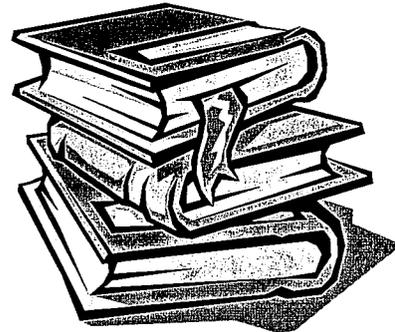


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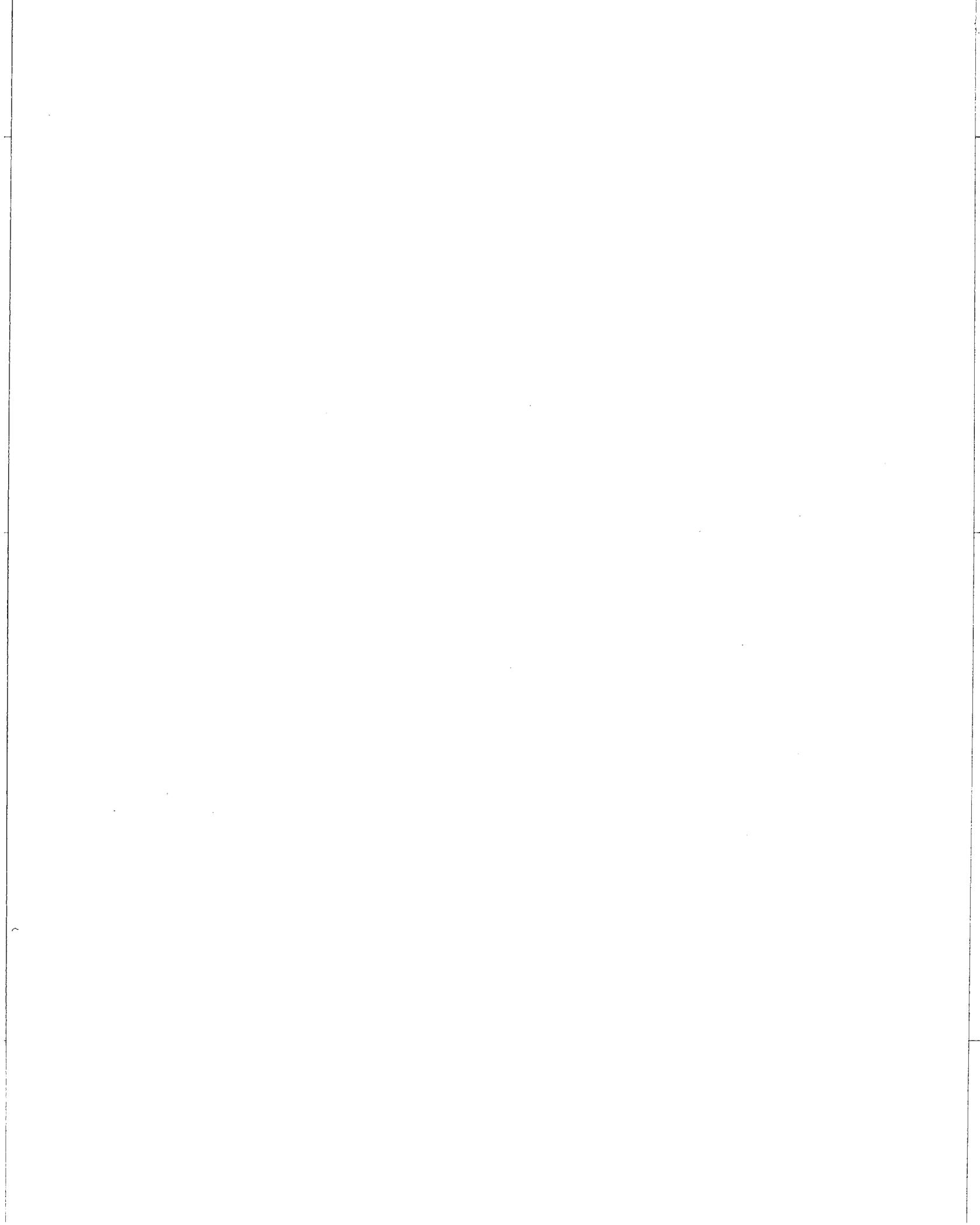
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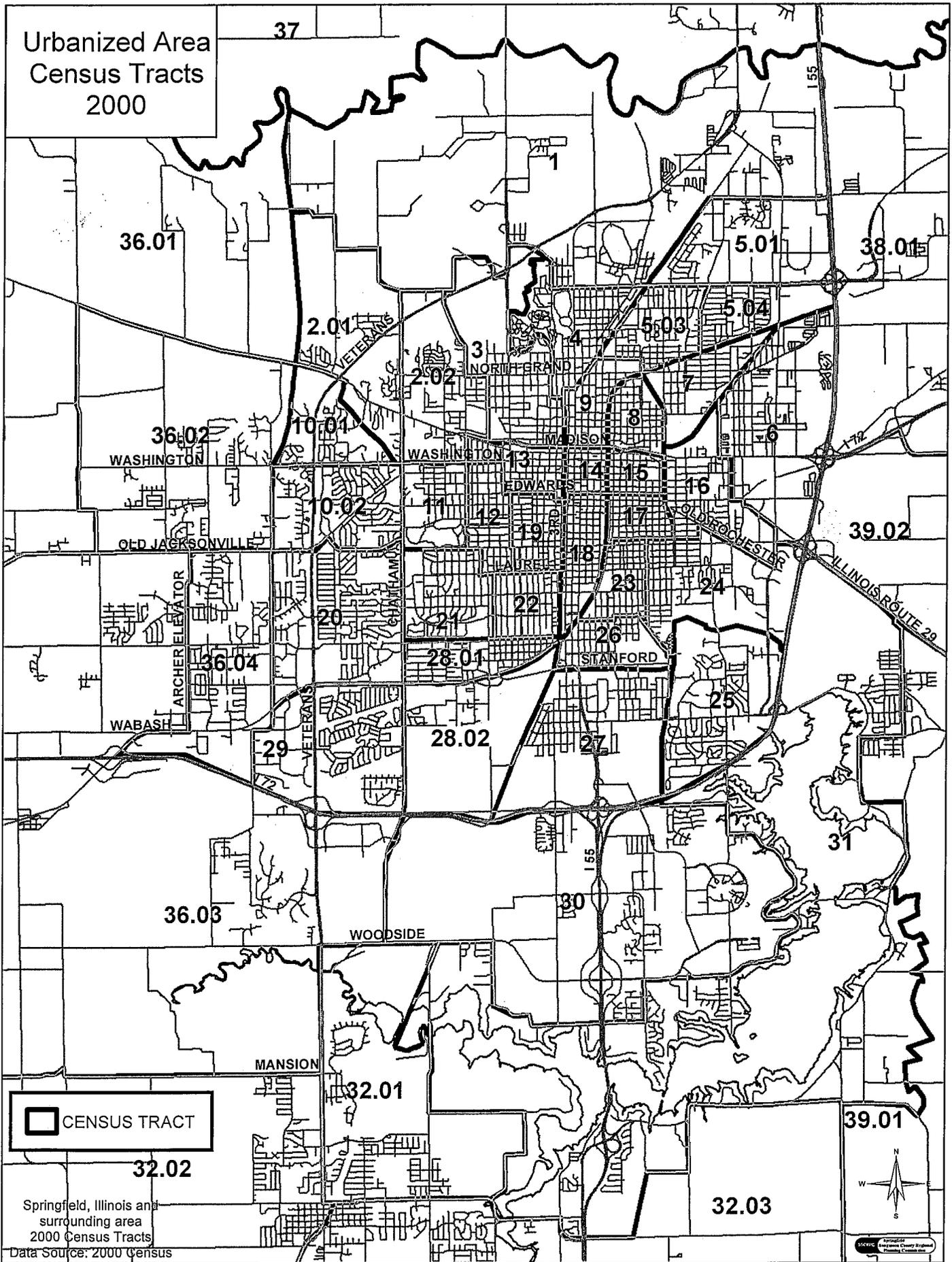
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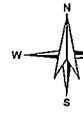
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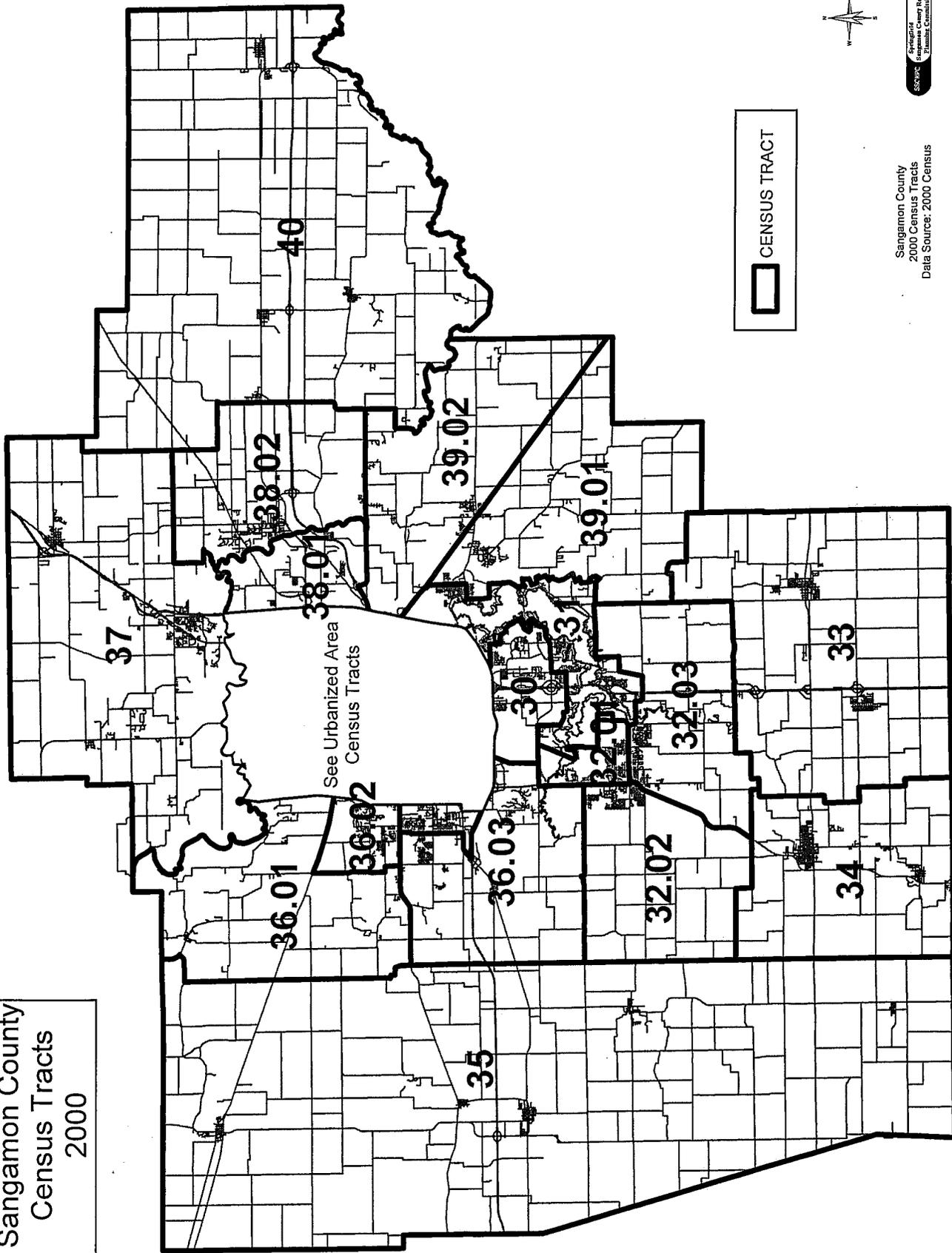
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# POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS

