



# Economic Overview

## Elmhurst city, IL



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# Demographic Profile

The population in the Elmhurst city, IL was 45,538 per American Community Survey data for 2019-2023.

The region has a civilian labor force of 23,584 with a participation rate of 66.4%. Of individuals 25 to 64 in the Elmhurst city, IL, 71.2% have a bachelor's degree or higher which compares with 36.5% in the nation.

The median household income in the Elmhurst city, IL is \$145,374 and the median house value is \$532,800.

## Summary<sup>1</sup>

Demographics	Percent			Value		
	Elmhurst city, IL	DuPage County, Illinois	Illinois	Elmhurst city, IL	DuPage County, Illinois	Illinois
Population (ACS)	—	—	—	45,538	927,263	12,692,653
Male	49.3%	49.5%	49.4%	22,468	458,960	6,270,399
Female	50.7%	50.5%	50.6%	23,070	468,303	6,422,254
Median Age <sup>2</sup>	—	—	—	41.6	40.0	38.9
Under 18 Years	24.7%	22.4%	22.1%	11,251	207,574	2,808,879
18 to 24 Years	7.2%	8.3%	9.0%	3,280	76,913	1,145,167
25 to 34 Years	9.1%	12.3%	13.6%	4,165	114,213	1,722,902
35 to 44 Years	13.4%	13.6%	13.2%	6,108	125,786	1,681,081
45 to 54 Years	13.0%	12.9%	12.5%	5,939	119,617	1,587,855
55 to 64 Years	14.0%	13.7%	13.0%	6,379	127,025	1,644,936
65 to 74 Years	10.8%	10.1%	9.8%	4,905	93,703	1,246,228
75 Years and Over	7.7%	6.7%	6.7%	3,511	62,432	855,605
Race: White	80.0%	67.2%	63.3%	36,442	623,577	8,038,512
Race: Black or African American	1.8%	5.0%	13.8%	839	46,564	1,750,414
Race: American Indian and Alaska Native	0.2%	0.3%	0.5%	96	3,148	66,990
Race: Asian	6.7%	12.6%	5.8%	3,051	117,132	738,308
Race: Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0	267	5,514
Race: Some Other Race	1.7%	5.4%	7.3%	792	49,964	920,254
Race: Two or More Races	9.5%	9.3%	9.2%	4,318	86,611	1,172,661
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	10.1%	15.7%	18.5%	4,588	145,993	2,348,118
<b>Economic</b>						
Labor Force Participation Rate and Size (civilian population 16 years and over)	66.4%	68.4%	65.1%	23,584	509,456	6,638,033
Prime-Age Labor Force Participation Rate and Size (civilian population 25-54)	88.9%	87.5%	84.8%	14,399	314,155	4,221,692
Work from Home	23.1%	19.4%	14.0%	5,107	92,638	860,338
Armed Forces Labor Force	0.1%	0.1%	0.2%	24	435	20,841
Veterans, Age 18-64	2.1%	1.8%	3.0%	553	10,220	234,809
Veterans Labor Force Participation Rate and Size, Age 18-64	93.3%	86.8%	79.5%	516	8,875	186,611
Median Household Income <sup>2</sup>	—	—	—	\$145,374	\$110,502	\$81,702
Per Capita Income	—	—	—	\$75,456	\$57,051	\$45,104
Mean Commute Time (minutes)	—	—	—	28.3	28.0	28.1
Commute via Public Transportation	8.2%	4.5%	6.4%	1,822	21,513	392,650
<b>Educational Attainment, Age 25-64</b>						
No High School Diploma	2.1%	6.3%	9.0%	473	30,795	595,959
High School Graduate	9.4%	16.3%	23.4%	2,127	79,085	1,554,279
Some College, No Degree	13.2%	15.6%	19.2%	2,971	76,156	1,273,537
Associate's Degree	4.1%	7.4%	8.8%	931	35,861	581,975
Bachelor's Degree	39.5%	32.7%	24.3%	8,917	158,889	1,609,603
Postgraduate Degree	31.7%	21.8%	15.4%	7,172	105,855	1,021,421

