



**GLCEDC**

## LIVINGSTON COUNTY ECONOMIC PROFILE

### MISSION STATEMENT

To promote and provide meaningful economic development opportunities for the business, industrial, rural and residential communities of greater Livingston County

## GREATER LIVINGSTON COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

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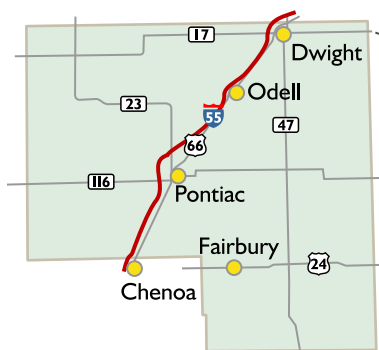
### AREA LABOR SHED

#### LABOR SHED BY CITY

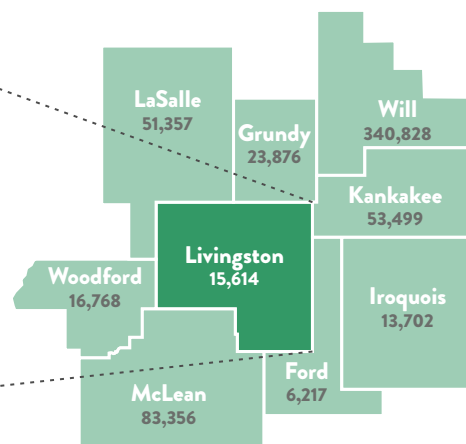
City	Labor Shed
Dwight	1,318,000
Pontiac	829,058
Odell	562,655
Chenoa	529,714
Fairbury	741,652

**Note:** Labor shed within a 60 mile radius of identified city.

#### LIVINGSTON COUNTY



#### REGIONAL LABOR FORCE



Source: EMSI: 2021.1 Workforce availability report  
JLL Dwight Megasite Site Assessment and Benchmark Report

Source: Illinois Department of Employment Security, 2020

### LIVINGSTON COUNTY EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY

Industry Name	Jobs
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	639
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	26
Utilities	58
Construction	764
Manufacturing	2,537
Wholesale Trade	775
Retail Trade	1,436
Transportation and Warehousing	1,012
Information	538
Finance and insurance	438
Real Estate and Rental Leasing	69
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	249
Management of Companies and Enterprises	0
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	337
Educational Services	91
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,553
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	132
Accommodation and Food Services	719
Other Services (except Public Administration)	773
Government	2,978
Total	15,169

### TOP 20 PRIVATE SECTOR EMPLOYERS OF LIVINGSTON COUNTY

Company Name	Total Workers	Location(s)
Caterpillar, Inc.	881	Pontiac
Vactor	653	Streator
OSF Saint James Hospital	464	Pontiac
LSC Communications	445	Pontiac
Interlake Mecalux, Inc.	240	Pontiac
Walmart	188	Pontiac
Selig Sealing Products	170	Forrest
U.S. Foods	151	Streator
Luckey Trucking	150	Streator
Fairview Haven	117	Fairbury
Evenglow Lodge	115	Pontiac
Advanced Technology Recycling	90	Pontiac
PTC Alliance	90	Fairbury
Technical Metals	90	Fairbury
Daves Supermarket	86	Pontiac
Futures Unlimited	86	Pontiac
Bank of Pontiac	85	Chatsworth
Quanex	77	Pontiac
Anthony Liftgates	65	Blackstone
Alloy Specialties	62	Fairbury

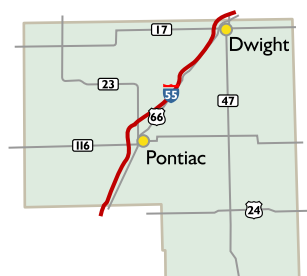
Source: GLCEDC Economic Development Survey, 2021