## Growth

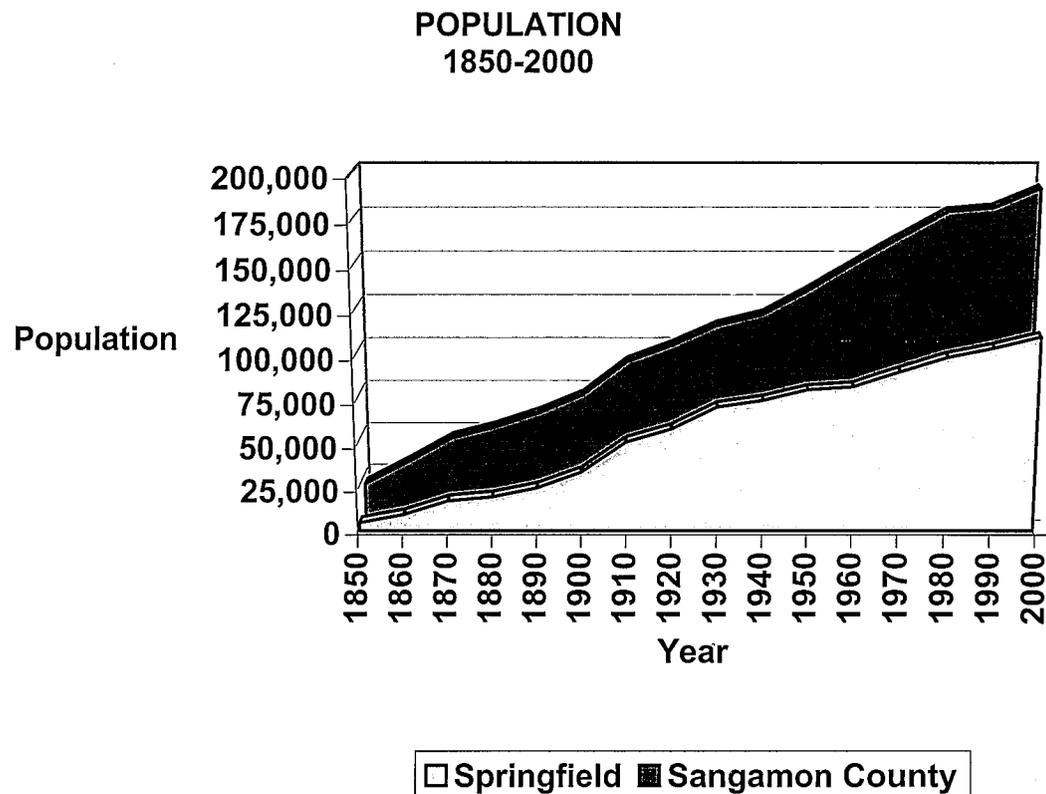
**Historical Perspective.** There has been a wide range of population growth rates since 1850 in Springfield, Sangamon County, and Illinois. Springfield, for example, had a growth rate of 106% in the decade from 1850 to 1860, but of only 2% from 1950 to 1960. As the population base increases, however, the growth rate indicated by a percentage figure reflects ever larger actual numbers of population increase. Thus the 106% increase in the 1850 Springfield population base of 4,533 inhabitants represents an increase of 4,787, but the 2% increase in the 1950 Springfield population base of 81,628 inhabitants indicates an increase of 1,643 people. An accurate picture of historical population changes must examine both relative and absolute growth figures. (Table 1). (Figure 1).

Table 1

**POPULATION IN HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE  
Springfield and Sangamon County, Illinois**

Year	Springfield		Sangamon County		State of Illinois	
	Population	Increase From Prior Decade	Population	Increase From Prior Decade	Population	Increase From Prior Decade
1850	4,533		19,228		851,470	
1860	9,320	106%	32,274	68%	1,711,951	101%
1870	17,364	86%	46,352	44%	2,539,891	48%
1880	19,743	14%	52,894	14%	3,077,871	21%
1890	24,963	26%	61,195	16%	3,826,352	24%
1900	34,159	37%	71,593	17%	4,821,550	26%
1910	51,678	51%	91,024	27%	5,638,591	17%
1920	59,183	15%	100,262	10%	6,485,280	15%
1930	71,864	21%	111,733	11%	7,630,654	18%
1940	75,503	5%	117,912	6%	7,897,241	3%
1950	81,628	8%	131,484	12%	8,712,176	10%
1960	83,271	2%	146,539	11%	10,081,158	16%
1970	91,753	10%	161,335	10%	11,113,976	10%
1980	100,054	9%	176,070	9%	11,426,518	3%
1990	105,227	5%	178,386	1%	11,430,602	*
2000	111,454	6%	188,951	6%	12,419,293	9%

\* Less than 1/2 of 1%



A similar fluctuation in growth rates since 1850 can be observed for Sangamon County and for Illinois. Sangamon County was formed in 1821 and assumed its present boundaries in 1839. Population data for the county after that date are comparable. Sangamon County population growth rates show a wide range, similar to that of Springfield. The largest rate of increase in the county population also occurred from 1850 to 1860, when the growth rate was 68%. The rate dropped to 1% in the decade from 1980 to 1990. The range for the State of Illinois is even more extensive, displaying a growth rate of 101% from 1850 to 1860, with less than ½ of 1% increase for the 1980-1990 decade.

**Comparative Analysis.** Recent trends in population growth in the mid-size Illinois counties of Sangamon, Champaign, McLean, Macon, Peoria, Rock Island and Winnebago show considerable variation in growth rates. In the last decade, rates vary from a population decrease in Macon County to a 16% increase in McLean County. Sangamon County's population increased moderately at 6%. (Table 2).

Table 2

**POPULATION GROWTH  
Sangamon County and Selected Illinois Counties  
1990-2000**

County	Population		% Change
	1990	2000	1990-2000
<b>Sangamon</b>	178,386	188,951	5.9%
<b>Champaign</b>	173,025	179,669	3.8%
<b>McLean</b>	129,180	150,433	16.5%
<b>Macon</b>	117,206	114,706	-2.1%
<b>Peoria</b>	182,827	183,433	0.3%
<b>Rock Island</b>	148,723	149,374	0.4%
<b>Winnebago</b>	252,913	278,418	10.1%
<b>Illinois</b>	11,430,602	12,419,293	8.6%

A comparison of population growth in the 20 townships comprising Sangamon County reveals population increases in most townships and decreases on the east side of the county. Springfield and Woodside Townships are the exceptions to this trend. These two townships have very little opportunity for growth since new development in these areas is annexed to the City of Springfield and becomes part of Capital Township. Ball, Chatham, Fancy Creek and New Berlin Townships all had a growth rate over 20% for the last decade. (Table 3). (Figure 2).

As would be expected since the county's growth rate increased in the last decade, almost all townships grew at a faster rate from 1990-2000 than from 1980-1990. Those townships which have been losing population did so at a slower rate than previously.

Incorporated areas in the county averaged a growth rate of 8%. Small villages in eastern Sangamon County and in the urban area lost population. Chatham was the fastest growing village (41%) followed by Clear Lake and Sherman. (Table 4).

Table 3

**POPULATION  
Townships  
Sangamon County  
1990-2000**

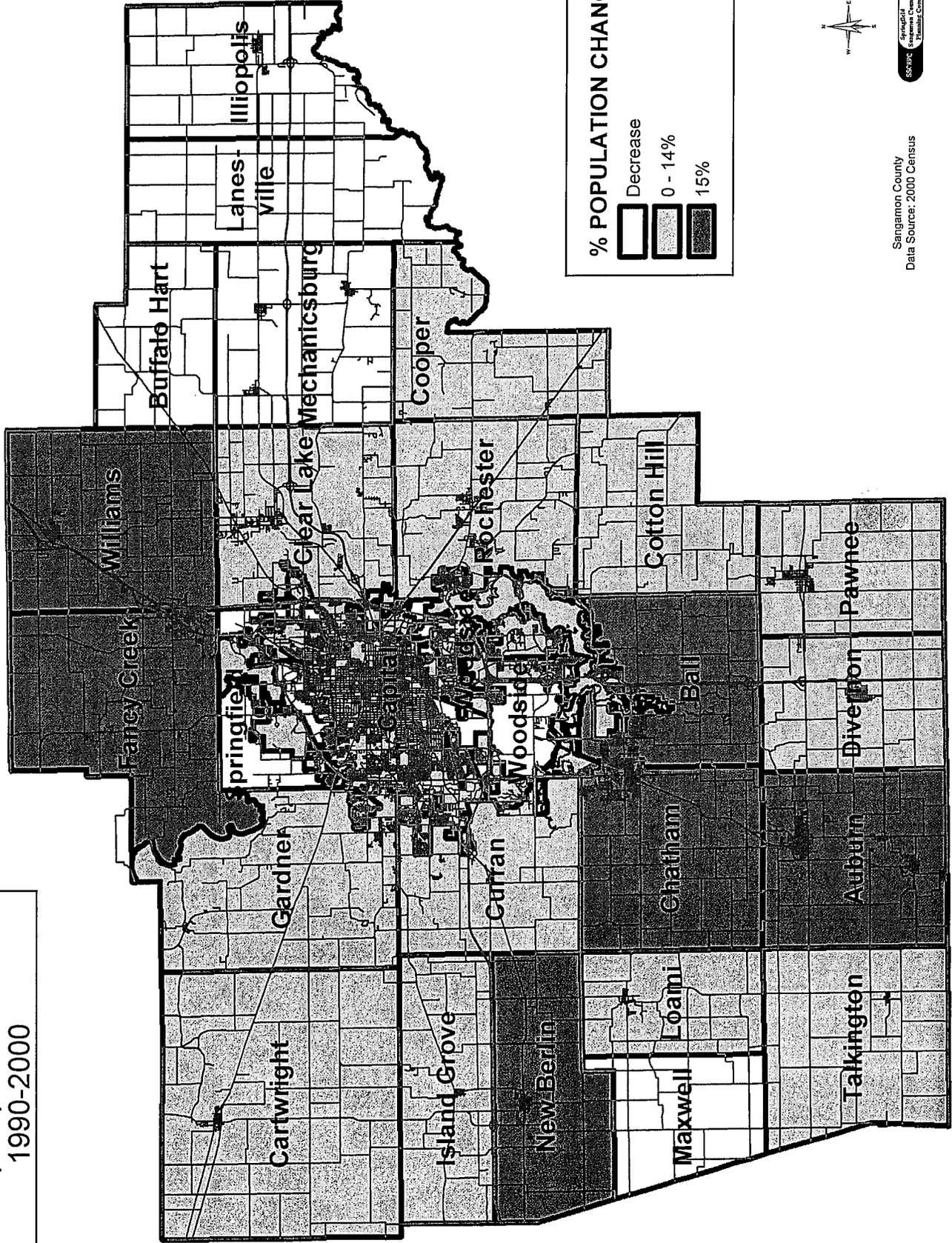
	Total Population		# Change 1990-2000	% Change 1990-2000
	1990	2000		
Auburn Township	5,208	6,020	812	15.6%
Ball Township	3,475	4,573	1,098	31.6%
Buffalo Hart Township	226	195	-31	-13.7%
Capital Township	104,126	111,471	7,345	7.1%
Cartwright Township	1,381	1,507	126	9.1%
Chatham Township	4,961	6,019	1,058	21.3%
Clear Lake Township	7,780	8,155	375	4.8%
Cooper Township	771	820	49	6.4%
Cotton Hill Township	954	1,065	111	11.6%
Curran Township	1,505	1,678	173	11.5%
Divernon Township	1,484	1,548	64	4.3%
Fancy Creek Township	3,293	4,145	852	25.9%
Gardner Township	3,870	4,250	380	9.8%
Illiopolis Township	1,366	1,302	-64	-4.7%
Island Grove Township	494	532	38	7.7%
Lanesville Township	225	199	-26	-11.6%
Loami Township	1,071	1,118	47	4.4%
Maxwell Township	215	194	-21	-9.8%
Mechanicsburg Township	2,261	2,116	-145	-6.4%
New Berlin Township	990	1,262	272	27.5%
Pawnee Township	2,775	2,948	173	6.2%
Rochester Township	4,432	4,486	54	1.2%
Springfield Township	7,857	7,046	-811	-10.3%
Talkington Township	257	263	6	2.3%
Williams Township	2,797	3,310	513	18.3%
Woodside Township	14,612	12,729	-1,883	-12.9%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>178,386</b>	<b>188,951</b>	<b>10,565</b>	<b>5.9%</b>