## Summary<sup>1</sup>

	Percent			Value		
	Elmhurst city, IL	DuPage County, Illinois	Illinois	Elmhurst city, IL	DuPage County, Illinois	Illinois
<b>Housing</b>						
Total Housing Units	—	—	—	17,732	366,099	5,443,501
Median House Value (of owner-occupied units) <sup>2,5</sup>	—	—	—	\$532,800	\$374,100	\$250,500
Homeowner Vacancy	0.2%	0.7%	1.1%	31	1,928	38,531
Rental Vacancy	9.1%	5.5%	5.2%	345	5,567	90,930
Renter-Occupied Housing Units (% of Occupied Units)	20.3%	26.9%	33.2%	3,418	93,916	1,658,870
Owner-Occupied Housing Units (% of Occupied Units)	79.7%	73.1%	66.8%	13,445	255,581	3,343,034
Occupied Housing Units with No Vehicle Available (% of Occupied Units)	4.5%	4.2%	10.9%	757	14,825	545,425
<b>Social</b>						
Poverty Level (of all people)	3.5%	6.4%	11.7%	1,539	58,877	1,454,217
Households Receiving Food Stamps/SNAP	4.0%	7.3%	13.5%	675	25,442	673,465
Enrolled in Grade 12 (% of total population)	1.3%	1.4%	1.4%	597	12,945	175,845
Disconnected Youth <sup>3</sup>	0.0%	1.1%	2.4%	0	539	16,288
Children in Single Parent Families (% of all children)	11.2%	20.7%	33.8%	1,245	42,085	906,925
Uninsured	2.9%	5.3%	7.0%	1,313	48,447	870,603
With a Disability, Age 18-64	3.8%	5.9%	9.5%	974	33,176	729,202
With a Disability, Age 18-64, Labor Force Participation Rate and Size	68.2%	56.9%	49.3%	664	18,867	359,275
Foreign Born	10.3%	20.2%	14.4%	4,712	187,132	1,833,810
Speak English Less Than Very Well (population 5 yrs and over)	4.2%	9.8%	8.8%	1,799	85,510	1,056,059

Source: [JobsEQ®](#)

1. American Community Survey 2019-2023, unless noted otherwise

2. Median values for certain aggregate regions (such as MSAs) may be estimated as the weighted averages of the median values from the composing counties.

3. Disconnected Youth are 16-19 year olds who are (1) not in school, (2) not high school graduates, and (3) either unemployed or not in the labor force.

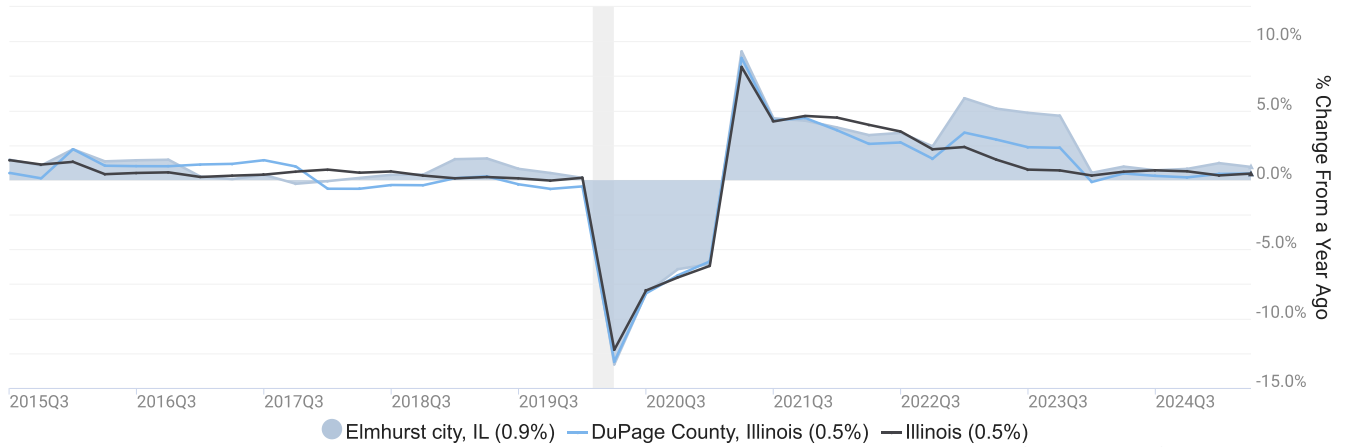
4. Census Population Estimate for 2024, annual average growth rate since 2014.

