); Median age of housing: 54 years (2000).

Transportation: Commute to work: 87.0% car, 0.0% public transportation, 4.9% walk, 4.9% work from home (2000); Travel time to work: 53.6% less than 15 minutes, 11.0% 15 to 30 minutes, 24.4% 30 to 45 minutes, 9.4% 45 to 60 minutes, 1.6% 60 minutes or more (2000)

LA PRAIRIE (village). Covers a land area of 0.224 square miles and a water area of 0 square miles. Located at 40.14° N. Lat.; 91.00° W. Long. Elevation is 711 feet.

Population: 68 (1990); 60 (2000); 64 (2004); 66 (2009 projected); Race: 100.0% White, 0.0% Black, 0.0% Asian, 0.0% Hispanic of any race (2004); Density: 286.3 persons per square mile (2004); Average household size: 2.56 (2004); Median age: 40.6 (2004); Males per 100 females: 93.9 (2004); Marriage status: 15.6% never married, 66.7% now married, 8.9% widowed, 8.9% divorced (2000); Foreign born: 3.6% (2000); Ancestry (includes multiple ancestries): 45.5% United States or American, 30.9% English, 25.5% Other groups, 16.4% German, 3.6% Welsh (2000).

Economy: In agricultural area. Employment by occupation: 9.5% management, 9.5% professional, 52.4% services, 0.0% sales, 0.0% farming, 9.5% construction, 19.0% production (2000).

Income: Per capita income: \$9,063 (2004); Median household income: \$20,000 (2004); Average household income: \$23,200 (2004); Percent of households with income of \$100,000 or more: 0.0% (2004); Poverty rate: 50.9% (2000).

Taxes: Total city taxes per capita: \$33 (2002); City property taxes per capita: \$33 (2002).

Education: Percent of population age 25 and over with: High school diploma (including GED) or higher: 61.4% (2004); Bachelor's degree or higher: 0.0% (2004); Master's degree or higher: 0.0% (2004).

Housing: Homeownership rate: 92.0% (2004); Median home value: \$52,500 (2004); Median rent: \$n/a per month (2000); Median age of housing: 60+ years (2000).

Transportation: Commute to work: 89.5% car, 0.0% public transportation, 10.5% walk, 0.0% work from home (2000); Travel time to work: 26.3% less than 15 minutes, 10.5% 15 to 30 minutes, 36.8% 30 to 45 minutes, 10.5% 45 to 60 minutes, 15.8% 60 minutes or more (2000)

LIBERTY (village). Covers a land area of 0.374 square miles and a water area of 0 square miles. Located at 39.88° N. Lat.; 91.10° W. Long. Elevation is 757 feet.

Population: 548 (1990); 519 (2000); 514 (2004); 501 (2009 projected); Race: 99.8% White, 0.0% Black, 0.0% Asian, 0.0% Hispanic of any race (2004); Density: 1,373.3 persons per square mile (2004); Average household size: 2.41 (2004); Median age: 38.2 (2004); Males per 100 females: 96.9 (2004); Marriage status: 22.9% never married, 62.4% now married, 6.9% widowed, 7.8% divorced (2000); Foreign born: 0.0% (2000); Ancestry (includes multiple ancestries): 38.3% German, 16.2% United States or American, 12.8% Irish, 7.5% English, 4.7% Scottish (2000).

Economy: Employment by occupation: 5.3% management, 16.0% professional, 12.2% services, 28.5% sales, 0.9% farming, 11.9% construction, 25.1% production (2000).

Income: Per capita income: \$20,734 (2004); Median household income: \$42,083 (2004); Average household income: \$50,035 (2004); Percent of households with income of \$100,000 or more: 6.1% (2004); Poverty rate: 12.2% (2000).

Taxes: Total city taxes per capita: \$31 (2002); City property taxes per capita: \$21 (2002).

Education: Percent of population age 25 and over with: High school diploma (including GED) or higher: 77.5% (2004); Bachelor's degree or higher: 10.7% (2004); Master's degree or higher: 2.3% (2004).

School District(s)

Liberty Comm Unit School Dist 2 (PK-12)
2003-04 Enrollment: 574 (217) 645-3433

Housing: Homeownership rate: 78.9% (2004); Median home value: \$88,125 (2004); Median rent: \$275 per month (2000); Median age of housing: 28 years (2000).

