

## Chicago by the Numbers

### November 2009

Indicator - MSA	Sep '09	Aug '09	Jul '09	Sep '08
Total Employment	4,334.9	4,348.5	4,356.4	4,541.3
Total Private Sector	3,770.6	3,801.0	3,802.8	3,971.3
Construction	181.4	184.5	184.8	212.6
Manufacturing	426.1	427.9	426.6	468.5
Wholesale Trade	240.1	241.9	243.3	249.5
Retail Trade	447.2	451.6	453.4	463.0
Transportation & Utilities	194.0	192.9	192.2	203.4
Information	83.3	83.8	83.8	89.5
Financial Activities	294.4	297.0	298.8	314.0
Prof. & Business Services	699.7	705.6	701.7	741.9
Education & Health Services	606.9	601.5	602.6	609.8
Leisure & Hospitality	401.8	411.8	412.0	417.0
Other Services	193.6	200.4	201.5	199.9
Government	564.3	547.5	553.6	570.0
Mining & Natural Resources	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.2
Unemployment Rate	10.0	9.7	10.6	6.2
Midwest Housing Starts	104	106	112	138
Office Availability Rate	13.2			10.7
Office Net Absorption	-514,019			552,881
Producer's Price Index	173.7	174.7	171.7	182.3
Consumer Price Index -U	215.8	215.4	214.5	218.7
Consumer Confidence	53.4	54.5	47.4	61.4
National Purchasing				
Managers Index	52.6	52.9	48.9	43.4
Chicago Purchasing				
Managers Index	46.1	50.0	43.4	55.9
Chicago Midwest				
Manufacturing Index	82.3	81.6	80.3	97.8
New Automobile Sales	3.3	5.3	4.2	4.3
New Truck Sales	3.5	4.9	4.2	5.2

#### Footnotes

The Chicago MSA (metropolitan statistical area) consists of a fourteen-county, tri-state region: Cook, DeKalb, DuPage, Grundy, Kane, Kendall, Lake, McHenry, and Will counties in Illinois; Jasper, Lake, Newton, and Porter counties in Indiana; and Kenosha County in Wisconsin. The employment, housing, and net absorption numbers are listed in thousands. The Producer Price Index figures for July-September 2009, as well as the unemployment rate for September 2009 are preliminary only. All employment figures are not seasonally adjusted. The office absorption and availability rate are 2009/2008 third quarter numbers for the downtown Chicago market. Data is from CB Richard Ellis. Net Absorption is the change in available space in square feet. Availability rate is space that is currently vacant or in the process of being marketed. Consumer confidence, automobile and truck sales are U.S. numbers. The Chicago Midwest Manufacturing Index is a monthly estimate of manufacturing output in the 7th Federal Reserve district (Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, and Wisconsin). It is a composite index of sixteen manufacturing industries that use electrical power and hours worked data to measure monthly changes in regional activity.