5. The Census's method for calculating median house values changed with the 2022 data set, so pre-2022 values are not directly comparable with later data.

# Employment Trends

As of 2025Q2, total employment for the Elmhurst city, IL was 34,812 (based on a four-quarter moving average). Over the year ending 2025Q2, employment increased 0.9% in the region.

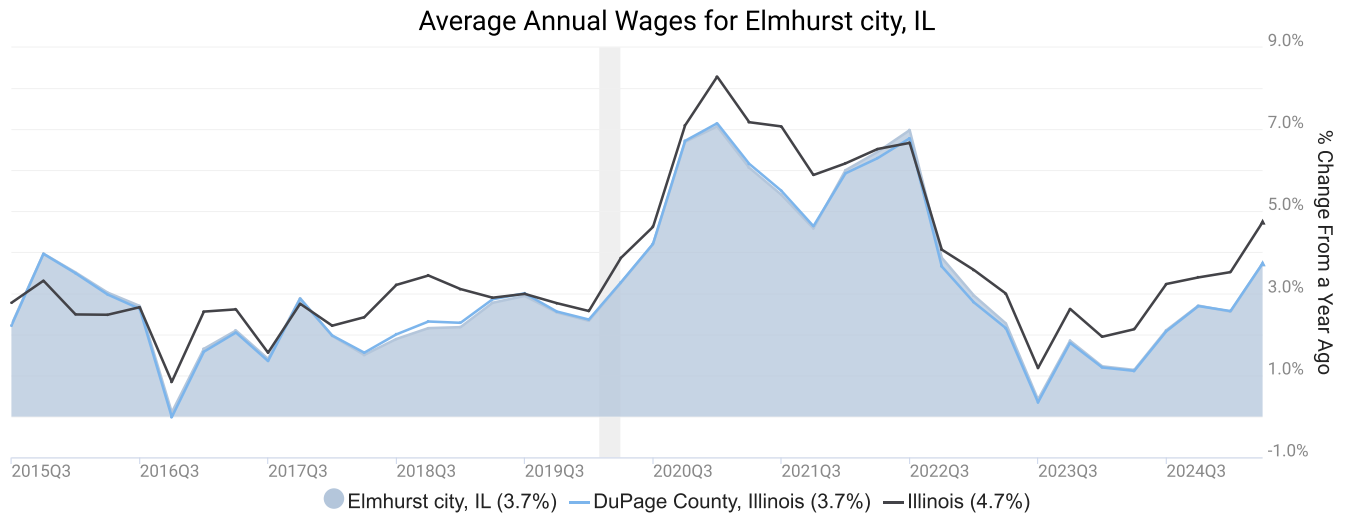
Employment for Elmhurst city, IL



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# Wage Trends

The average worker in the Elmhurst city, IL earned annual wages of \$79,904 as of 2025Q2. Average annual wages per worker increased 3.7% in the region over the preceding four quarters. For comparison purposes, annual average wages were \$75,686 in the nation as of 2025Q2.



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# Cost of Living Index

The Cost of Living Index estimates the relative price levels for consumer goods and services. When applied to wages and salaries, the result is a measure of relative purchasing power. The cost of living is 16.1% higher in Elmhurst city, IL than the U.S. average.