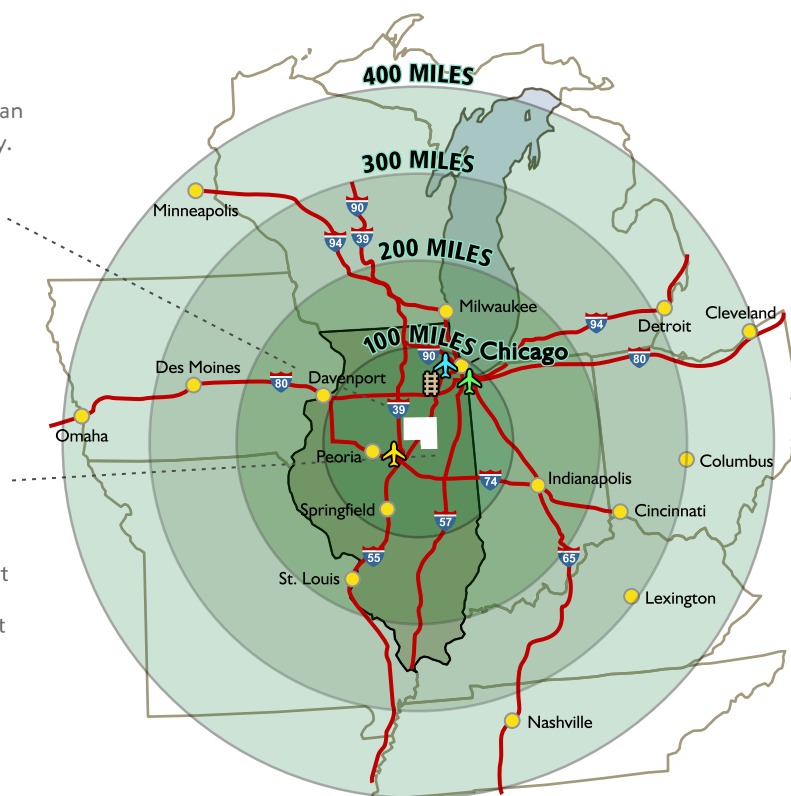
## PROXIMITY TO MARKETS

Interstate 55 bisects Livingston County. Four full interchanges connect Livingston County businesses to over 2,000 miles of interstate highway in Illinois. One-third of the US population can be reached within a one-day drive time from Livingston County.

From Livingston County to:	Distance (Miles)
Peoria, IL	70
Chicago, IL	79
Springfield, IL	106
Davenport, IA	139
Milwaukee, WI	171
Indianapolis, IN	174
St. Louis, MO	189
Cincinnati, OH	288
Des Moines, IA	310
Columbus, OH	349
Detroit, MI	351
Lexington, KY	365
Cleveland, OH	415
Nashville, TN	422
Omaha, NE	450
Minneapolis, MI	453



- Joliet Intermodal
- Midway International Airport
- O'Hare International Airport
- Bloomington-Normal Airport



### ► Highway

Livingston County is located approximately 80 miles South of Chicago on Interstate 55. It is also centrally located within 40 miles of Interstates 1-39, 1-57, 1-74 and 1-80.

### ► Airway

Livingston County is located approximately 90 miles from O'Hare International Airport and 80 miles from Midway International Airport. Additionally, the Central Illinois Regional Airport (CIRA) is located in Bloomington, approximately 40 miles away. Pontiac Municipal Airport also possesses a 5,000 foot runway and jet fuel service station.

### ► Rail

Livingston County is a strategic freight rail hub possessing the intersections of the following train lines: Burlington Northern Santa Fe & Norfolk Southern; Norfolk Southern & Union Pacific; and Toledo, Peoria, Bloomer Shippers Connecting Rail Road & Western. Also, Livingston County is served by high-speed Amtrak passenger service with depots in Dwight and Pontiac.

## COUNTY POPULATION DEMOGRAPHICS

Livingston County Population Percentage	Census	As a Percentage
<b>Total Population</b>	<b>36,040</b>	
<b>Odell</b>		
Male	18,429	51.1%
Female	17,611	48.9%
	<b>Census</b>	<b>As a Percentage</b>
<b>Population by Age Group</b>		
Under 5 years	1,955	5.4%
5-9 years	2,417	5.3%
10-14 years	2,214	6.7%
15-19 years	2,098	6.1%
20-24 years	4,358	5.8%
25-34 years	4,186	12.1%
35-44 years	4,710	11.6%
45-54 years	2,690	13.1%
55-59 years	2,090	7.5%
60-64 years	4,358	7.4%
65-74 years	4,186	10.1%
75-84 years	4,710	5.5%
85 years and older	1,169	3.2%
<b>Total Population</b>	<b>36,040</b>	<b>99.8%</b>

Source: U.S. Census 2019 Estimate

## REGIONAL POPULATION

Municipality	Population
Chatsworth	1,120
Chenoa	1,997
Cullom	580
Dwight	4,096
Fairbury	3,571
Flanagan	1,011
Forrest	1,058
Odell	1,097
Pontiac	11,688
Saunemin	410
Streator	12,653