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Source: 2000 U.S. Census

Figure 2

Township Population Growth  
1990-2000



**% POPULATION CHANGE**

- Decrease
- 0 - 14%
- 15%



Sangamon County  
Data Source: 2000 Census

Table 4

**POPULATION**  
**Incorporated Areas**  
**Sangamon County**  
**2000**

	Total Population		Change 1990-2000	% Change 1990-2000
	1990	2000		
Auburn	3,724	4,317	593	15.9%
Berlin	180	140	-40	-22.2%
Buffalo	503	491	-12	-2.4%
Cantrall	123	139	16	13.0%
Chatham	6,074	8,583	2,509	41.3%
Clear Lake	193	267	74	38.3%
Dawson	536	466	-70	-13.1%
Divernon	1,178	1,201	23	2.0%
Grandview	1,647	1,537	-110	-6.7%
Illioopolis	934	916	-18	-1.9%
Jerome	1,206	1,414	208	17.2%
Leland Grove	1,679	1,592	-87	-5.2%
Loami	802	804	2	0.2%
Mechanicsburg	538	456	-82	-15.2%
New Berlin	797	1,030	233	29.2%
Pawnee	2,384	2,647	263	11.0%
Pleasant Plains	701	777	76	10.8%
Riverton	2,638	3,048	410	15.5%
Rochester	2,676	2,893	217	8.1%
Sherman	2,080	2,871	791	38.0%
Southern View	1,906	1,695	-211	-11.1%
Spaulding	440	559	119	27.0%
Springfield	105,227	111,454	6,227	5.9%
Thayer	730	750	20	2.7%
Virden (part)	21	110	89	423.8%
Williamsville	1,140	1,439	299	26.2%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>140,057</b>	<b>151,596</b>	<b>11,539</b>	<b>8.2%</b>

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**Population Distribution.** For the first time since 1970, the Springfield Urbanized Area (City of Springfield and Springfield and Woodside Townships) increased substantially in population.

Population increases in the city between 1970-1990 were mainly due to population shifts from unincorporated to incorporated areas. The city's annexation policies and a high household formation rate of baby boomers contributed to this situation.

**Table 5**

**POPULATION COMPARISON  
Springfield Urbanized Area**

	Urbanized Area		City of Springfield	
	#	% Increase	#	% Increase
<b>1970</b>	125,340		91,753	
<b>1980</b>	126,150	0.6%	99,637	8.6%
<b>1990</b>	126,595	0.4%	105,227	5.6%
<b>2000</b>	131,229	3.7%	111,454	5.9%

Population increased in almost all rural census tracts and in census tracts on the edges of Springfield. Not unexpectedly, population increases coincided with housing unit increases. The largest numerical increases were in tracts 36.04 and 30 with a 2,713 and 2,050 population increase respectively. Tracts 36.03 and 36.04 had the largest growth rates.

Decreases in population generally occurred in tracts which are fully developed. Smaller population decreases (0-13% decrease) are due to smaller household size. Tracts with the greatest loss in population are located in central and north Springfield. Housing unit loss associated with land use changes in addition to smaller households contributed to population decreases in these areas. (Table 6). (Figure 3).

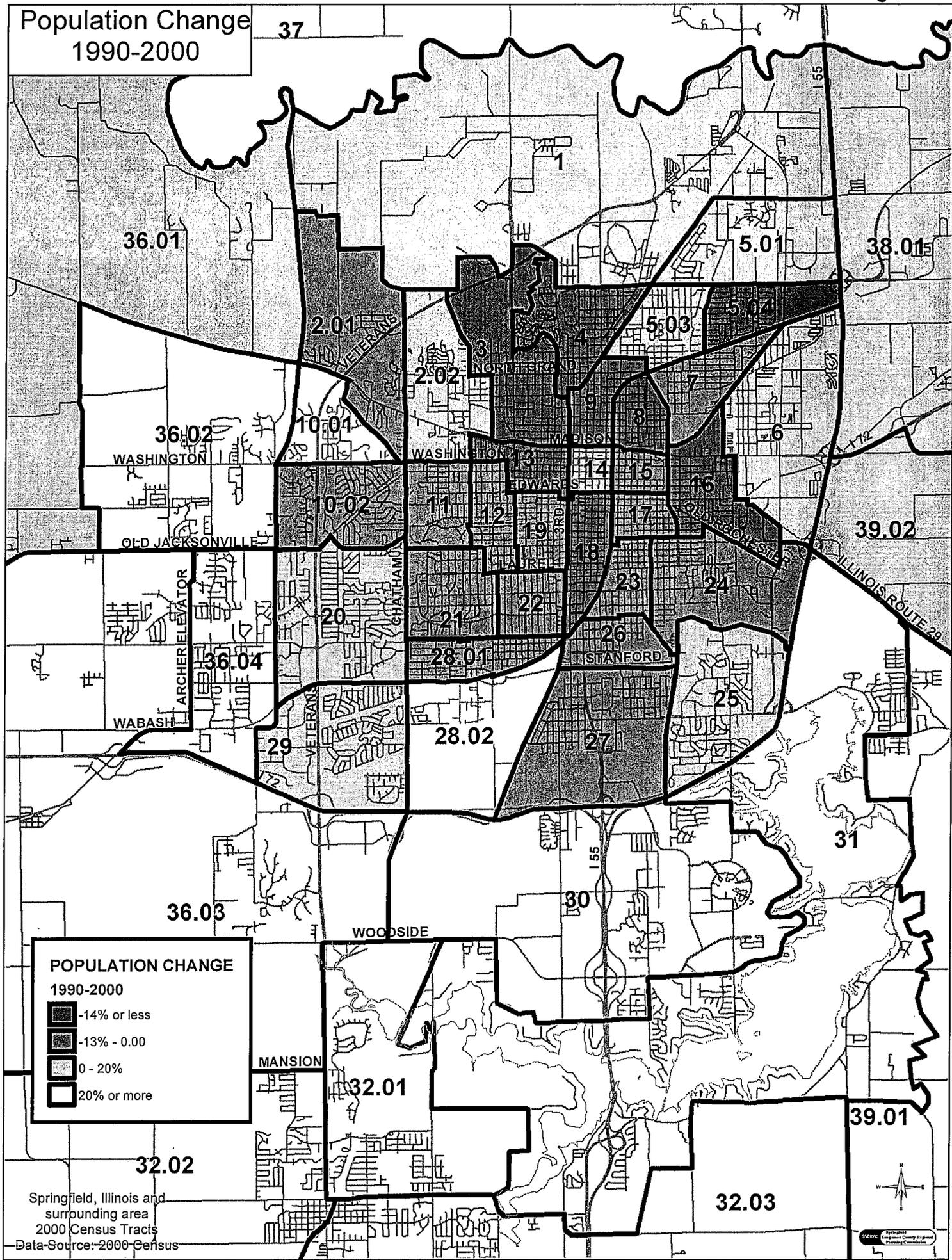
Table 6

**POPULATION CHANGE**  
**Sangamon County**

Census Tract	1990	2000	# Change 1990-2000	% Change 1990-2000
1	4,251	4,270	19	0.45%
2.01	2,555	2,474	-81	-3.17%
2.02	4,152	4,176	24	0.58%
3	4,017	3,374	-643	-16.01%
4	3,583	3,065	-518	-14.46%
5.01	2,050	2,420	370	18.05%
5.03	3,863	4,061	198	5.13%
5.04	3,981	3,258	-723	-18.16%
6	5,943	6,001	58	0.98%
7	2,422	2,290	-132	-5.45%
8	2,741	1,715	-1,026	-37.43%
9	3,089	2,388	-701	-22.69%
10.01	1,994	2,467	473	23.72%
10.02	6,827	6,380	-447	-6.55%
11	2,710	2,486	-224	-8.27%
12	3,905	3,630	-275	-7.04%
13	2,246	1,929	-317	-14.11%
14	911	928	17	1.87%
15	1,169	1,071	-98	-8.38%
16	4,203	3,314	-889	-21.15%
17	2,003	1,818	-185	-9.24%
18	2,773	2,286	-487	-17.56%
19	3,939	3,596	-343	-8.71%
20	5,103	5,925	822	16.11%
21	3,882	3,679	-203	-5.23%
22	3,742	3,451	-291	-7.78%
23	3,061	2,681	-380	-12.41%
24	4,238	3,892	-346	-8.16%
25	4,628	4,982	354	7.65%
26	3,102	2,804	-298	-9.61%
27	4,173	3,718	-455	-10.90%
28.01	3,500	3,480	-20	-0.57%
28.02	2,487	3,213	726	29.19%
29	4,812	5,058	246	5.11%
30	3,281	5,331	2,050	62.48%
31	4,588	5,733	1,145	24.96%
32.01	1,873	2,529	656	35.02%
32.02	2,641	3,251	610	23.10%
32.03	3,133	4,764	1,631	52.06%
33	4,634	4,944	310	6.69%
34	5,171	5,975	804	15.55%
35	4,400	4,881	481	10.93%
36.01	2,264	2,580	316	13.96%
36.02	2,569	3,443	874	34.02%
36.03	1,208	3,206	1,998	165.40%
36.04	580	3,293	2,713	467.76%
37	5,688	7,009	1,321	23.22%
38.01	2,750	2,899	149	5.42%
38.02	4,765	5,232	467	9.80%
39.01	2,796	3,611	815	29.15%
39.02	3,595	3,853	258	7.18%
40	4,395	4,137	-258	-5.87%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>178,386</b>	<b>188,951</b>	<b>10,565</b>	<b>5.92%</b>

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Figure 3



**Age**

Census data indicate that the population is getting older. The median age has been increasing since 1970 with a substantial increase between 1980-1990 and again from 1990-2000. Median age in Sangamon County increased over 3 years, from 34.2 to 37.3 years, between 1990 and 2000. (Table 7). The City of Springfield has a slightly lower median age than Sangamon County.

Median age has been significantly influenced by the aging of the baby boomers (age cohort 35-54 years in 2000) beyond the median age. (Table 8). Baby boomers were 5-24 years of age in 1970, represented by the under 18 age group. This age group decreased 13% since 1970 while the 35-54 group (current baby boomers) increased by 62%.