## Cost of Living Information

	Annual Average Salary	Cost of Living Index (Base US)	US Purchasing Power
Elmhurst city, IL	\$79,904	116.1	\$68,800
DuPage County, Illinois	\$79,750	117.2	\$68,062
Illinois	\$77,363	104.1	\$74,283
USA	\$75,686	100.0	\$75,686

Source: [JobsEQ®](#)

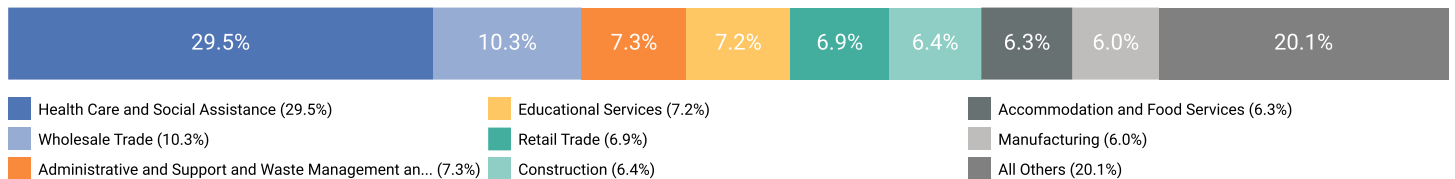
Data as of 2025Q2

Cost of Living per [COI](#), data as of 2025Q2, imputed by Chmura where necessary.

# Industry Snapshot

The largest sector in the Elmhurst city, IL is Health Care and Social Assistance, employing 10,270 workers. The next-largest sectors in the region are Wholesale Trade (3,602 workers) and Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services (2,530). High location quotients (LQs) indicate sectors in which a region has high concentrations of employment compared to the national average. The sectors with the largest LQs in the region are Wholesale Trade (LQ = 2.79), Health Care and Social Assistance (1.92), and Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services (1.21).

Total Workers for Elmhurst city, IL by Industry



Source: JobsEQ®  
 Data as of 2025Q2  
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Sectors in the Elmhurst city, IL with the highest average wages per worker are Management of Companies and Enterprises (\$171,604), Utilities (\$144,115), and Finance and Insurance (\$143,679). Regional sectors with the best job growth (or most moderate job losses) over the last 5 years are Health Care and Social Assistance (+2,522 jobs), Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services (+294), and Wholesale Trade (+248).

Over the next 1 year, employment in the Elmhurst city, IL is projected to contract by 179 jobs. The fastest growing sector in the region is expected to be Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation with a -0.1% year-over-year rate of growth. The strongest forecast by number of jobs over this period is expected for Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting (0 jobs), Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction (0), and Utilities (0).

