

MARENGO IL

Great Things Happen Here

General Information

County	McHenry		
Population	1990	2000	
City	4,768	6,355	
Adjoining Townships (Including City)	11,952	14,803	
County	183,241	260,077	

Demographics (2000 data)

Number of Households	2,482
Median Household Income	\$50,214
Per Capita Income	\$22,225
Median Housing Cost	\$140,400
Greater Marengo Area (Zip Code 60152)	\$185,145

Marengo is located along the I-90 corridor, providing easy access to and from Chicago, Rockford and Madison. The Route 20/I-90 exit is a major transportation and service interchange.

Economic Development Amenities

Municipal Services

Local Government	Mayor / Council / City		
Comprehensive Plan	Yes		
Subdivision Ordinance w/ Design Standards	Yes		
Emergency 911 System	Yes		

Municipal Zoning	Yes		
County Zoning	Yes		
Home Rule	No		
Public Library	Yes		
Rescue Squad	Yes		

Fire Insurance Class	5	In City	6	Outside
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	Full Time	Part Time	Volunteer
Fire Department	1	0	27
Police Department	28	0	0

Commercial Services

General Waste Disposal	Yes
Special Waste Disposal	Yes

Radio Stations	2 in County	
TV Channels	64 (Chicago, Rockford, Madison)	
Cable	Yes	
Newspapers	2 Daily	2 Weekly

Banks	4	Assets \$ 335,000,000
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Additional Economic Amenities

City of Marengo Revolving Loan Fund	
McHenry County Loan Fund	

Industrial Parks	2
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Transportation

Motor Carrier

Highways Serving Community 1 Federal 2 State
 Interstates Serving Community Northwest Tollway I-90
 Interchange Yes Distance 8 mi 13 km

Motor Freight Terminals 1
 Local Carriers 2
 Interstate Carriers 1
 Intrastate Carriers 1

Package Delivery Service Yes

Air

Nearest Commercial Airport Chicago O'Hare Intl Airport
 Distance 45 mi 72 km
 Commercial Airlines 40 Flights per day 2,500

Nearest Public Airport Lake in the Hills Airport
 Distance 18 mi 28 km

Type of Surface Concrete
 Longest Runway 3,000 ft 900 m
 Runway Lighted Yes
 Fuel Available Yes
 Charter Service Available Yes
 Pvt Storage Available Yes
 Pvt Maintenance Available Yes

Railroad(s)

Service provided by Chicago Northwestern
 Piggyback Service - Local No
 Distance to nearest 60 mi 96 km
 Container Service - Local No
 Distance to nearest 60 mi 96 km

Travel Time (distance and travel time for goods in transit to selected major cities)

City	Highway Miles	Highway Km.	Day by Rails	Days by Truck
Atlanta	790	1,264	1	2
Chicago	60	96	1	1
Cleveland	403	645	1	1
Dallas	936	1,498	1	2
Denver	960	1,536	2	2
Detroit	330	528	1	1
Kansas City	440	704	1	1
Los Angeles	2,035	3,256	3	4
Memphis	544	870	1	1
Minneapolis	400	640	1	1
New Orleans	944	1,510	1	2
New York	900	1,440	1	2
St. Louis	288	460	1	1
Seattle	2,000	3,200	3	4

Utilities

Water

Water Supplier	Municipal	
Water Source	Well	
	Gallons/Day	Liters/Day
Storage Capacity	300,000	1,140,000
Treatment Capacity	1,800,000	6,840,000
Average Daily Demand	700,000	2,660,000
Peak Daily Demand	900,000	3,420,000
Excess Capacity	900,000	3,420,000

Waste Water Treatment

Type of Sewage Treatment Plant Process		Secondary Activated Sludge
	Gallons/Day	Liters/Day
Treatment Capacity	5,940,000	22,572,000
Present Load	558,000	2,120,400
Excess Capacity	5,382,000	20,451,600

Natural Gas - Electricity - Telecommunications

Gas Supplier	NiCor
Electric Supplier	ComEd
Local Telephone Supplier	Ameritech
Digital Switching	Yes
Fiber Optics	Yes
Long Distance Carriers	AT&T, MCI, Others
Cable Supplier	Charter Communications

Climate

Avg. Winter Temp	23.00 F	-5.00 C
Avg. Summer Temp	74.00 F	23.33 C
Avg. Annual Rainfall	34.00 In	86.36 Cm
Avg. Annual Snowfall	32.00 In	81.28 Cm

Marengo's resident workforce is strong and growing, offering a skilled labor pool qualified in a wide range of industries.