**Table 7**

<b>MEDIAN AGE</b>			
	<b>Illinois</b>	<b>Sangamon County</b>	<b>Springfield</b>
<b>1970</b>	28.6	30.3	31.4
<b>1980</b>	29.9	30.8	31
<b>1990</b>	32.8	34.2	34
<b>2000</b>	34.7	37.3	36.9

**Table 8**

**COMPARISON OF SELECTED AGE GROUPS  
Sangamon County**

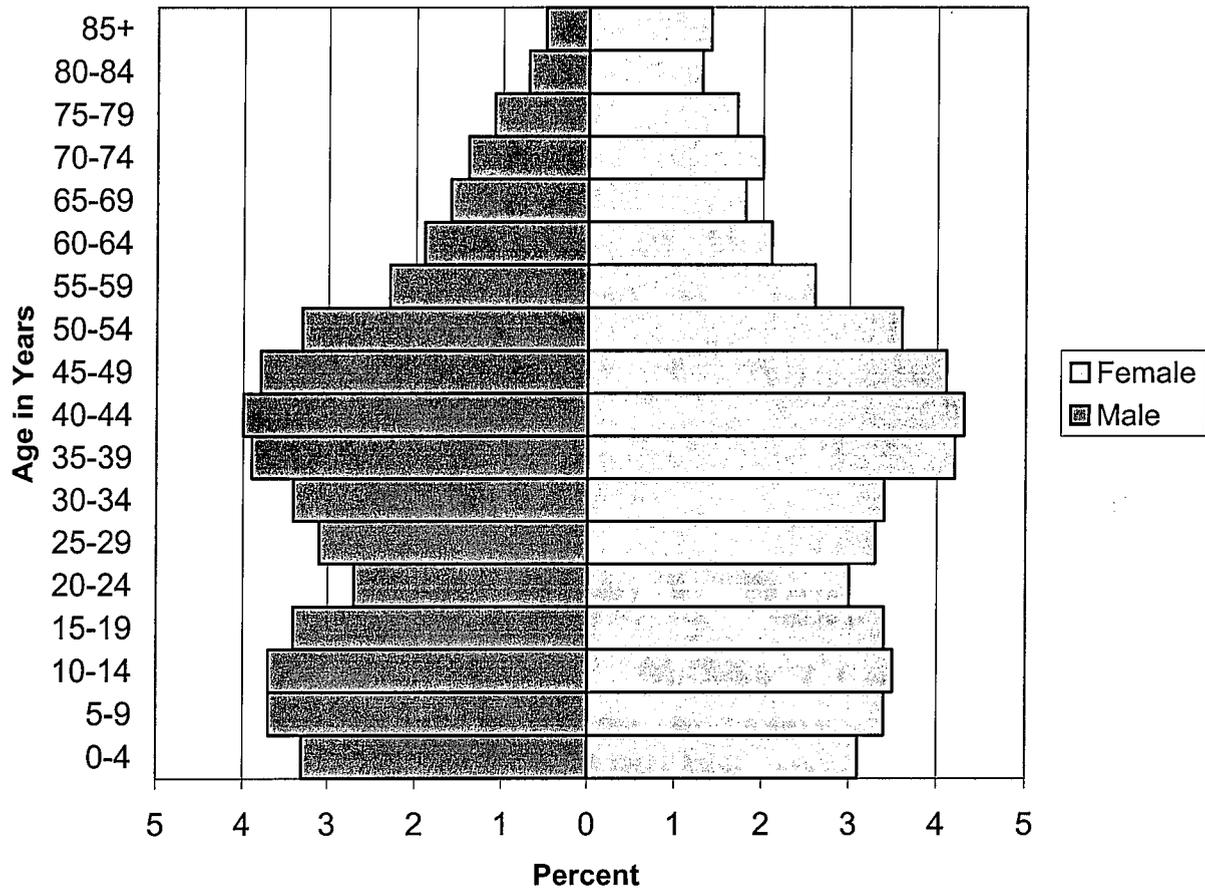
	<b>1970</b>	<b>1980</b>	<b>% Change</b>	<b>1990</b>	<b>% Change</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>% Change</b>	<b>% Change</b>
	<b>#</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>1970-1980</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>1980-1990</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>1990-2000</b>	<b>1970-2000</b>
<b>Under 18 Years</b>	54,320	48,356	-11%	45,551	-6%	47,147	4%	-13%
<b>35-54 Years</b>	36,570	36,967	1%	46,893	27%	59,066	26%	62%
<b>65+ Years</b>	18,818	22,037	17%	24,450	11%	25,524	4%	36%
<b>TOTAL</b>	161,335	176,089	9%	178,386	1%	188,951	6%	17%

**DISTRIBUTION OF SELECTED AGE GROUPS  
% of Total Population  
Sangamon County**

	<b>Under 18</b>	<b>35-54</b>	<b>65+</b>
<b>1970</b>	34%	23%	12%
<b>1980</b>	27%	21%	13%
<b>1990</b>	26%	26%	14%
<b>2000</b>	25%	31%	13%

The population pyramid (Figure 4) shows a typical 2000 age structure. The “bulge” from ages 35-54 is the baby boom.

Figure 4



Median age varies by geographic area. Census tract 20 has a median age of 48.2 years, while the median age in tract 16 is 26.3 years. (Table 9). (Figure 5).

Table 9

**MEDIAN AGE**  
**Sangamon County**  
**2000**

Census Tract	Total	Male	Female
1	39.2	38.6	39.7
2.01	41.1	38.8	43.4
2.02	32.6	30.1	35.1
3	38.0	34.6	41.4
4	36.9	35.3	38.9
5.01	40.5	39.0	42.1
5.03	37.5	36.7	38.2
5.04	35.6	34.8	36.5
6	37.1	34.7	39.5
7	36.7	35.0	39.1
8	30.7	30.9	30.5
9	37.5	36.7	38.0
10.01	42.4	39.7	44.2
10.02	43.3	38.8	47.0
11	42.2	37.2	46.3
12	34.0	33.7	34.3
13	36.3	35.7	37.0
14	40.5	36.1	56.3
15	44.8	42.2	47.2
16	26.3	23.4	27.3
17	27.6	23.0	31.5
18	33.3	32.9	33.8
19	33.3	32.0	35.2
20	48.2	46.8	49.3
21	42.4	40.7	43.8
22	37.1	35.3	38.6
23	31.4	28.9	33.1
24	30.1	26.8	32.3
25	36.1	34.9	37.3
26	35.7	34.6	37.3
27	39.0	37.3	40.5
28.01	35.7	33.8	37.6
28.02	28.1	27.5	28.7
29	41.6	39.2	43.3
30	34.2	33.0	35.5
31	42.3	42.2	42.4
32.01	35.9	34.8	36.7
32.02	36.3	35.2	36.9
32.03	35.8	35.1	36.5
33	36.4	35.9	36.8
34	33.2	32.3	34.2
35	37.6	37.2	38.1
36.01	40.4	40.3	40.4
36.02	42.2	41.5	42.8
36.03	37.9	38.1	37.8
36.04	36.1	36.4	35.7
37	38.4	37.2	39.4
38.01	37.3	36.2	38.5
38.02	37.0	35.6	37.7
39.01	39.4	39.6	39.3
39.02	40.2	39.2	41.1
40	37.8	37.4	38.1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>37.3</b>	<b>35.8</b>	<b>38.6</b>

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Age is related to other demographic characteristics. Race appears to be a major factor. The median age of the black population is 12.4 years less than for the white population – 26.4 years compared to 38.8 years. Females are older than males for all racial groups. The Asian group has the smallest sex difference between median ages at 1.4 years and blacks, at 3.7 years, have

Table 10

**MEDIAN AGE BY RACE  
Sangamon County  
2000**

Race	Total	Male	Female
White	38.8	37.3	40.1
American Indian	34.4	32.5	35.7
Asian	31.9	31.4	32.8
Black	26.4	24.3	28.0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>37.3</b>	<b>35.8</b>	<b>38.6</b>

the greatest differential. (The Hawaiian group is too small to compare accurately and was omitted). (Table 10).

**Under Age 18.** The number of persons under age 18 increased since 1990 in Illinois, Sangamon County and Springfield. However, in the city and county the proportion of the population in this age cohort decreased slightly. (Table 11).

Census tracts with 30% or more of the population under 18 years of age are located on Springfield's east side and south of Lake Springfield in the Chatham area. (Table 12). (Figure 6).

**AGE  
1990-2000**

	Illinois						Sangamon County						City of Springfield					
	2000		1990		Change 1990-2000		2000		1990		Change 1990-2000		2000		1990		Change 1990-2000	
	#	%	#	%	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
TOTAL	12,388,714		11,430,602		8.4%	188,537		178,386				111,225		105,227				
under 5 years	876,549	7.1%	848,141	7.4%	3.3%	12,110	6.4%	12,840	7.2%	-5.7%	7,341	6.6%	7,765	7.4%	-5.5%			
5 to 14 years	1,834,955	14.8%	1,633,087	14.3%	12.4%	26,773	14.2%	25,885	14.5%	3.4%	14,882	13.4%	14,128	13.4%	5.3%			
15 to 19 years	894,002	7.2%	818,001	7.2%	9.3%	12,719	6.7%	11,252	6.3%	13.0%	7,099	6.4%	6,229	5.9%	14.0%			
20 to 29 years	1,742,602	14.0%	1,844,177	16.1%	-5.5%	22,959	12.2%	26,007	14.6%	-11.7%	15,226	13.7%	16,969	16.1%	-10.3%			
30 to 34 years	919,915	7.4%	1,009,095	8.8%	-8.8%	12,920	6.8%	15,625	8.8%	-17.3%	7,868	7.1%	9,439	9.0%	-16.6%			
35 to 44 years	1,983,870	16.0%	1,700,144	14.9%	16.7%	31,105	16.5%	28,506	16.0%	9.1%	17,316	15.5%	16,174	15.4%	7.1%			
45 to 54 years	1,626,742	13.1%	1,166,727	10.2%	39.4%	27,961	14.8%	18,387	10.3%	52.1%	16,011	14.4%	9,899	9.4%	61.7%			
55 to 64 years	1,040,633	8.4%	974,685	8.5%	6.8%	16,880	8.9%	15,434	8.7%	9.4%	9,615	8.6%	8,992	8.5%	6.9%			
65 to 74 years	741,668	6.0%	821,940	7.2%	-9.8%	12,503	6.6%	13,299	7.5%	-6.0%	7,592	6.8%	8,171	7.8%	-7.1%			
75 to 84 years	535,747	4.3%	467,056	4.1%	14.7%	9,132	4.8%	8,473	4.7%	7.8%	5,896	5.3%	5,583	5.3%	5.6%			
85 years and over	192,031	1.5%	147,549	1.3%	30.1%	3,475	1.8%	2,678	1.5%	29.8%	2,379	2.1%	1,878	1.8%	26.7%			
under 18 years	3,245,451	26.1%	2,946,366	25.8%	10.2%	47,147	25.0%	45,551	25.5%	3.5%	26,710	24.0%	25,569	24.3%	4.5%			
under 21 years	3,784,838	30.5%	3,478,337	30.4%	8.8%	53,651	28.4%	52,007	29.2%	3.2%	30,595	27.5%	29,354	27.9%	4.2%			
60 years and over	1,932,332	15.6%	1,925,649	16.8%	0.3%	32,742	17.3%	32,249	18.1%	1.5%	20,212	18.1%	20,278	19.3%	-0.3%			
65 years and over	1,469,446	11.8%	1,436,545	12.6%	2.3%	25,110	13.3%	24,450	13.7%	2.7%	15,867	14.2%	15,632	14.9%	1.5%			

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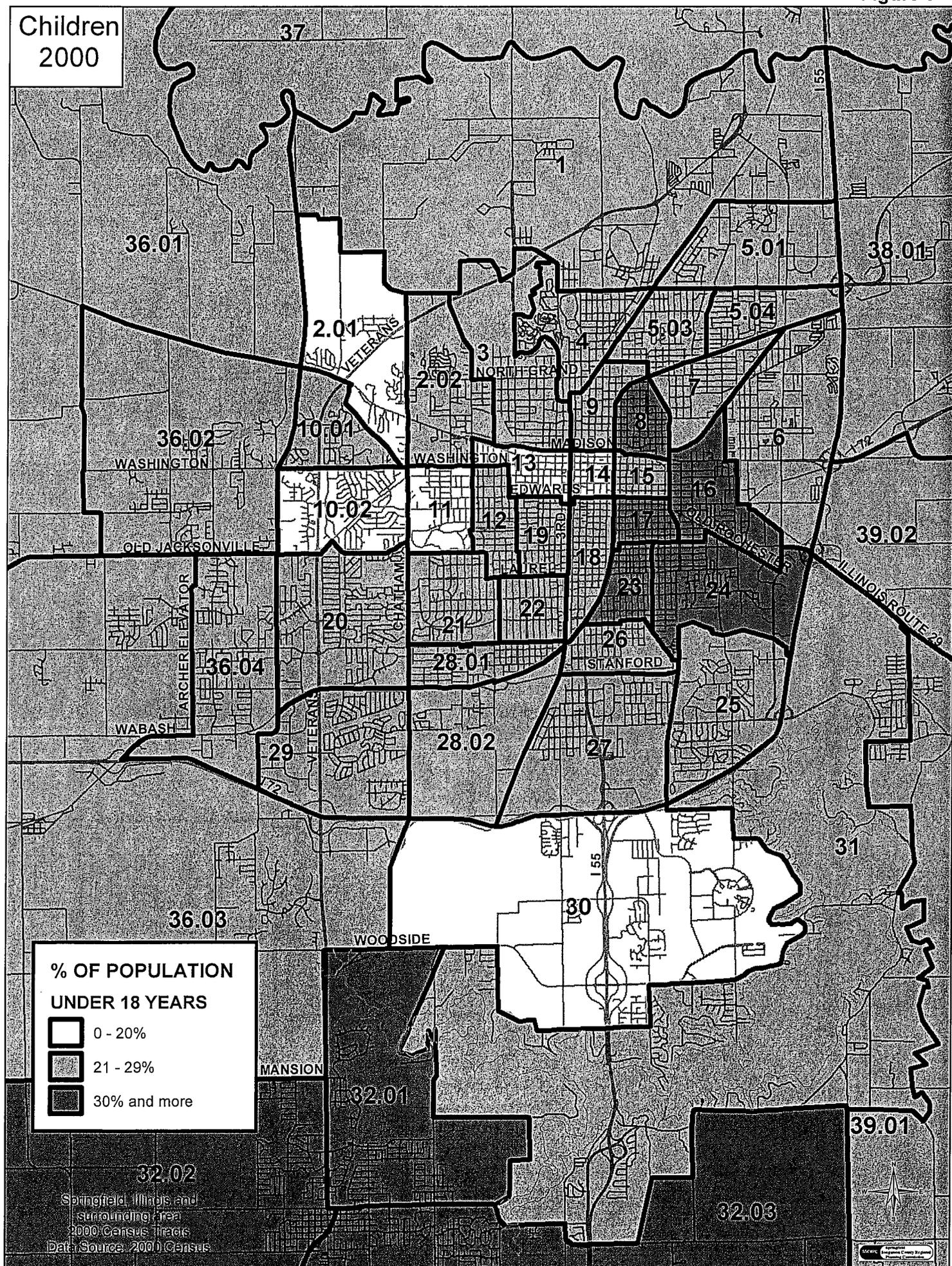
**UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE (%)**  
**Sangamon County**  
**1970-2000**