## Elmhurst city, IL, 2025Q2<sup>1</sup>

NAICS	Industry	Current			5-Year History		1-Year Forecast				
		Empl	Avg Ann Wages	LQ	Empl Change	Ann %	Total Demand	Exits	Transfers	Empl Growth	Ann % Growth
62	Health Care and Social Assistance	10,270	\$71,274	1.92	2,522	5.8%	963	474	511	-22	-0.2%
42	Wholesale Trade	3,602	\$108,828	2.79	248	1.4%	333	143	208	-19	-0.5%
56	Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	2,530	\$57,952	1.21	294	2.5%	263	122	160	-19	-0.7%
61	Educational Services	2,506	\$60,063	0.89	180	1.5%	216	114	121	-18	-0.7%
44	Retail Trade	2,395	\$48,693	0.71	-104	-0.8%	298	146	175	-23	-0.9%
23	Construction	2,220	\$96,206	1.07	-164	-1.4%	174	73	109	-9	-0.4%
72	Accommodation and Food Services	2,199	\$30,863	0.73	238	2.3%	367	168	210	-11	-0.5%
31	Manufacturing	2,098	\$87,236	0.77	144	1.4%	181	83	126	-28	-1.3%
81	Other Services (except Public Administration)	1,515	\$55,394	1.02	46	0.6%	162	75	95	-7	-0.5%
54	Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	1,282	\$107,388	0.51	-479	-6.2%	98	40	60	-3	-0.2%
48	Transportation and Warehousing	1,102	\$67,320	0.63	223	4.6%	112	52	65	-4	-0.4%
71	Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	816	\$31,968	1.11	53	1.4%	115	50	67	-1	-0.1%
92	Public Administration	630	\$83,242	0.38	-52	-1.6%	52	24	33	-4	-0.7%
53	Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	509	\$87,305	0.83	-33	-1.3%	45	23	25	-3	-0.7%
52	Finance and Insurance	425	\$143,679	0.31	-18	-0.8%	32	14	20	-2	-0.5%
51	Information	394	\$141,366	0.60	-329	-11.4%	27	13	20	-5	-1.4%
55	Management of Companies and Enterprises	303	\$171,604	0.56	11	0.7%	23	10	15	-1	-0.4%
11	Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	5	\$45,125	0.01	3	24.3%	1	0	0	0	-0.8%
21	Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	4	\$101,534	0.03	1	8.0%	0	0	0	0	-0.5%
22	Utilities	3	\$144,115	0.02	1	4.1%	0	0	0	0	-0.5%
99	Unclassified	3	\$42,114	0.06	0	2.7%	0	0	0	0	-0.5%
<b>Total - All Industries</b>		<b>34,812</b>	<b>\$79,904</b>	<b>1.00</b>	<b>2,786</b>	<b>1.7%</b>	<b>3,521</b>	<b>1,633</b>	<b>2,066</b>	<b>-179</b>	<b>-0.5%</b>

Source: [JobsEQ®](#)

Data as of 2025Q2

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1. All data based upon a four-quarter moving average

Exits and transfers are approximate estimates based upon occupation separation rates.

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# Occupation Snapshot

The largest major occupation group in the Elmhurst city, IL is Healthcare Practitioners and Technical Occupations, employing 5,475 workers. The next-largest occupation groups in the region are Office and Administrative Support Occupations (3,710 workers) and Transportation and Material Moving Occupations (2,936). High location quotients (LQs) indicate occupation groups in which a region has high concentrations of employment compared to the national average. The major groups with the largest LQs in the region are Healthcare Practitioners and Technical Occupations (LQ = 2.61), Building and Grounds Cleaning and Maintenance Occupations (1.35), and Healthcare Support Occupations (1.22).

Occupation groups in the Elmhurst city, IL with the highest average wages per worker are Legal Occupations (\$154,300), Management Occupations (\$151,500), and Computer and Mathematical Occupations (\$111,800). The unemployment rate in the region varied among the major groups from 1.5% among Legal Occupations to 7.5% among Transportation and Material Moving Occupations.

Over the next 1 year, the fastest growing occupation group in the Elmhurst city, IL is expected to be Healthcare Support Occupations with a +0.2% year-over-year rate of growth. The strongest forecast by number of jobs over this period is expected for Healthcare Support Occupations (+5 jobs) and Community and Social Service Occupations (0). Over the same period, the highest separation demand (occupation demand due to retirements and workers moving from one occupation to another) is expected in Food Preparation and Serving Related Occupations (428 jobs) and Office and Administrative Support Occupations (391).