Health Facilities

Health Facilities

Distance to Nearest Hospital	15 MI 24 KM
Clinics	2
Doctors	4
Dentists	5
Emergency Medical Treatment	Marengo Rescue Squad
Nurse Practitioners	1
Chiropractors	3
Podiatrists	1
Optometrists	2

Education Facilities

Education Facilities

Type	Number	Teachers	Enrollment
Elementary/Jr High	3	101	1,422
High School	1	51	688

Latest A.C.T. Composite Score 23.2 (2001)

The Marengo area offers easy access to a wealth of advanced educational facilities, including 3 community colleges, one university and one four-year college within 25 miles.

Employment

Employment

Major Employers In The Community

Employer	Product/Service	Employees	Union Affiliation	Year Established
NISSAN-FORKLIFT CORP	ELECTRIC LIFT TRUCK	525	None	1993
WARNER ELECTRIC BRAKE	INDUSTRIAL CONTROLS	220	None	1904
ARNOLD ENGINEERING	ELEC. MAGNETIC MATERIALS	180	1 AM AEROSPACE	1910
TOP DIE CASTING CO.	ALUMINUM DIE CASTING	150	None	1965
DIVERSAPACK, LLC	PLASTIC PRODUCTS	130	None	1985
WOODSTOCK PLASTICS	SPORTING GOODS, MEDICAL	85	None	1989
MARENGO TOOL & DIE	BOLTS, NUTS, SCREWS	50	None	1945
MCGILL METAL PRODUCTS	MISC. FABRICATED METALS	45	None	1878
PAVELOC INDUSTRIES	CONCRETE PAVING & RETAINING WALLS	40	None	1986

Labor Force

Labor Force Summary for McHenry County
(Annual Average for Year 2000)

Total Labor Force	139,396
Unemployed	4,503
Percentage	3.23%
Total Employed	134,893
Manufacturing	30.10%
Non-Manufacturing	68.20%
Agriculture	1.70%

Wage Rates

Wage rates for experienced workers in selected occupations working in McHenry County

Occupation	Entry	Top
Accountant/Auditor	\$ 13.27	\$ 17.78
Assembler-Electronic	\$ 7.66	\$ 9.98
Assembler-Production	\$ 7.12	\$ 9.10
Computer Operator	\$ 10.30	\$ 14.43
Computer Programmer	\$ 16.05	\$ 22.68
Data Entry Operator	\$ 8.05	\$ 10.30
Drill or Punch Press	\$ 7.74	\$ 10.12
Engineer	\$ 18.78	\$ 26.43
Janitor/Porter/Cleaner	\$ 9.76	\$ 9.84
Laborer	\$ 6.76	\$ 10.31
Machinist	\$ 8.71	\$ 14.44
Maintenance Mechanic	\$ 10.65	\$ 14.50
Office Clerk	\$ 8.05	\$ 10.30
Secretary	\$ 8.75	\$ 12.10
Sheet Metal Worker	\$ 6.89	\$ 6.89
Ship-Reving Clerk	\$ 8.59	\$ 10.98
Tool & Die Maker	\$ 14.12	\$ 19.46
Warehouse Worker	\$ 8.19	\$ 10.80
Welder	\$ 9.58	\$ 12.88
Word Processor	\$ 9.80	\$ 11.85

Marengo's location in the far southwestern corner of McHenry County and along the Northwest Tollway puts regional shopping, cultural and recreational amenities within easy reach. The city is centrally located between the urban centers of Chicago and Rockford and is an ideal site for expansion-minded companies.

Community Facilities

(Available within 15 miles)

Motels/Hotels	4	Protestant Churches	6
Number of Rooms	300	Catholic Churches	1
Restaurants	25	Jewish Synagogues	1
Capacity of Largest Banquet Room	450	Health Clubs	1
Public Golf Courses	6	Public Swimming Pools	1
Public Tennis Courts	2	Public Parks	2

The Marengo area is home to two McHenry County Conservation District parks, camping facilities and the scenic Kishwaukee River. Marengo's Indian Oaks Park is a 140-acre multi-purpose recreational area with a community swimming pool, soccer and softball fields, nature center and full program offering. A variety of interesting museums and attractions are also nearby.

Marengo is a great place to live, work and play. The community's small town charm provides a high quality of life for its growing population.

Legislative Data

State Rep. District	63
Senate District	32
US Congressional District	16

Tax Structure

The Marengo area offers favorable tax rates which are considerably lower than in Cook County and surrounding municipalities.

Property tax rates per \$100 assessed valuation.

Valuation is 33.3% of real property except in Cook County where commercial property is assessed at 38% and industrial property is assessed at 36%.

Property Tax Rates

Year 2001	Total Property Tax Rates For Two Previous Years	
	1999	2000
City	0.8771%	
County	0.6380%	
School	4.7934%	
Other(s)	1.4111%	
Total	7.7196%	
		7.1209%
		7.1669%

Total Sales Tax Rate 6.50%

Utility Taxes

Electricity	5.00%
Natural Gas	5.00%
Telephone	5.00%
Water	0.00%

Location Services and Other Information

Economic / Industrial Development Contacts

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