Census Tract	1970	1980	1990	2000
1	32	27	25	23
2	38	25	23	**
2.01	**	**	**	20
2.02	**	**	**	24
3	26	19	20	21
4	29	23	23	22
5	40	33	**	**
5.01	**	**	27	24
5.02	**	**	27	**
5.03	**	**	**	24
5.04	**	**	**	27
6	36	27	24	23
7	41	28	24	24
8	41	38	40	34
9	22	18	24	25
10	35	21	19	**
10.01	**	**	**	24
10.02	**	**	**	16
11	27	20	20	18
12	27	21	23	22
13	16	13	15	16
14	5	6	6	4
15	33	33	23	22
16	36	35	37	38
17	33	33	33	38
18	17	15	19	22
19	25	17	20	22
20	44	33	28	21
21	31	24	22	22
22	29	22	23	22
23	31	26	30	32
24	40	34	32	35
25	42	26	21	25
26	29	21	23	21
27	35	23	20	21
28	33	22	20	**
28.01	**	**	**	23
28.02	**	**	**	21
29	42	30	24	22
30	39	30	23	20
31	35	29	26	26
32	41	37	32	**
32.01	**	**	**	30
32.02	**	**	**	30
32.03	**	**	**	31
33	36	31	28	27
34	35	32	30	30
35	35	30	28	27
36	39	32	28	**
36.01	**	**	**	27
36.02	**	**	**	27
36.03	**	**	**	29
36.04	**	**	**	26
37	40	33	29	27
38	34	31	28	**
38.01	**	**	**	25
38.02	**	**	**	27
39	39	33	31	**
39.01	**	**	**	28
39.02	**	**	**	27
40	38	32	29	26
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>25</b>

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Figure 6

Children  
2000



**Baby Boom.** The baby boom generation was born between 1946 and 1965 in a time of high fertility rates and rising levels of births. The baby boomers, age 35-54 in 2000, make up 31% of Sangamon County's population. One of the effects of the baby boomers is seen in continued strength in the move-up housing market. Baby boomers in their 40's and 50's have more income than younger age groups.

In Sangamon County, the baby boom ranges from a low of 24% of tract 15 and 16's population to a high of 39% in tract 39.01. The lower percentage of baby boomers are in census tracts associated with lower income, lower education, higher minority population and more children than the average. Census tracts which have 34% or more of the population age 35-54 are located in affluent and rural areas on the outer boundaries of the city. (Table 13). (Figure 7).

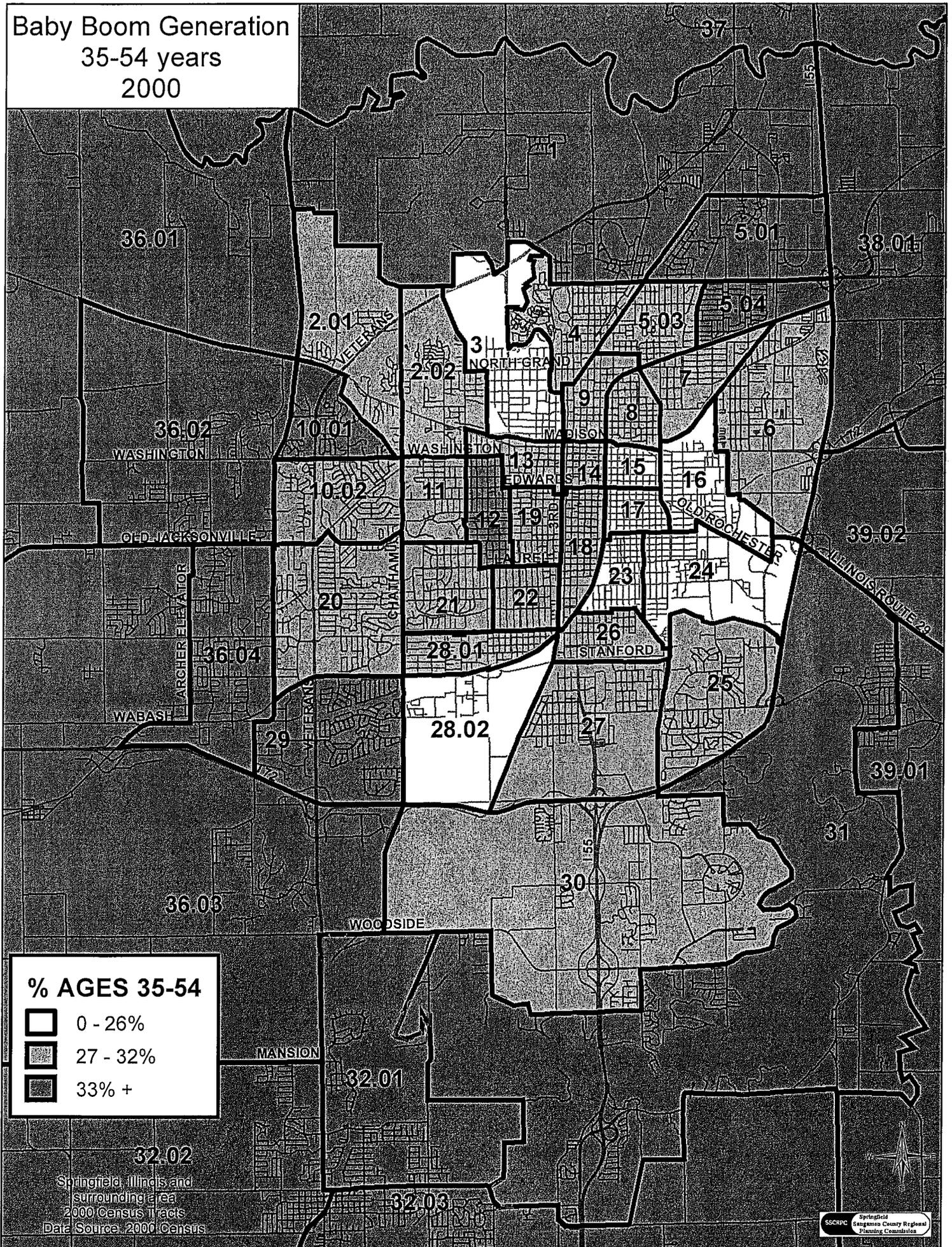
**BABY BOOM GENERATION  
35-54 Years of Age  
Sangamon County  
2000**

Census Tract	Total Population	35 to 54 years	% 35 to 54 years
1	4,270	1,415	33.1%
2.01	2,474	720	29.1%
2.02	4,176	1,160	27.8%
3	3,374	861	25.5%
4	3,065	931	30.4%
5.01	2,420	776	32.1%
5.03	4,061	1,159	28.5%
5.04	3,258	1,066	32.7%
6	6,001	1,653	27.5%
7	2,290	619	27.0%
8	1,715	463	27.0%
9	2,388	697	29.2%
10.01	2,467	818	33.2%
10.02	6,380	1,749	27.4%
11	2,486	707	28.4%
12	3,630	1,167	32.1%
13	1,929	609	31.6%
14	928	289	31.1%
15	1,071	255	23.8%
16	3,314	781	23.6%
17	1,818	447	24.6%
18	2,286	701	30.7%
19	3,596	1,069	29.7%
20	5,925	1,866	31.5%
21	3,679	1,154	31.4%
22	3,451	1,064	30.8%
23	2,681	696	26.0%
24	3,892	954	24.5%
25	4,982	1,431	28.7%
26	2,804	842	30.0%
27	3,718	1,101	29.6%
28.01	3,480	926	26.6%
28.02	3,213	795	24.7%
29	5,058	1,658	32.8%
30	5,331	1,586	29.8%
31	5,733	2,114	36.9%
32.01	2,529	882	34.9%
32.02	3,251	1,207	37.1%
32.03	4,764	1,777	37.3%
33	4,944	1,570	31.8%
34	5,975	1,721	28.8%
35	4,881	1,608	32.9%
36.01	2,580	965	37.4%
36.02	3,443	1,227	35.6%
36.03	3,206	1,226	38.2%
36.04	3,293	1,200	36.4%
37	7,009	2,420	34.5%
38.01	2,899	987	34.0%
38.02	5,232	1,747	33.4%
39.01	3,611	1,408	39.0%
39.02	3,853	1,446	37.5%
40	4,137	1,376	33.3%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>188,951</b>	<b>59,066</b>	<b>31.3%</b>

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Figure 7

# Baby Boom Generation 35-54 years 2000



**Age 65 and Above.** The number of persons 65 and over has increased since 1990 in the state, county and city. However, the proportion of the population in this age group has decreased indicating that the growth rate for this cohort was less than for the total population. Older persons comprise 13.5% of the population in Sangamon County and 14.4% in the City of Springfield in 2000. (Table 11). The growth rate for this age group was 4.4% in Sangamon County compared to 6% for the total population. In Springfield the 65 and over age group increased 3% compared to the city overall growth rate of 6%.

In Sangamon County and Springfield the number of people 65-74 years old actually decreased. This could reflect the lower birth rate during the depression in which part of this cohort was born. The number of people in Sangamon County the 75-84 year group increased 8%. The number of persons 85 years and over increased 30% in the last decade. (Table 11).