Elmhurst city, IL, 2025Q2<sup>1</sup>

SOC	Occupation	Current						5-Year History		1-Year Forecast				
		Empl	Mean Ann Wages <sup>2</sup>	LQ	Unempl	Unempl Rate	Online Job Ads	Empl Change	Ann %	Total Demand	Exits	Transfers	Empl Growth	Ann % Growth
29-0000	Healthcare Practitioners and Technical	5,475	\$108,500	2.61	40	1.5%	n/a	1,361	5.9%	275	143	146	-14	-0.3%
43-0000	Office and Administrative Support	3,710	\$54,100	0.94	115	4.4%	n/a	-185	-1.0%	345	186	205	-47	-1.3%
53-0000	Transportation and Material Moving	2,936	\$51,300	0.99	134	7.5%	n/a	291	2.1%	337	149	202	-13	-0.4%
41-0000	Sales and Related	2,675	\$64,300	0.89	136	5.5%	n/a	-136	-1.0%	280	136	170	-27	-1.0%
11-0000	Management	2,656	\$151,500	0.97	83	2.6%	n/a	353	2.9%	189	66	129	-6	-0.2%
35-0000	Food Preparation and Serving Related	2,389	\$38,000	0.83	90	7.4%	n/a	250	2.2%	416	191	237	-12	-0.5%
31-0000	Healthcare Support	2,042	\$44,000	1.22	39	4.6%	n/a	509	5.9%	275	126	144	5	0.2%
51-0000	Production	1,730	\$53,200	0.93	29	5.9%	n/a	28	0.3%	161	73	109	-21	-1.2%
25-0000	Educational Instruction and Library	1,578	\$68,600	0.83	61	3.1%	n/a	138	1.8%	130	70	70	-10	-0.6%
13-0000	Business and Financial Operations	1,558	\$97,400	0.68	95	3.6%	n/a	56	0.7%	115	46	75	-6	-0.4%
37-0000	Building and Grounds Cleaning and Maintenance	1,548	\$44,400	1.35	30	6.7%	n/a	213	3.0%	196	95	109	-9	-0.5%
47-0000	Construction and Extraction	1,502	\$87,500	0.96	18	5.8%	n/a	-158	-2.0%	111	46	70	-5	-0.3%
49-0000	Installation, Maintenance, and Repair	1,490	\$69,400	1.11	12	3.5%	n/a	-23	-0.3%	122	54	73	-5	-0.3%
39-0000	Personal Care and Service	911	\$43,600	1.01	27	6.4%	n/a	121	2.9%	147	60	88	-2	-0.2%
15-0000	Computer and Mathematical	626	\$111,800	0.56	53	3.8%	n/a	-49	-1.5%	31	13	20	-2	-0.4%
33-0000	Protective Service	493	\$65,500	0.64	19	5.6%	n/a	9	0.4%	53	24	32	-3	-0.7%

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21-0000	Community and Social Service	444	\$66,500	0.68	28	3.8%	n/a	56	2.7%	38	18	21	0	-0.1%
27-0000	Arts, Design, Entertainment, Sports, and Media	429	\$73,500	0.70	35	5.7%	n/a	-26	-1.2%	38	18	23	-2	-0.6%
17-0000	Architecture and Engineering	302	\$104,400	0.55	12	2.4%	n/a	-15	-1.0%	18	7	11	-1	-0.3%
19-0000	Life, Physical, and Social Science	178	\$96,200	0.55	8	3.2%	n/a	16	1.8%	12	4	9	0	-0.3%
23-0000	Legal	115	\$154,300	0.40	4	1.5%	n/a	-25	-3.9%	5	2	3	-1	-0.6%
45-0000	Farming, Fishing, and Forestry	21	\$53,000	0.11	0	n/a	n/a	5	5.5%	3	1	2	0	-0.7%
<b>Total - All Occupations</b>		<b>34,812</b>	<b>\$75,100</b>	<b>1.00</b>	<b>n/a</b>	<b>n/a</b>	<b>n/a</b>	<b>2,786</b>	<b>1.7%</b>	<b>3,298</b>	<b>1,527</b>	<b>1,949</b>	<b>-178</b>	<b>-0.5%</b>