Newspapers: Liberty Bee-Times (General - Circulation 1,400)

Transportation: Commute to work: 93.7% car, 0.0% public transportation, 5.7% walk, 0.0% work from home (2000); Travel time to work: 21.1% less than 15 minutes, 42.5% 15 to 30 minutes, 34.3% 30 to 45 minutes, 0.6% 45 to 60 minutes, 1.6% 60 minutes or more (2000)

LIMA (village). Covers a land area of 0.214 square miles and a water area of 0 square miles. Located at 40.17° N. Lat.; 91.37° W. Long. Elevation is 659 feet.

Population: 120 (1990); 159 (2000); 160 (2004); 164 (2009 projected); Race: 99.4% White, 0.0% Black, 0.0% Asian, 2.5% Hispanic of any race (2004); Density: 746.5 persons per square mile (2004); Average household size: 2.81 (2004); Median age: 35.0 (2004); Males per 100 females: 92.8 (2004); Marriage status: 28.0% never married, 55.9% now married, 4.2% widowed, 11.9% divorced (2000); Foreign born: 0.0% (2000); Ancestry (includes multiple ancestries): 23.1% German, 15.4% English, 14.0% Irish, 9.8% United States or American, 2.8% Other groups (2000).

Economy: In agricultural area. Employment by occupation: 6.7% management, 8.3% professional, 13.3% services, 31.7% sales, 0.0% farming, 3.3% construction, 36.7% production (2000).

Income: Per capita income: \$15,547 (2004); Median household income: \$42,788 (2004); Average household income: \$43,640 (2004); Percent of households with income of \$100,000 or more: 0.0% (2004); Poverty rate: 0.7% (2000).

Taxes: Total city taxes per capita: \$13 (2002); City property taxes per capita: \$13 (2002).

Education: Percent of population age 25 and over with: High school diploma (including GED) or higher: 75.8% (2004); Bachelor's degree or higher: 6.1% (2004); Master's degree or higher: 0.0% (2004).

Housing: Homeownership rate: 89.5% (2004); Median home value: \$54,167 (2004); Median rent: \$225 per month (2000); Median age of housing: 39 years (2000).

Transportation: Commute to work: 95.0% car, 0.0% public transportation, 1.7% walk, 3.3% work from home (2000); Travel time to work: 17.2% less than 15 minutes, 41.4% 15 to 30 minutes, 29.3% 30 to 45 minutes, 3.4% 45 to 60 minutes, 8.6% 60 minutes or more (2000)

LORAINÉ (village). Covers a land area of 0.846 square miles and a water area of 0 square miles. Located at 40.15° N. Lat.; 91.22° W. Long. Elevation is 642 feet.

Population: 390 (1990); 363 (2000); 357 (2004); 343 (2009 projected); Race: 99.4% White, 0.0% Black, 0.0% Asian, 0.0% Hispanic of any race (2004); Density: 421.9 persons per square mile (2004); Average household size: 2.59 (2004); Median age: 33.6 (2004); Males per 100 females: 93.0 (2004); Marriage status: 17.2% never married, 64.6% now married, 7.5% widowed, 10.8% divorced (2000); Foreign born: 0.0% (2000); Ancestry (includes multiple ancestries): 32.6% German, 16.7% Irish, 12.0% United States or American, 10.9% English, 9.5% Other groups (2000).

Economy: In agricultural area. Employment by occupation: 9.1% management, 12.2% professional, 15.9% services, 20.7% sales, 1.2% farming, 11.0% construction, 29.9% production (2000).

Income: Per capita income: \$20,056 (2004); Median household income: \$49,286 (2004); Average household income: \$51,884 (2004); Percent of households with income of \$100,000 or more: 4.3% (2004); Poverty rate: 11.7% (2000).

Taxes: Total city taxes per capita: \$11 (2002); City property taxes per capita: \$11 (2002).

Education: Percent of population age 25 and over with: High school diploma (including GED) or higher: 82.3% (2004); Bachelor's degree or higher: 4.4% (2004); Master's degree or higher: 0.0% (2004).

Housing: Homeownership rate: 81.9% (2004); Median home value: \$50,606 (2004); Median rent: \$235 per month (2000); Median age of housing: 60+ years (2000).