Source: U.S. Census 2019 Estimate

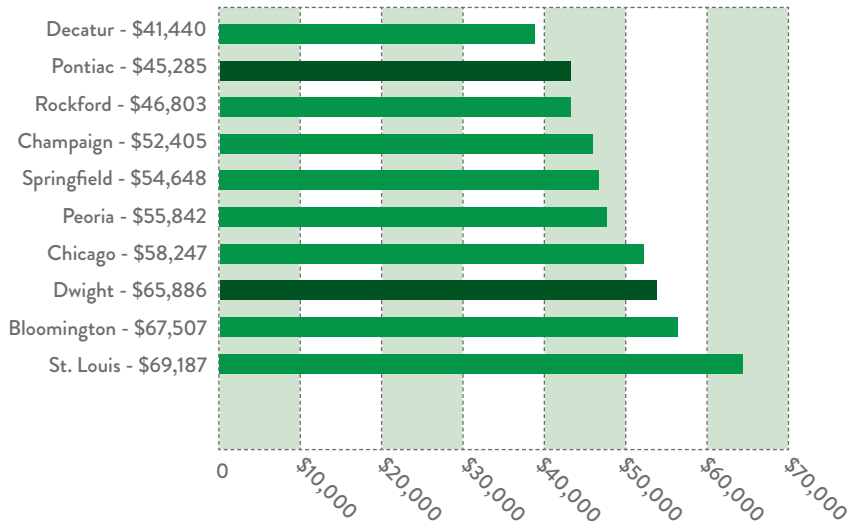


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### ANNUAL MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME



Source: U.S. Census 2019

### Gross Metropolitan Product (in billions \$)

Location	GMP	Distance From Livingston County
Livingston County	\$1.7	
Danville MSA	\$3.1	101 miles
Kankakee - Bradley MSA	\$5.5	49 miles
Decatur MSA	\$6.4	87 miles
Champaign - Urbana MSA	\$10.8	69 miles
Bloomington-Normal MSA	\$11.5	38 miles
Springfield MSA	\$15.5	106 miles
Rockford MSA	\$15.6	127 miles
Peoria MSA	\$20.9	60 miles
Chicago-Naperville-Elgin	\$688.7	98 miles
<b>Illinois</b>	<b>\$857.7*</b>	

\*Source: Livingston County EMSI  
(Economic Modeling System, 2021)

Source: Bureau of Economic Development, 2020.3

### WAGE RATES FOR SELECT OCCUPATIONS

Job Title	Livingston County Median Hourly Wage	Chicagoland* Median Hourly Wage
Bookkeeping, Accounting, and Auditing Clerks	\$16.41	\$21.11
Cashiers	\$9.86	\$11.83
Customer Service Representatives	\$15.93	\$18.19
Driver/Sales Workers and Truck Drivers	\$17.60	\$21.42
Food Preparation Workers	\$9.47	\$13.06
Laborers and Material Movers, Hand	\$15.14	\$14.15
Machinists	\$17.70	\$19.46
Maintenance and Repair Workers, General	\$18.51	\$20.55
Miscellaneous Installation, Maintenance, and Repair Workers	\$19.86	\$20.54
Nursing, Psychiatric, and Home Health Aides	\$12.77	\$14.55
Retail Salespersons	\$11.90	\$12.22
Sales Representatives, Wholesale and Manufacturing	\$29.57	\$31.32
Secretaries and Administrative Assistants	\$16.39	\$21.24
Social Workers	\$23.10	\$25.61

Source: EMSI: 2021.1 - QCEW Employees, Non-QCEW Employees, and Self-Employed  
Chicagoland includes the counties of Cook, Will, DuPage, Lake, McHenry, Kane, and Kendall.

## STATE OF ILLINOIS TAXES

### ► Corporate Income Tax

Calculated from reported federal income. The rate is 9.5% based on a 7% income tax and 2.5% replacement tax.

### ► Sales/Use Tax

Sales tax of 7.25% to 8.25% depending on the jurisdiction, is imposed on the purchase price of tangible personal property for use or consumption.



### Property Tax

The State of Illinois levies no property taxes; however, counties, municipalities, and schools levy these taxes.



### Unemployment Compensation

Maximum rate is 6.875%, standard rate is 3.175%. Contribution payments are subject to Taxable Wage Base of \$12,960.