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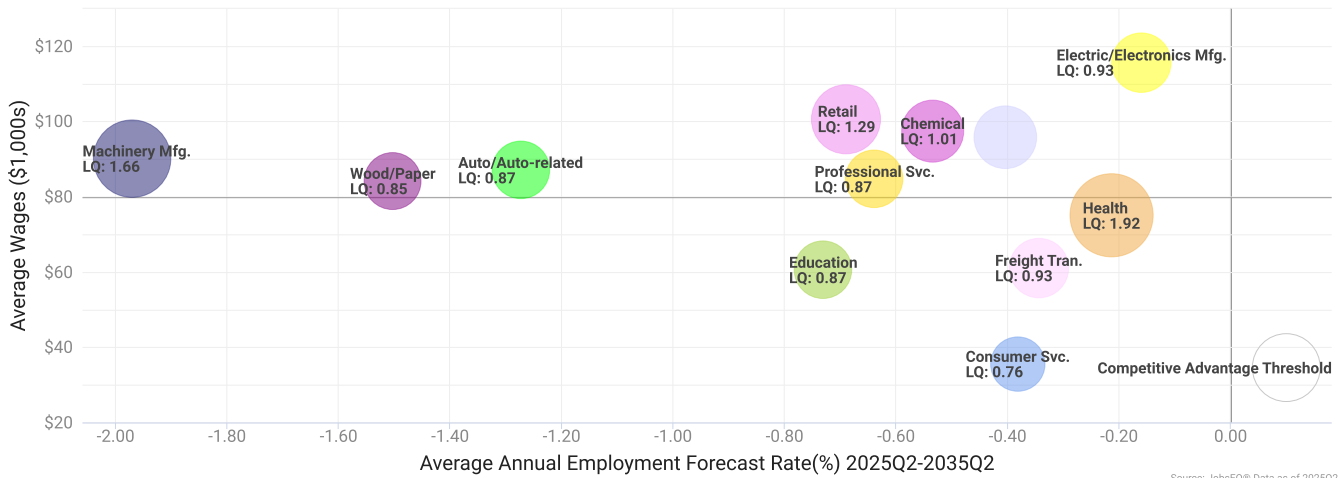
2. Wage data represent the average for all Covered Employment

Occupation employment data are estimated via industry employment data and the estimated industry/occupation mix. Industry employment data are derived from the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages, provided by the Bureau of Labor Statistics and currently updated through 2025Q1, imputed where necessary with preliminary estimates updated to 2025Q2. Wages by occupation are as of 2025 provided by the BLS and imputed where necessary. Forecast employment growth uses national projections from the Bureau of Labor Statistics adapted for regional growth patterns.

# Industry Clusters

A cluster is a geographic concentration of interrelated industries or occupations. The industry cluster in the Elmhurst city, IL with the highest relative concentration is Health with a location quotient of 1.92. This cluster employs 10,270 workers in the region with an average wage of \$75,022. Employment in the Health cluster is projected to contract in the region about 0.2% per year over the next ten years.