Transportation: Commute to work: 98.7% car, 0.0% public transportation, 0.0% walk, 1.3% work from home (2000); Travel time to work: 15.9% less than 15 minutes, 38.2% 15 to 30 minutes, 42.7% 30 to 45 minutes, 3.2% 45 to 60 minutes, 0.0% 60 minutes or more (2000)

MENDON (village). Covers a land area of 0.731 square miles and a water area of 0 square miles. Located at 40.08° N. Lat.; 91.28° W. Long. Elevation is 760 feet.

Population: 854 (1990); 883 (2000); 893 (2004); 873 (2009 projected); Race: 99.8% White, 0.1% Black, 0.0% Asian, 0.6% Hispanic of any race (2004); Density: 1,221.2 persons per square mile (2004); Average household size: 2.50 (2004); Median age: 34.7 (2004); Males per 100 females: 90.4 (2004); Marriage status: 21.0% never married, 60.7% now married, 10.1% widowed, 8.2% divorced (2000); Foreign born: 0.6% (2000); Ancestry (includes multiple ancestries): 42.7% German, 16.3% Irish, 9.2% English, 6.7% United States or American, 6.6% Other groups (2000).

Economy: In agricultural area: corn, sorghum, soybeans; cattle. Employment by occupation: 8.2% management, 14.3% professional, 22.3% services, 17.1% sales, 1.4% farming, 13.9% construction, 22.7% production (2000).

Income: Per capita income: \$18,894 (2004); Median household income: \$38,694 (2004); Average household income: \$47,262 (2004); Percent of households with income of \$100,000 or more: 6.4% (2004); Poverty rate: 8.0% (2000).

Taxes: Total city taxes per capita: \$26 (2002); City property taxes per capita: \$24 (2002).

Education: Percent of population age 25 and over with: High school diploma (including GED) or higher: 80.9% (2004); Bachelor's degree or higher: 9.7% (2004); Master's degree or higher: 1.8% (2004).

School District(s)

Community Unit School Dist 4 (PK-12)
2003-04 Enrollment: 765 (217) 936-2111

Housing: Homeownership rate: 77.0% (2004); Median home value: \$75,600 (2004); Median rent: \$245 per month (2000); Median age of housing: 40 years (2000).

Transportation: Commute to work: 96.7% car, 0.4% public transportation, 2.5% walk, 0.4% work from home (2000); Travel time to work: 22.2% less than 15 minutes, 56.3% 15 to 30 minutes, 15.4% 30 to 45 minutes, 2.3% 45 to 60 minutes, 3.9% 60 minutes or more (2000)

PALOMA (unincorporated postal area, zip code 62359). Covers a land area of 10.096 square miles and a water area of 0.003 square miles. Located at 40.02° N. Lat.; 91.21° W. Long. Elevation is 735 feet.

Population: 192 (2000); Race: 100.0% White, 0.0% Black, 0.0% Asian, 0.0% Hispanic of any race (2000); Density: 19.0 persons per square mile (2000); Age: 17.7% under 18, 14.2% over 64 (2000); Marriage status: 8.9% never married, 85.4% now married, 0.0% widowed, 5.7% divorced (2000);

Foreign born: 0.0% (2000); Ancestry (includes multiple ancestries): 39.0% United States or American, 21.3% German, 15.6% English, 14.9% Irish, 4.3% Croatian (2000).

Economy: Employment by occupation: 6.7% management, 16.0% professional, 12.0% services, 28.0% sales, 8.0% farming, 0.0% construction, 29.3% production (2000).

Income: Per capita income: \$18,310 (2000); Median household income: \$43,295 (2000); Poverty rate: 0.0% (2000).

Education: Percent of population age 25 and over with: High school diploma (including GED) or higher: 85.0% (2000); Bachelor's degree or higher: 7.5% (2000).

Housing: Homeownership rate: 85.7% (2000); Median home value: \$95,000 (2000); Median rent: \$368 per month (2000); Median age of housing: 16 years (2000).

Transportation: Commute to work: 84.0% car, 0.0% public transportation, 0.0% walk, 16.0% work from home (2000); Travel time to work: 12.7% less than 15 minutes, 54.0% 15 to 30 minutes, 25.4% 30 to 45 minutes, 0.0% 45 to 60 minutes, 7.9% 60 minutes or more (2000)

PAYSON (village). Covers a land area of 1.147 square miles and a water area of 0 square miles. Located at 39.81° N. Lat.; 91.24° W. Long. Elevation is 760 feet.