Source: Illinois Department of Revenue 2020, Illinois Department of Employment Security 2020

## LIVINGSTON COUNTY UTILITIES:

Utility	Provider	Contact
911	Countywide	
Electricity	Ameren Energy	ameren.com
Electricity	ComEd	comed.com
Internet	CIRBN	cirbn.org
Internet/Telephone	AT&T	att.com
Internet/Telephone	Frontier	frontier.com
Internet/Telephone	Mediacom	mediacomcable.com
Natural Gas	Nicor Gas	nicorgas.com
Waste Services	Republic Services, Inc.	republicservices.com
Waste Water	Various Municipal Sources	
Water	Various Municipal Sources	



## EDUCATION IN LIVINGSTON COUNTY

Public Schools	Website
Dwight Township High School District 232	<a href="http://dwight.k12.il.us">dwight.k12.il.us</a>
Flanagan Cornell Unit 74	<a href="http://fc74.org">fc74.org</a>
Pontiac Township High School District 90	<a href="http://pontiac90.org">pontiac90.org</a>
Prairie Central High School District 8	<a href="http://prairiecentral.org">prairiecentral.org</a>
Cornell Community Consolidated School District 426	<a href="http://cornellgradeschool.org">cornellgradeschool.org</a>
Dwight Common School District 230	<a href="http://dwight.k12.il.us">dwight.k12.il.us</a>
Odell Community Consolidated School District 435	<a href="http://odellschool.org">odellschool.org</a>
Pontiac Community Consolidated School District 429	<a href="http://pontiac429.org">pontiac429.org</a>
Rooks Creek Community Consolidated School District 425	<a href="http://rooks creek.k12.il.us">rooks creek.k12.il.us</a>
Saunemin Community Consolidated School District 438	<a href="http://saunemin.org">saunemin.org</a>
Tri-Point Community Unit School District 6-J	<a href="http://tripointschools.org">tripointschools.org</a>
Woodland Community Unit School District 5	<a href="http://woodland5.org">woodland5.org</a>

Private Schools	Website
Dwight Baptist Academy	<a href="http://fbcdwight.org">fbcdwight.org</a>
Heartland Headstart, Inc.	<a href="http://heartlandheadstart.org">heartlandheadstart.org</a>
Grace Christian School	<a href="http://gracechristianschool.weebly.com">gracechristianschool.weebly.com</a>
St. Mary's Catholic School	<a href="http://school.stmaryspontiac.org">school.stmaryspontiac.org</a>
St. Paul School	<a href="http://stpaulodell.weebly.com">stpaulodell.weebly.com</a>

Source: [www.illinoischools.com](http://www.illinoischools.com)

### Bradley University

Main Campus – Peoria, Illinois

In 2020, Bradley University's enrollment was 4,600 undergraduate and 1,300 graduate students. Bradley University has eight schools, over 185 programs, and more than 340 faculty members.

### Heartland Community College

Main Campus – Normal, Illinois  
Campus – Pontiac, Illinois

In 2020, HCC's enrollment was 4,485 credit students and 9,010 non-credit students. HCC offers 12 degrees, 41 certificates, and 79 faculty members.

### Illinois State University

Main Campus – Normal, Illinois

In 2020, ISU's enrollment was 17,987 undergraduate students and 2,733 graduate students. ISU has six schools offering more than 160 fields of study and 1,355 faculty members.

### Illinois Wesleyan University

Main Campus – Bloomington, Illinois

In 2020, IWU's enrollment was 1,629 students. Recognized as one of the nation's premier private residential liberal arts universities, IWU offers 40 majors and 148 faculty members.

### Joliet Junior College

Main Campus – Joliet, Illinois

In 2020, JJC's enrollment was 3,876 full-time students and 10,773 part-time students. JJC has three campuses and three extension centers offering more than 180 degrees and certificate programs and 211 faculty members.

### Lincoln College

Main Campus – Lincoln, Illinois

In 2020, Lincoln College's enrollment was 1,100 undergraduate students. Lincoln College offers associate as well as bachelor's degrees with a student/faculty ratio of 15:1.