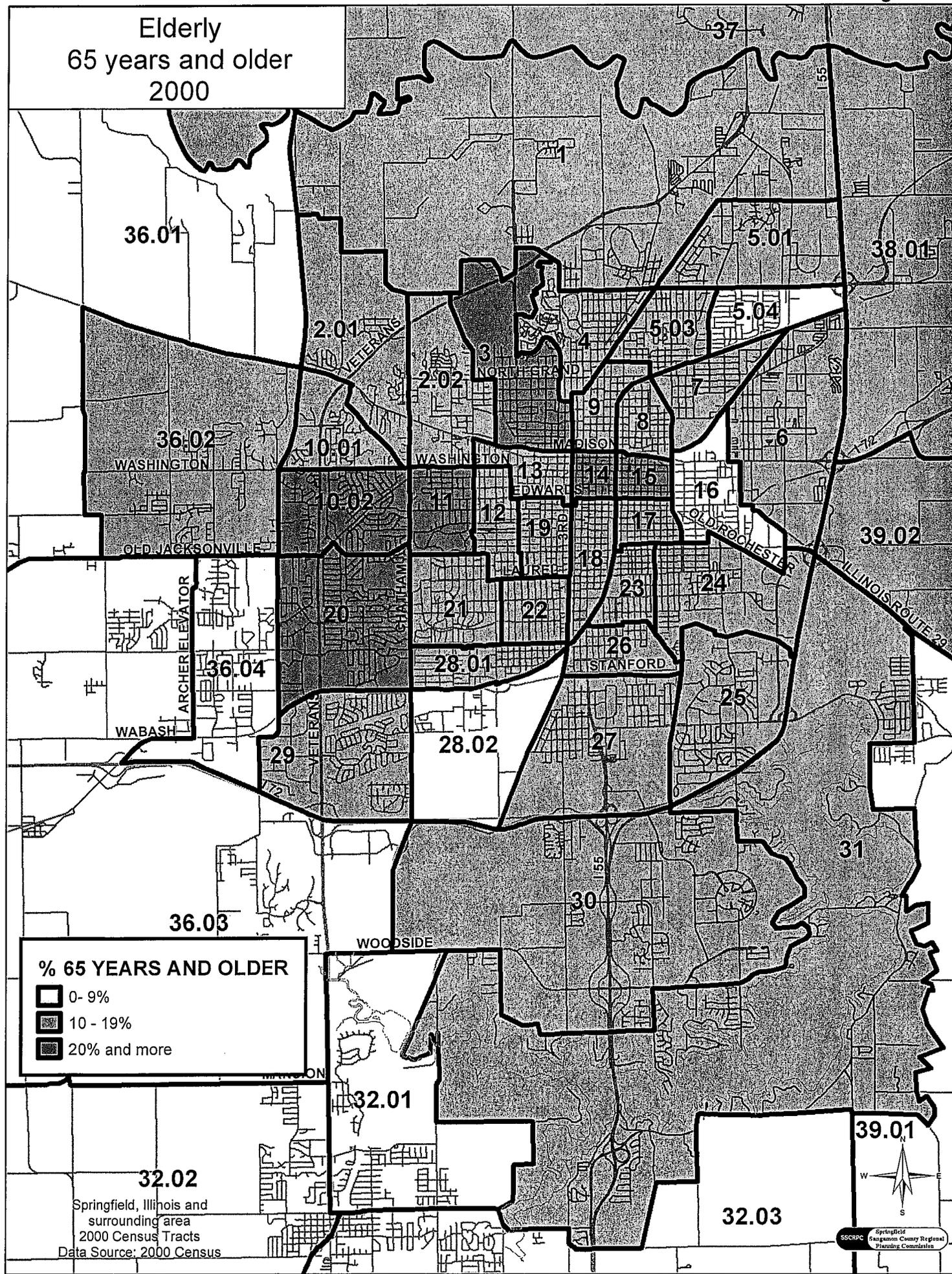
Census tracts with concentrations of older persons are scattered in the Springfield area. There are five tracts in which more than one in five persons is 65 or older. Tract 15, with 27% of the population over 65, has the highest proportion of elderly. The lowest proportion of older persons is found in new growth areas surrounding Springfield. Many of these areas have less than 10% of the population 65 years and over. (Table 14). (Figure 8).

**AGE**  
**65 Years and Over**  
**Sangamon County**  
**2000**

Census Tract	1980	1990	2000	# Change 1990-2000	% Change 1990-2000	% of Tract 2000
1	392	471	596	125	26.5	14
2	645	805	**	122	15.2	**
2.01	**	**	438	**	**	18
2.02	**	**	489	**	**	12
3	1,103	962	741	-221	-23.0	22
4	783	716	494	-222	-31.0	16
5	742	**	**	**	**	**
5.01	**	230	346	116	50.4%	14
5.02	**	895	**	79	8.8%	**
5.03	**	**	708	**	**	17
5.04	**	**	266	**	**	8
6	697	872	941	69	7.9	16
7	247	384	371	-13	-3.4	16
8	391	289	183	-106	-36.7	11
9	840	619	403	-216	-34.9	17
10	1,085	1,675	**	176	10.5	**
10.01	**	**	401	**	**	16
10.02	**	**	1,450	**	**	23
11	587	707	585	-122	-17.3	24
12	657	467	348	-119	-25.5	10
13	593	399	252	-147	-36.8	13
14	101	246	186	-60	-24.4	20
15	246	344	285	-59	-17.2	27
16	428	418	294	-124	-29.7	9
17	350	270	181	-89	-33.0	10
18	815	484	247	-237	-49.0	11
19	830	698	405	-293	-42.0	11
20	306	589	1,438	849	144.1	24
21	767	710	648	-62	-8.7	18
22	765	690	520	-170	-24.6	15
23	525	468	300	-168	-35.9	11
24	486	486	424	-62	-12.8	11
25	359	655	774	119	18.2	16
26	666	572	394	-178	-31.1	14
27	635	812	678	-134	-16.5	18
28	722	855	**	-62	-7.3	**
28.01	**	**	587	**	**	17
28.02	**	**	206	**	**	6
29	272	575	834	259	45.0	16
30	75	179	568	389	217.3	11
31	390	493	687	194	39.4	12
32	332	467	**	319	68.3	**
32.01	**	**	211	**	**	8
32.02	**	**	279	**	**	9
32.03	**	**	296	**	**	6
33	532	559	554	-5	-0.9	11
34	656	689	690	1	0.1	12
35	566	574	589	15	2.6	12
36	518	698	**	631	90.4	**
36.01	**	**	244	**	**	9
36.02	**	**	564	**	**	16
36.03	**	**	247	**	**	8
36.04	**	**	274	**	**	8
37	366	610	902	292	47.9	13
38	740	869	**	-6	-0.7	**
38.01	**	**	335	**	**	12
38.02	**	**	528	**	**	10
39	387	464	**	232	50.0	**
39.01	**	**	323	**	**	9
39.02	**	**	373	**	**	10
40	440	483	447	-36	-7.5	11
TOTAL	22,037	24,448	25,524	1,076	4.4	14

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Figure 8



## Townships

An examination of townships shows the highest percent of those under age 18 are in Ball and Cartwright Townships where 30% of the population is in this category compared to 25% for the county. The lowest percentage of children is found in Buffalo Hart Township at 16%. Interestingly, 31% of this township's population were children in 1990.

The highest percent of the elderly age 65 and over is located in Buffalo Hart Township at 18% compared to 14% in the county. The lowest rate is in Ball Township where the elderly comprise only 7% of its population.

The highest median age is in Buffalo Hart Township – 46.5. The lowest median age is 33.3 years in Auburn Township. (Table 15).

**Table 15**

**SELECTED AGE GROUPS  
% OF TOWNSHIP POPULATION  
Sangamon County  
2000**

Township	% Under 18 Years	% 65 Years and Over	Median Age
Auburn	30	12	33.3
Ball	30	7	37.0
Buffalo Hart	16	18	46.5
Capital	24	16	36.9
Cartwright	30	11	37.2
Chatham	31	9	35.3
Clear Lake	26	11	38.2
Cooper	25	8	39.6
Cotton Hill	27	8	38.1
Curran	26	10	40.0
Divernon	26	11	36.6
Fancy Creek	26	14	39.8
Gardner	26	10	39.7
Illiopolis	26	12	37.5
Island Grove	21	16	41.9
Lanesville	29	10	35.3
Loami	26	9	36.8
Maxwell	27	11	39.5
Mechanicsburg	26	11	37.6
New Berlin	26	14	37.1
Pawnee	28	11	35.8
Rochester	27	11	40.6
Springfield	24	15	37.4
Talkington	27	13	35.8
Williams	29	11	37.3
Woodside	22	18	40.1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>37.3</b>

**Race**

**Composition.** In 2000 the white population was the largest racial group comprising 87% of Sangamon County's population and 81% of Springfield's population. Blacks are the largest minority group making up 10% of the county population and 15% of the city population. The next largest group, Asian, accounts for approximately 1% of the county and city population. American Indians are a very small group at 0.2%. Native Hawaiians and Other Pacific Islander is a new racial category in the 2000 Census separated from Asian. It is very small in this area and is sometimes omitted from tables. The "other" category is made up of persons whose race could not be determined from the Census questionnaire. About 1%-1.5% of the population said they were of two or more racial groups. (Table 16).

**Table 16**

**RACIAL COMPOSITION OF POPULATION  
2000**

RACIAL DESIGNATION	Sangamon County		Springfield	
	#	%	#	%
One Race	186,557	98.7	109,793	98.5
White	165,179	87.4	90,287	81.0
Black or African American	18,237	9.7	17,096	15.3
American Indian and Alaskan Native	397	0.2	231	0.2
Asian	2,082	1.1	1,620	1.5
Asian Indian	690	0.4	579	0.5
Chinese	432	0.2	336	0.3
Filipino	232	0.1	171	0.2
Japanese	84	0.0	47	0.0
Korean	211	0.1	165	0.1
Vietnamese	148	0.1	114	0.1
Other Asian	285	0.2	208	0.2
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	53	0.0	34	0.0
Native Hawaiian	12	0.0	7	0.0
Guamanian or Chamorro	10	0.0	4	0.0
Samoan	16	0.0	14	0.0
Other Pacific Islander	15	0.0	9	0.0
Some other race	709	0.4	525	0.5
Two or more races	2,294	1.2	1,661	1.5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>188,951</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>111,454</b>	<b>100.0</b>

## PERSONS OF HISPANIC ORIGIN

	Sangamon County	Springfield
<b>1990</b>	1,274	870
<b>2000</b>	2,000	1,337
<b># Change</b>	726	467
<b>% Change</b>	57%	54%

## 2000

Hispanic Origin	Sangamon County		Springfield	
	#	% of Total Population	#	% of Total Population
Mexican	948	0.5	630	0.6
Puerto Rican	237	0.1	172	0.2
Cuban	77	*	54	*
Other Hispanic	738	0.3	481	0.4
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>1.1</b>	<b>1,337</b>	<b>1.2</b>

\* Less than 0.1%

Although not a racial category, "persons of Hispanic origin" is of interest as a population subgroup, especially since it is one of the fastest growing subgroups in the country. In Sangamon County, there was a 57% increase in the number of persons of Hispanic origin and in Springfield, a 54% increase between 1990-2000. However, in both geographic locations, "persons of Hispanic origin" constituted only slightly more than 1% of the total population (Table 17). This percent is significantly lower than the 12% distribution of persons of Hispanic origin in the State of Illinois.

Racial diversity increased in Sangamon County in the past decade. All non-white racial groups increased in Springfield and Sangamon County between 1990-2000 at a rate faster than the total population. Numerically, blacks increased the most with a 3,873 person increase. Proportionally, Asian and Hawaiian grew the fastest. (Table 18).

The white population increased by 3,166 people in Sangamon County from 1990-2000. However, the proportion of whites decreased from 90.8% to 87.4%. In the City of Springfield the white population increased 218 people or 0.2%. Other racial groups increased at faster rates and the proportion of whites in the total population decreased from 85.6% to 81.0% in the 10 year period. (Table 18).