Population: 1,114 (1990); 1,066 (2000); 1,031 (2004); 999 (2009 projected); Race: 98.7% White, 0.0% Black, 0.0% Asian, 0.7% Hispanic of any race (2004); Density: 898.9 persons per square mile (2004); Average household size: 2.70 (2004); Median age: 34.1 (2004); Males per 100 females: 97.1 (2004); Marriage status: 19.8% never married, 64.0% now married, 6.9% widowed, 9.3% divorced (2000); Foreign born: 0.6% (2000); Ancestry (includes multiple ancestries): 31.1% German, 18.2% United States or American, 10.3% Irish, 8.9% English, 7.0% Other groups (2000).

Economy: In agricultural area; limestone quarries. Employment by occupation: 10.7% management, 12.4% professional, 15.7% services, 25.4% sales, 1.4% farming, 10.9% construction, 23.5% production (2000).

Income: Per capita income: \$17,236 (2004); Median household income: \$42,416 (2004); Average household income: \$46,518 (2004); Percent of households with income of \$100,000 or more: 5.0% (2004); Poverty rate: 9.3% (2000).

Taxes: Total city taxes per capita: \$11 (2002); City property taxes per capita: \$11 (2002).

Education: Percent of population age 25 and over with: High school diploma (including GED) or higher: 85.2% (2004); Bachelor's degree or higher: 9.4% (2004); Master's degree or higher: 3.4% (2004).

School District(s)

Payson Comm Unit School Dist 1 (PK-12)
2003-04 Enrollment: 622 (217) 656-3323

Housing: Homeownership rate: 82.2% (2004); Median home value: \$76,053 (2004); Median rent: \$270 per month (2000); Median age of housing: 28 years (2000).

Transportation: Commute to work: 97.8% car, 0.0% public transportation, 0.4% walk, 1.8% work from home (2000); Travel time to work: 17.8% less than 15 minutes, 59.8% 15 to 30 minutes, 20.1% 30 to 45 minutes, 1.2% 45 to 60 minutes, 1.0% 60 minutes or more (2000)

PLAINVILLE (village). Covers a land area of 0.230 square miles and a water area of 0 square miles. Located at 39.78° N. Lat.; 91.18° W. Long. Elevation is 693 feet.

Population: 270 (1990); 248 (2000); 243 (2004); 237 (2009 projected); Race: 99.6% White, 0.0% Black, 0.0% Asian, 0.0% Hispanic of any race (2004); Density: 1,057.0 persons per square mile (2004); Average household size: 2.43 (2004); Median age: 36.8 (2004); Males per 100 females: 89.8 (2004); Marriage status: 12.6% never married, 69.9% now married, 6.6% widowed, 10.9% divorced (2000); Foreign born: 1.7% (2000); Ancestry (includes multiple ancestries): 28.0% United States or American, 23.7% German, 9.1% English, 3.9% Irish, 3.4% Scottish (2000).

Economy: In agricultural area. Employment by occupation: 8.0% management, 18.8% professional, 15.2% services, 21.4% sales, 1.8% farming, 17.9% construction, 17.0% production (2000).

Income: Per capita income: \$15,123 (2004); Median household income: \$33,333 (2004); Average household income: \$36,750 (2004); Percent of households with income of \$100,000 or more: 0.0% (2004); Poverty rate: 6.9% (2000).

Taxes: Total city taxes per capita: \$24 (2002); City property taxes per capita: \$24 (2002).

Education: Percent of population age 25 and over with: High school diploma (including GED) or higher: 78.8% (2004); Bachelor's degree or higher: 9.7% (2004); Master's degree or higher: 2.4% (2004).

Housing: Homeownership rate: 88.0% (2004); Median home value: \$54,615 (2004); Median rent: \$213 per month (2000); Median age of housing: 60+ years (2000).

Transportation: Commute to work: 94.5% car, 0.0% public transportation, 5.5% walk, 0.0% work from home (2000); Travel time to work: 16.4% less than 15 minutes, 40.9% 15 to 30 minutes, 37.3% 30 to 45 minutes, 0.0% 45 to 60 minutes, 5.5% 60 minutes or more (2000)

QUINCY (city). Covers a land area of 14.619 square miles and a water area of 0.027 square miles. Located at 39.93° N. Lat.; 91.38° W. Long. Elevation is 600 feet.