Industry Clusters for Elmhurst city, IL as of 2025Q2



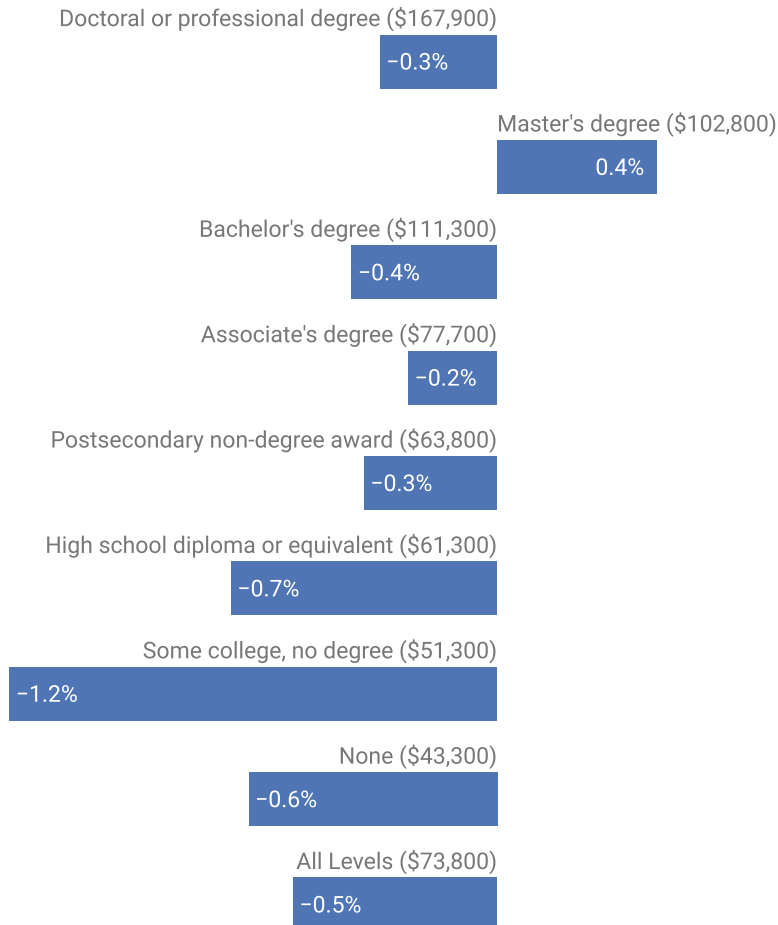
Source: JobsEQ® Data as of 2025Q2

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# Education Levels

Expected growth rates for occupations vary by the education and training required. While all employment in the Elmhurst city, IL is projected to contract 0.5% over the next ten years, occupations typically requiring a postgraduate degree are expected to contract 0.3% per year, those requiring a bachelor's degree are forecast to contract 0.4% per year, and occupations typically needing a 2-year degree or certificate are expected to contract 0.2% per year.

## Annual Average Projected Job Growth by Education Levels



Source: JobsEQ®  
Data as of 2025Q2

Employment by occupation data are estimates as of 2025Q2. Education levels of occupations are based on BLS assignments. Forecast employment growth uses national projections from the Bureau of Labor Statistics adapted for regional growth patterns.

# Elmhurst city, IL Regional Map



# FAQ

## What is a location quotient?

A location quotient (LQ) is a measurement of concentration in comparison to the nation. An LQ of 1.00 indicates a region has the same concentration of an industry (or occupation) as the nation. An LQ of 2.00 would mean the region has twice the expected employment compared to the nation and an LQ of 0.50 would mean the region has half the expected employment in comparison to the nation.

## What is separation demand?

Separation demand is the number of jobs required due to separations—labor force exits (including retirements) and turnover resulting from workers moving from one occupation into another. Note that separation demand does not include all turnover—it does not include when workers stay in the same occupation but switch employers. The total projected demand for an occupation is the sum of the separation demand and the growth demand (which is the increase or decrease of jobs in an occupation expected due to expansion or contraction of the overall number of jobs in that occupation).

## What is a cluster?

A cluster is a geographic concentration of interrelated industries or occupations. If a regional cluster has a location quotient of 1.25 or greater, the region is considered to possess a competitive advantage in that cluster.

## What is the difference between industry wages and occupation wages?

Industry wages and occupation wages are estimated via separate data sets, often the time periods being reported do not align, and wages are defined slightly differently in the two systems (for example, certain bonuses are included in the industry wages but not the occupation wages). It is therefore common that estimates of the average industry wages and average occupation wages in a region do not match exactly.

## What is NAICS?

The North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) is used to classify business establishments according to the type of economic activity. The NAICS Code comprises six levels, from the “all industry” level to the 6-digit level. The first two digits define the top level category, known as the “sector,” which is the level examined in this report.

## What is SOC?

The Standard Occupational Classification system (SOC) is used to classify workers into occupational categories. All workers are classified into one of over 804 occupations according to their occupational definition. To facilitate classification, occupations are combined to form 22 major groups, 95 minor groups, and 452 occupation groups. Each occupation group includes detailed occupations requiring similar job duties, skills, education, or experience.

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