Table 18

## RACIAL COMPOSITION

### Sangamon County

Racial Designation	1990		2000		# Change 1990-2000	% Change 1990-2000
	Pop.	% Dist.	Pop.	% Dist.		
White	162,013	90.8%	165,179	87.4%	3,166	2.0%
Black	14,364	8.1%	18,237	9.7%	3,873	27.0%
American Indian	290	0.2%	397	0.2%	107	36.9%
Asian	1,359	0.8%	2,082	1.1%	723	53.2%
Hawaiian	18	0.0%	53	0.0%	35	194.4%
Other	342	0.2%	709	0.4%	367	107.3%
2+	NA	---	2,294	1.2%	0	---
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>178,386</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>188,951</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>10,565</b>	<b>5.9%</b>
Hispanic	1,274	0.7%	2,000	1.1%	726	57.0%

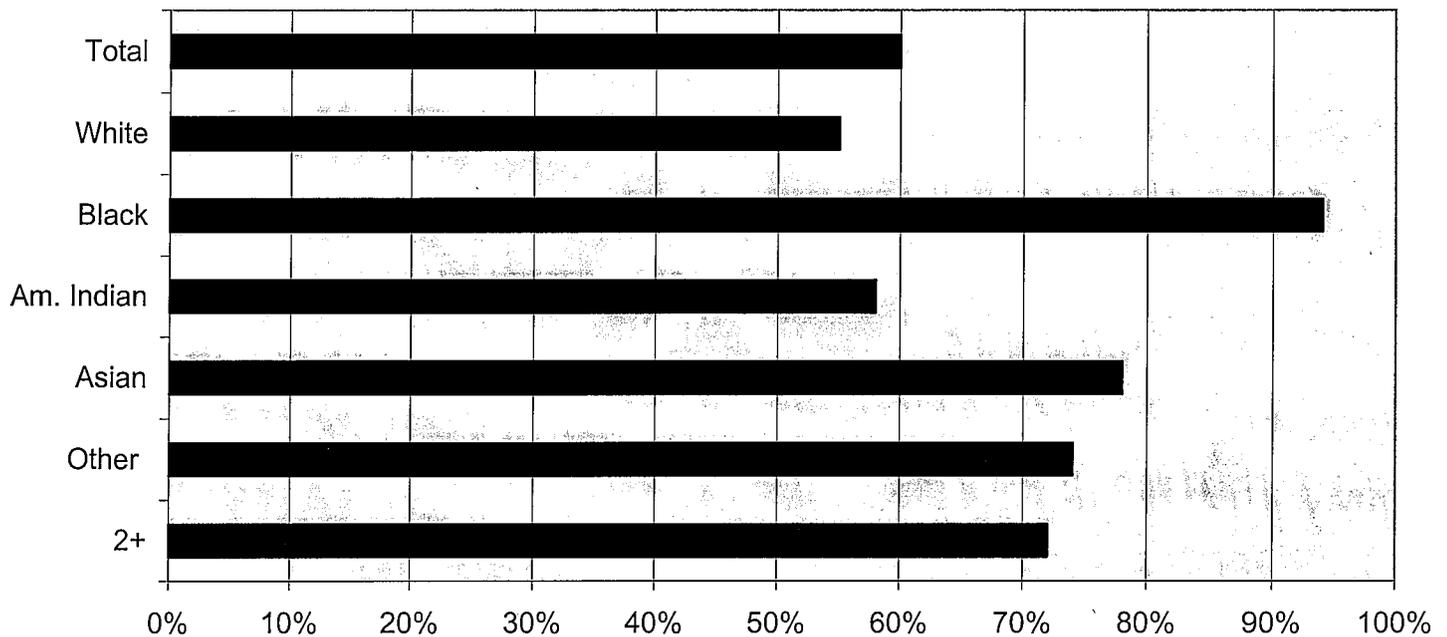
### City of Springfield

White	90,069	85.6%	90,287	81.0%	218	0.2%
Black	13,687	13.0%	17,096	15.3%	3,409	24.9%
American Indian	172	0.2%	231	0.2%	59	34.3%
Asian	1,018	1.0%	1,620	1.5%	602	59.1%
Hawaiian	15	---	34	---	19	126.7%
Other	266	0.3%	525	0.5%	259	97.4%
2+	NA	---	1,661	1.5%	---	---
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>105,227</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>111,454</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>6,227</b>	<b>5.9%</b>
Hispanic	870	0.8%	1,337	1.2%	467	53.7%

**Distribution.** Minority racial groups are concentrated in the City of Springfield. 60% of the county's total population lives in Springfield. However, 94% of the black population and 78% of the Asian population are located in Springfield. (Figure 9). The population outside of the city is predominately white. Only 3.2% of the population in the balance of the county is not white.

Figure 9

**SANGAMON COUNTY POPULATION LOCATED IN CITY OF SPRINGFIELD  
BY RACE  
2000**



Concentrations of racial minorities occur in many census tracts. Fifty percent (50%) of the black population lives in only 6 census tracts, tracts 15, 16, 17, 23, 24 and 25. (Table 19). Census tracts in which over 50% of the population is black are tracts 15, 16, 17 and 24. Tract 17 has the greatest proportion of blacks at 79%. The rural tracts are generally less than 1% black. (Table 19).

Comparing these figures to 1990 data shows mixed indicators of both increasing and decreasing concentrations of blacks. In 2000, 50% of blacks lived in 6 tracts compared to 4 tracts in 1990 indicating less concentrations. In 1990, only 1 tract was more than 70% black compared to 3 tracts in 2000 indicating greater concentration. However, Table 20 shows that, with few exceptions, the number of blacks increased in most census tracts. As Figure 10 shows, there are still major concentrations of blacks on the east side of Springfield. The large increase in the black population (27%) is the reason for indicators of both dispersion and concentration.

**POPULATION  
Black Only  
Sangamon County  
2000**

Census Tract	Total	Black or African American	% of Tract Black	% Distribution of Black Pop.
1	4,270	129	3.0%	0.7%
2.01	2,474	109	4.4%	0.6%
2.02	4,176	390	9.3%	2.1%
3	3,374	357	10.6%	2.0%
4	3,065	194	6.3%	1.1%
5.01	2,420	120	5.0%	0.7%
5.03	4,061	277	6.8%	1.5%
5.04	3,258	249	7.6%	1.4%
6	6,001	362	6.0%	2.0%
7	2,290	115	5.0%	0.6%
8	1,715	722	42.1%	4.0%
9	2,388	644	27.0%	3.5%
10.01	2,467	146	5.9%	0.8%
10.02	6,380	494	7.7%	2.7%
11	2,486	76	3.1%	0.4%
12	3,630	183	5.0%	1.0%
13	1,929	291	15.1%	1.6%
14	928	221	23.8%	1.2%
15	1,071	764	71.3%	4.2%
16	3,314	2,369	71.5%	13.0%
17	1,818	1,434	78.9%	7.9%
18	2,286	407	17.8%	2.2%
19	3,596	492	13.7%	2.7%
20	5,925	146	2.5%	0.8%
21	3,679	146	4.0%	0.8%
22	3,451	106	3.1%	0.6%
23	2,681	1,106	41.3%	6.1%
24	3,892	2,350	60.4%	12.9%
25	4,982	1,100	22.1%	6.0%
26	2,804	261	9.3%	1.4%
27	3,718	98	2.6%	0.5%
28.01	3,480	405	11.6%	2.2%
28.02	3,213	590	18.4%	3.2%
29	5,058	270	5.3%	1.5%
30	5,331	411	7.7%	2.3%
31	5,733	145	2.5%	0.8%
32.01	2,529	25	1.0%	0.1%
32.02	3,251	39	1.2%	0.2%
32.03	4,764	27	0.6%	0.1%
33	4,944	13	0.3%	0.1%
34	5,975	14	0.2%	0.1%
35	4,881	30	0.6%	0.2%
36.01	2,580	8	0.3%	0.0%
36.02	3,443	41	1.2%	0.2%
36.03	3,206	38	1.2%	0.2%
36.04	3,293	164	5.0%	0.9%
37	7,009	27	0.4%	0.1%
38.01	2,899	46	1.6%	0.3%
38.02	5,232	15	0.3%	0.1%
39.01	3,611	18	0.5%	0.1%
39.02	3,853	36	0.9%	0.2%
40	4,137	17	0.4%	0.1%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>188,951</b>	<b>18,237</b>	<b>9.7%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

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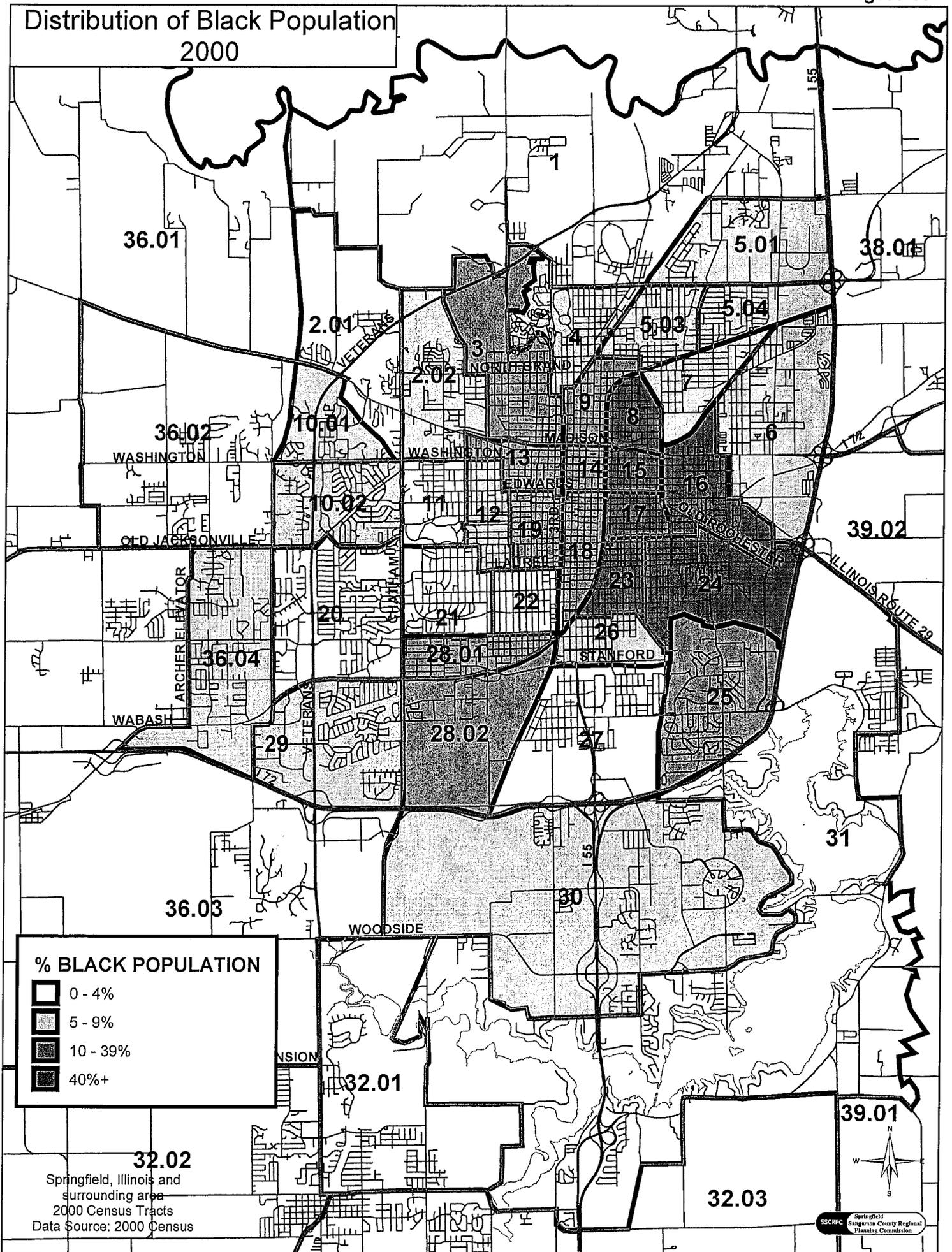
**BLACK POPULATION**  
**% CHANGE FROM 1990-2000**  
**Sangamon County**

Census Tract	1970	1980	1990	2000	# Change 1990-2000	% Change 1990-2000
1	28	108	161	129	-32	-20%
2	86	208	246	499	253	103%
2.01				109		
2.02				390		
3	216	263	259	357	98	38%
4	15	32	128	194	66	52%
5	8	178	277	646	369	133%
5.01			38	120		
5.02			239			
5.03				277		
5.04				249		
6	57	155	248	362	114	46%
7	3	31	51	115	64	125%
8	1,482	1,660	1,380	722	-658	-48%
9	16	178	510	644	134	26%
10	2	282	395	640	245	62%
10.01				146		
10.02				494		
11	1	18	25	76	51	204%
12	15	44	150	183	33	22%
13	12	165	256	291	35	14%
14	77	19	124	221	97	78%
15	1,566	960	808	764	-44	-5%
16	946	1,989	2,713	2,369	-344	-13%
17	1,512	1,585	1,549	1,434	-115	-7%
18	46	156	258	407	149	58%
19	88	180	321	492	171	53%
20	3	56	67	146	79	118%
21	7	40	55	146	91	165%
22	11	21	44	106	62	141%
23	298	491	763	1,106	343	45%
24	1,201	1,775	2,252	2,350	98	4%
25	16	123	291	1,100	809	278%
26	29	63	127	261	134	106%
27	4	38	49	98	49	100%
28	0	224	305	995	690	226%
28.01				405		
28.02				590		
29	0	108	155	270	115	74%
30	6	88	166	411	245	148%
31	5	39	68	145	77	113%
32	0	19	14	91	77	550%
32.01				25		
32.02				39		
32.03				27		
33	0	11	4	13	9	225%
34	0	0	3	14	11	367%
35	2	3	5	30	25	500%
36	4	38	52	251	199	383%
36.01				8		
36.02				41		
36.03				38		
36.04				164		
37	7	8	23	27	4	17%
38	41	10	21	61	40	190%
38.01				46		
38.02				15		
39	2	16	20	54	34	170%
39.01				18		
39.02				36		
40	35	18	21	17	-4	-19%
TOTALS	7,847	11,400	14,364	18,237	3,873	27%

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Source: 2000 U.S. Census

Figure 10

# Distribution of Black Population 2000



Other minority groups do not show the same level of concentration in certain areas as the black population does. The reliability of analysis of such trends in other minority groups is questionable because the numbers are small. However, it does appear that the Asian population is more likely to live in the western and southern parts of Springfield. About 52% of all Asians in Sangamon County live in 8 tracts – 10.01, 10.02, 20, 28.02, 29, 30, 31 and 36.04. (Table 21).