History: The first settlement at Quincy was called The Bluffs, and centered around the cabin of John Wood. Wood later served as lieutenant governor and governor of Illinois. When Adams County was created in 1825, Quincy was named as the county seat, and the town was platted. In the mid-1800's Quincy was an active shipping center.

Population: 41,151 (1990); 40,366 (2000); 39,358 (2004); 38,099 (2009 projected); Race: 92.5% White, 4.8% Black, 0.7% Asian, 1.2% Hispanic of any race (2004); Density: 2,692.3 persons per square mile (2004); Average household size: 2.44 (2004); Median age: 39.1 (2004); Males per 100 females: 88.7 (2004); Marriage status: 24.0% never married, 54.2% now married, 10.6% widowed, 11.2% divorced (2000); Foreign born: 1.0% (2000); Ancestry (includes multiple ancestries): 36.6% German, 12.1% Irish, 9.0% United States or American, 8.8% Other groups, 8.5% English (2000).

Economy: Unemployment rate: 4.7% (2004); Total civilian labor force: 21,142 (2004); Single-family building permits issued: 112 (2004); Multi-family building permits issued: 10 (2004); Employment by occupation: 9.9% management, 17.3% professional, 18.4% services, 28.4% sales, 0.1% farming, 7.5% construction, 18.4% production (2000).

Income: Per capita income: \$18,876 (2004); Median household income: \$33,447 (2004); Average household income: \$44,239 (2004); Percent of households with income of \$100,000 or more: 5.8% (2004); Poverty rate: 12.2% (2000).

Taxes: Total city taxes per capita: \$244 (2002); City property taxes per capita: \$142 (2002).

Education: Percent of population age 25 and over with: High school diploma (including GED) or higher: 82.8% (2004); Bachelor's degree or higher: 19.6% (2004); Master's degree or higher: 6.9% (2004).

School District(s)

Adams/Pike Roe
2003-04 Enrollment: n/a (217) 277-2080

Quincy Area Voc Ctr
2003-04 Enrollment: n/a (217) 224-3775

Quincy School District 172 (PK-12)
2003-04 Enrollment: 7,182 (217) 223-8700

Four-year College(s)

Blessing Rieman College of Nursing
Fall 2004 Enrollment: 228 (217) 228-5520

2004-05 Tuition: In-state \$14,480; Out-of-state \$14,480

Quincy University
Fall 2004 Enrollment: 1,294 (217) 222-8020

2004-05 Tuition: In-state \$17,650; Out-of-state \$17,650

Two-year College(s)

Blessing Hospital School of Medical Lab Tech
Fall 2004 Enrollment: 7 (217) 223-8400

Blessing Hospital School of Radiologic Technology
Fall 2004 Enrollment: 19 (217) 223-8400

Gem City College (Private, For-profit)
Fall 2004 Enrollment: 57 (217) 222-0391

2004-05 Tuition: In-state \$9,600; Out-of-state \$9,600

John Wood Community College (Public)
Fall 2004 Enrollment: 2,411 (217) 224-6500

2004-05 Tuition: In-state \$5,160; Out-of-state \$5,160

Vatterott College (Private, For-profit)
Fall 2004 Enrollment: 201 (800) 438-5621

2004-05 Tuition: In-state \$7,796; Out-of-state \$7,796

Housing: Homeownership rate: 66.7% (2004); Median home value: \$87,577 (2004); Median rent: \$323 per month (2000); Median age of housing: 50 years (2000).

Hospitals: Blessing Hospital (426 beds)

Newspapers: The Quincy Herald-Whig (Circulation 23,375)

Transportation: Commute to work: 92.3% car, 0.9% public transportation, 3.6% walk, 2.3% work from home (2000); Travel time to work: 68.6% less than 15 minutes, 23.5% 15 to 30 minutes, 4.0% 30 to 45 minutes, 1.8% 45 to 60 minutes, 2.0% 60 minutes or more (2000); Amtrak: Service available.

Airports: Quincy Regional-Baldwin Field (primary service)

Additional Information Contacts

Local Government Offices 217-228-4545
 Quincy Association of Realtors 217-228-0652
 Quincy Chamber of Commerce 217-222-7980

URSA (village). Covers a land area of 0.682 square miles and a water area of 0 square miles. Located at 40.07° N. Lat.; 91.37° W. Long. Elevation is 600 feet.