- **ATTRACTIONS:** Livingston County is home to six museums and a number of other exhibits and displays. Most with free admission!
- **PUBLIC PARKS & POOLS:** Throughout Livingston County, 25 city parks can be found. Indoor swimming facilities include the Flanagan Memorial Pool, Pontiac Elks Lodge, and the Pontiac Recreation Center. Outdoor pool facilities are located in: Chatsworth, Chenoa, Dwight, Fairbury, and Odell. Pontiac Recreation Center also offers two outdoor splashpads.
- **SPECIAL EVENTS:** Livingston County is home to a number of annual events throughout the year including: Harvest Days, Dwight; Heritage Days, Chatsworth & Pontiac; The Illinois Basset Waddle, Dwight; The Red Carpet Corridor Festivals, Dwight, Odell, & Pontiac; and the Thresherman's Reunion, a blue-grass festival, Pontiac; to name just a few.
- **VIBRANT ART COMMUNITY:** Livingston County enjoys an active arts scene with local artists and performing arts groups, many of which perform at the Eagle Performing Arts & Conference Center in Pontiac. The Vermillion Players has been entertaining audiences for nearly 55 years. There are also several art museums and galleries including Fairbury Echoes, The International Walldog Mural and Sign Art Museum, and Pontiac Community Art Center.
- **HEALTHCARE:** OSF HealthCare Saint James – John W. Albrecht Medical Center, located in Pontiac, Illinois, is a 42 bed, not for profit, acute care facility, fully accredited by The Joint Commission. OSF HealthCare Saint James serves as the area's gateway to health care with 24/7 emergency services, inpatient and outpatient surgery, critical care, a Family Birthing Center, multidisciplinary rehabilitation services, sophisticated diagnostic testing, cataract surgery, wellness, occupational health services and more to support residents on their health journey. For further convenience, multiple OSF Medical Group locations and OSF Home Care can provide the care you need where and when you need it. OSF HealthCare Saint James is part of OSF HealthCare. Please visit their website at [www.osfhealthcare.org/saint-james](http://www.osfhealthcare.org/saint-james) for a complete list of programs and services.



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\*Denotes GLCEDC Executive Committee

## A MESSAGE FROM GLCEDC

In Livingston County, you will find a pro-business and “can-do” attitude among our business and governmental leadership. We have a long history of working well with corporations to ensure their success and to assist them with their growth initiatives. I encourage you to join them and experience the success that comes with the proper mix of talented people, strategic location, and an abundant supply of quality raw materials.

## TESTIMONIALS

“Caterpillar supports the GLCEDC and its workforce development efforts. We were pleased that we could provide classroom space for the GLCEDC’s recent Manufacturing Skills Training Program.”

**Caterpillar** - Pontiac, Illinois Facility

“The GLCEDC’s property tax abatement and hiring incentive programs, with the support of local government units, have assisted Anthony Liftgates to expand its facility by nearly 25% and increase employment by nearly 20%. Collectively, Anthony Liftgates has invested over \$1,000,000 on building improvements, sales, marketing, and product offerings in order to grow our market share in the truck equipment industry. The GLCEDC’s simple and streamlined approach to getting things done is very refreshing. Helping existing local businesses is a great approach to improving economic opportunities for employers and employees alike. We look forward to working with the GLCEDC as we continue to invest in our company and its people.”

**Thomas Walker** - President, Anthony Liftgates

“Based upon direction from local manufacturing leaders, the GLCEDC was able to quickly and efficiently organize an intensive six-week, 100 hour, Manufacturing Skills Training Program which was taught by Heartland Community College. We were able to pair newly trained individuals with immediate job openings. Education, exposure, and experience is a winning workforce combination.”

**Sandy Erschen** - Branch Manager, Manpower

“The GLCEC helped connect us with employers responsible for over 1,000 jobs in the country. The business perspective gained allows us to link curriculum to the community expectations and needs to help prepare tomorrow’s workforce and future leaders.”

**Tera L. Graves** - Director, Livingston Area Career Center

“In the spring of 2015, Selig invested in a 25,000 square foot expansion to its Livingston County facility. Under pressures brought about by current state laws and the overall cost of doing business in Illinois we looked to the GLCEDC for assistance to help our business grow. The assistance received was a ten-year property tax abatement with Livingston County, Village of Forrest, and Prairie Central Schools in recognition of Selig’s continuing investment in the community. Local pro business initiatives and convenient proximity to Interstate highways, rail, and the Chicago market make Livingston County an excellent location for Selig’s continued corporate growth.”

**Brad Gulliford** - Director of Operations - US, Selig Sealing

“DeLong Ford, Inc. has been serving Dwight and the surrounding areas since 1940. The GLCEDC was persistent in their support of growing my Ford Dealership with a Building Improvement Grant. I hope other businesses take the initiative to reach out to the GLCEDC and take advantage of the help that they can provide. Adam was very professional and cares about growing communities in Livingston County.”

**Jonathan DeLong** - General Manager, DeLong Ford

“The OSF Board of Directors was proud to be part of the initial investment in the GLCEDC. That commitment continues today. We view the GLCEDC as one of our best opportunities to invest in the Livingston County community.”

**Brad Solberg** - President, OSF HealthCare St. James John W. Albrecht Medical Center