Population: 578 (1990); 595 (2000); 538 (2004); 508 (2009 projected); Race: 98.5% White, 0.0% Black, 0.9% Asian, 2.6% Hispanic of any race (2004); Density: 789.3 persons per square mile (2004); Average household size: 2.32 (2004); Median age: 39.0 (2004); Males per 100 females: 83.0 (2004); Marriage status: 15.4% never married, 67.9% now married, 9.7% widowed, 7.0% divorced (2000); Foreign born: 0.3% (2000); Ancestry (includes multiple ancestries): 46.6% German, 13.9% Irish, 11.2% United States or American, 8.5% English, 5.8% Other groups (2000).

Economy: Grain, soybeans; livestock; dairying. Manufacturing of plastic products, feeds. Employment by occupation: 8.7% management, 14.2% professional, 14.8% services, 29.4% sales, 0.3% farming, 12.9% construction, 19.7% production (2000).

Income: Per capita income: \$18,355 (2004); Median household income: \$37,609 (2004); Average household income: \$42,565 (2004); Percent of households with income of \$100,000 or more: 3.4% (2004); Poverty rate: 10.4% (2000).

Taxes: Total city taxes per capita: \$18 (2002); City property taxes per capita: \$17 (2002).

Education: Percent of population age 25 and over with: High school diploma (including GED) or higher: 84.2% (2004); Bachelor's degree or higher: 14.1% (2004); Master's degree or higher: 4.2% (2004).

School District(s)

Community Unit School Dist 4 (PK-12)
 2003-04 Enrollment: 765 (217) 936-2111

Housing: Homeownership rate: 75.0% (2004); Median home value: \$86,207 (2004); Median rent: \$269 per month (2000); Median age of housing: 30 years (2000).

Transportation: Commute to work: 85.6% car, 0.0% public transportation, 5.6% walk, 8.2% work from home (2000); Travel time to work: 26.0% less than 15 minutes, 61.2% 15 to 30 minutes, 7.8% 30 to 45 minutes, 0.7% 45 to 60 minutes, 4.3% 60 minutes or more (2000)

Alexander County

Located in southern Illinois; bounded on the west and south by the Mississippi River and the Missouri border, and on the southeast by the Ohio River; includes part of Shawnee National Forest. Covers a land area of 236.38 square miles, a water area of 16.16 square miles, and is located in the Central Time Zone. The county government was organized in 1819. County seat is Cairo.

Alexander County is part of the Cape Girardeau-Jackson, MO-IL Micropolitan Statistical Area. The entire metro area includes: Alexander County, IL; Bollinger County, MO; Cape Girardeau County, MO

Weather Station: Cairo WSO City Elevation: 311 feet

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
High	41	47	57	69	78	86	90	87	81	70	57	46
Low	26	31	40	50	59	67	71	69	61	50	40	31
Precip	3.0	3.5	4.6	5.0	4.8	4.3	4.3	3.8	3.1	3.5	4.3	4.1
Snow	4.0	2.7	1.7	tr	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.9

High and Low temperatures in degrees Fahrenheit; Precipitation and Snow in inches

Population: 10,626 (1990); 9,590 (2000); 9,386 (2004); 9,126 (2009 projected); Race: 62.7% White, 35.4% Black, 0.4% Asian, 1.5% Hispanic of any race (2004); Density: 39.7 persons per square mile (2004); Average household size: 2.55 (2004); Median age: 38.1 (2004); Males per 100 females: 100.3 (2004).

Religion: Five largest groups: 21.4% Southern Baptist Convention, 3.6% American Baptist Churches in the USA, 3.4% Catholic Church, 2.5% The United Methodist Church, 1.5% Assemblies of God (2000).

Economy: Unemployment rate: 10.1% (2004); Total civilian labor force: 3,741 (2004); Leading industries: 28.4% Health care and social assistance;

13.9% Manufacturing; 13.2% Retail trade (2003); Companies that employ 500 or more persons: 0 (2003); Companies that employ 100 to 499 persons: 1 (2003); Companies that employ less than 100 persons: 144 (2003); Farms: 149 totaling 78,418 acres (2002); Minority business ownership rate: n/a (1997); Women business ownership rate: 23.1% (1997); Retail sales per capita: \$2,903 (1997). Single-family building permits issued: 4 (2004); Multi-family building permits issued: 0 (2004).

Income: Per capita income: \$17,141 (2004); Median household income: \$28,632 (2004); Average household income: \$40,298 (2004); Percent of households with income of \$100,000 or more: 5.2% (2004); Poverty rate: 22.2% (2003); Bankruptcy rate: 7.92% (2004).

Taxes: Total county taxes per capita: \$127 (2002); County property taxes per capita: \$127 (2002).

Education: Percent of population age 25 and over with: High school diploma (including GED) or higher: 65.9% (2004); Bachelor's degree or higher: 6.8% (2004); Master's degree or higher: 2.6% (2004).

Housing: Homeownership rate: 72.4% (2004); Median home value: \$38,366 (2004); Median rent: \$185 per month (2000); Median age of housing: 39 years (2000).

Health: Birth rate: 162.1 per 10,000 population (2004); Death rate: 159.9 per 10,000 population (2004); Age-adjusted cancer mortality rate: 196.5 deaths per 100,000 population (2002); Number of physicians: 3.1 per 10,000 population (2001); Hospital beds: 0.0 per 10,000 population (2002); Hospital admissions: 0.0 per 10,000 population (2002).

Elections: 2004 Presidential election results: 47.3% Bush, 52.1% Kerry, 0.1% Nader, 0.6% Badnarik

National and State Parks: Fort Defiance State Park; Horseshoe Lake State Conservation Area

Additional Information Contacts

Alexander County Government Offices 618-734-7000
 Cairo Chamber of Commerce 618-734-2737
 Horseshoe Lake Chamber of Commerce 618-776-5198

Alexander County Communities

CAIRO (city). Covers a land area of 7.051 square miles and a water area of 2.081 square miles. Located at 37.01° N. Lat.; 89.18° W. Long. Elevation is 311 feet.

History: John G. Comegys, a St. Louis merchant, in 1818 secured the incorporation of the city of Cairo, named because he thought its site resembled Cairo, Egypt. Comegys died before he could carry out his plans, but the name Cairo remained when the Cairo City and Canal Company was formed in 1837 by Darius B. Holbrook. When the Illinois Central Railroad tracks were laid between Cairo and Chicago, Cairo's economy grew. Cairo was a Union headquarters during the Civil War, and received many thousands of Confederate prisoners.

Population: 4,873 (1990); 3,632 (2000); 3,390 (2004); 3,107 (2009 projected); Race: 34.2% White, 63.7% Black, 0.7% Asian, 0.7% Hispanic of any race (2004); Density: 480.8 persons per square mile (2004); Average household size: 2.32 (2004); Median age: 36.9 (2004); Males per 100 females: 77.7 (2004); Marriage status: 29.1% never married, 44.9% now married, 9.7% widowed, 16.2% divorced (2000); Foreign born: 1.4% (2000); Ancestry (includes multiple ancestries): 54.6% Other groups, 6.0% Irish, 6.0% German, 3.9% United States or American, 3.4% English (2000).

Economy: Single-family building permits issued: 0 (2004); Multi-family building permits issued: 0 (2004); Employment by occupation: 10.9% management, 14.9% professional, 22.7% services, 20.5% sales, 0.0% farming, 9.0% construction, 22.0% production (2000).

Income: Per capita income: \$17,717 (2004); Median household income: \$24,118 (2004); Average household income: \$39,687 (2004); Percent of households with income of \$100,000 or more: 5.8% (2004); Poverty rate: 33.5% (2000).

Taxes: Total city taxes per capita: \$237 (2002); City property taxes per capita: \$106 (2002).

Education: Percent of population age 25 and over with: High school diploma (including GED) or higher: 67.4% (2004); Bachelor's degree or higher: 7.4% (2004); Master's degree or higher: 3.0% (2004).

School District(s)

Alxnrd/John/Masc/Pulski/Union Roe (06-12)
 2003-04 Enrollment: 64 (618) 634-2292
 Cairo Unit School District 1 (PK-12)
 2003-04 Enrollment: 812 (618) 734-4102
 Five County Reg Voc System
 2003-04 Enrollment: n/a (618) 747-2703