**RACE OF POPULATION  
Sangamon County  
2000**

Census Tract	Total	Pop. of one race	White alone	Black or African American alone	Am. Ind. & Alaska Native alone	Asian alone	Nat. Haw. & Other Pac. Islander alone	Some other race alone	Pop. of two or more races
1	4,270	4,210	4,032	129	7	15	1	26	60
2.01	2,474	2,438	2,299	109	1	17	2	10	36
2.02	4,176	4,091	3,628	390	5	47	0	21	85
3	3,374	3,322	2,868	357	14	64	5	14	52
4	3,065	3,022	2,799	194	10	6	1	12	43
5.01	2,420	2,405	2,272	120	0	6	0	7	15
5.03	4,061	4,022	3,694	277	11	17	1	22	39
5.04	3,258	3,215	2,913	249	5	30	1	17	43
6	6,001	5,885	5,469	362	19	23	2	10	116
7	2,290	2,254	2,125	115	5	5	0	4	36
8	1,715	1,689	939	722	5	1	2	20	26
9	2,388	2,316	1,635	644	13	7	0	17	72
10.01	2,467	2,437	2,200	146	5	77	0	9	30
10.02	6,380	6,323	5,623	494	19	159	1	27	57
11	2,486	2,466	2,368	76	2	15	0	5	20
12	3,630	3,569	3,331	183	3	29	1	22	61
13	1,929	1,888	1,537	291	7	39	0	14	41
14	928	913	669	221	3	19	0	1	15
15	1,071	1,050	275	764	1	3	0	7	21
16	3,314	3,248	839	2,369	6	5	3	26	66
17	1,818	1,782	328	1,434	9	2	1	8	36
18	2,286	2,222	1,779	407	4	22	0	10	64
19	3,596	3,530	2,928	492	17	65	1	27	66
20	5,925	5,892	5,515	146	11	198	0	22	33
21	3,679	3,639	3,434	146	4	33	0	22	40
22	3,451	3,413	3,271	106	4	29	0	3	38
23	2,681	2,619	1,474	1,106	18	6	1	14	62
24	3,892	3,764	1,366	2,350	15	13	1	19	128
25	4,982	4,899	3,730	1,100	5	45	1	18	83
26	2,804	2,772	2,472	261	6	22	2	9	32
27	3,718	3,674	3,514	98	16	15	0	31	44
28.01	3,480	3,411	2,892	405	17	70	1	26	69
28.02	3,213	3,133	2,388	590	5	117	3	30	80
29	5,058	5,003	4,566	270	4	140	1	22	55
30	5,331	5,280	4,634	411	7	192	1	35	51
31	5,733	5,682	5,443	145	0	75	1	18	51
32.01	2,529	2,521	2,456	25	7	24	0	9	8
32.02	3,251	3,235	3,155	39	3	37	0	1	16
32.03	4,764	4,727	4,668	27	7	21	0	4	37
33	4,944	4,913	4,880	13	7	8	0	5	31
34	5,975	5,945	5,895	14	7	12	0	17	30
35	4,881	4,860	4,798	30	6	9	8	9	21
36.01	2,580	2,557	2,539	8	4	6	0	0	23
36.02	3,443	3,419	3,320	41	2	45	2	9	24
36.03	3,206	3,182	3,073	38	2	65	0	4	24
36.04	3,293	3,268	2,951	164	2	130	3	18	25
37	7,009	6,976	6,865	27	25	43	2	14	33
38.01	2,899	2,870	2,799	46	7	11	3	4	29
38.02	5,232	5,198	5,164	15	13	5	0	1	34
39.01	3,611	3,576	3,534	18	2	18	0	4	35
39.02	3,853	3,832	3,772	36	10	13	1	0	21
40	4,137	4,100	4,061	17	10	7	0	5	37
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>188,951</b>	<b>186,657</b>	<b>165,179</b>	<b>18,237</b>	<b>397</b>	<b>2,082</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>709</b>	<b>2,294</b>

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# HOUSEHOLDS

## Household Growth

A household, by Census definition, is all the people who occupy a housing unit. In the past decade, the number of households has increased in Springfield, Sangamon County and Illinois. (Table 22). The growth rate of households exceeded the population growth rate in the 1990's. (Table 23). The continued trend of smaller household size contributed to the higher household formation rate.

**Table 22**

### HOUSEHOLD GROWTH

	1990	2000	Increase	% Increase
<b>Springfield</b>	45,006	48,621	3,615	8.0
<b>Sangamon County</b>	72,146	78,722	6,576	9.1
<b>Illinois</b>	4,202,240	4,591,779	389,539	9.3

**Table 23**

### GROWTH RATES (%)

	Households 1990-2000	Population 1990-2000	Households / Population
<b>Springfield</b>	8.0	5.9	1.4 / 1
<b>Sangamon County</b>	9.1	5.9	1.5 / 1
<b>Illinois</b>	9.3	8.6	1.1 / 1

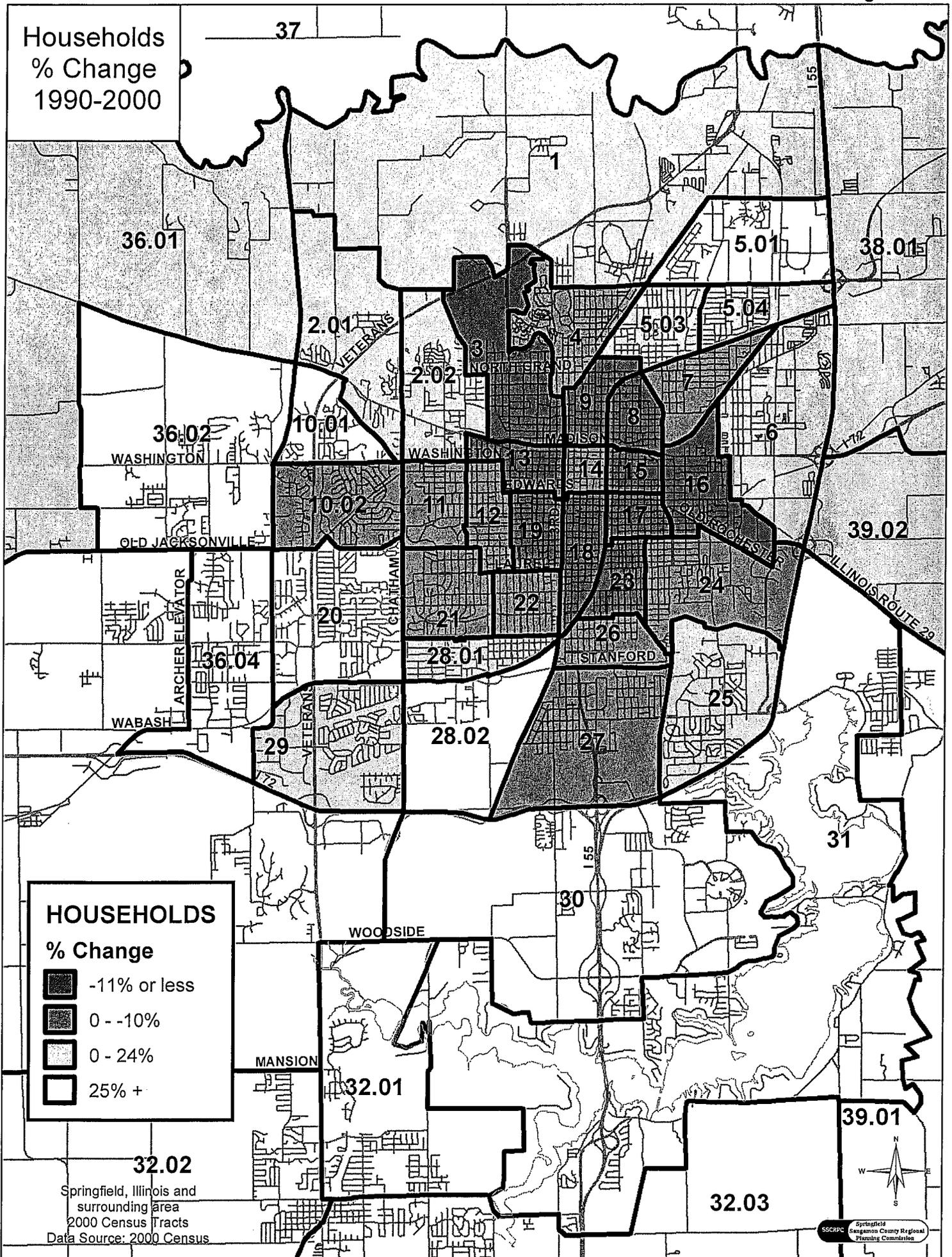
Growth in households from 1990-2000 varied throughout the county from a loss of 442 households due to the demolition of the Hay Homes in census tract 8 to a gain of 1,132 in tract 36.04. The number of households decreased in the central area. The largest increases were on the west and south sides. (Table 24). (Figure 11). As can be seen by comparing Households (Figure 11) to Population (Figure 3), changes in households by tract follow the same pattern as population change.

**HOUSEHOLDS  
1990-2000  
Sangamon County**

Census Tract	2000	1990	#Change 1990-2000	% Change 1990-2000
1	1,866	1,683	183	10.9%
2.01	1,150	1,088	62	5.7%
2.02	1,987	1,916	71	3.7%
3	1,388	1,640	-252	-15.4%
4	1,393	1,517	-124	-8.2%
5.01	958	749	209	27.9%
5.03	1,776	1,774	2	0.1%
5.04	1,243	1,155	88	7.6%
6	2,713	2,550	163	6.4%
7	957	999	-42	-4.2%
8	584	1,026	-442	-43.1%
9	1,104	1,515	-411	-27.1%
10.01	1,049	818	231	28.2%
10.02	3,227	3,275	-48	-1.5%
11	1,195	1,200	-5	-0.4%
12	1,709	1,838	-129	-7.0%
13	1,114	1,332	-218	-16.4%
14	532	594	-62	-10.4%
15	474	533	-59	-11.1%
16	1,174	1,454	-280	-19.3%
17	609	740	-131	-17.7%
18	1,210	1,500	-290	-19.3%
19	1,868	2,145	-277	-12.9%
20	2,542	1,796	746	41.5%
21	1,683	1,714	-31	-1.8%
22	1,611	1,654	-43	-2.6%
23	1,027	1,198	-171	-14.3%
24	1,414	1,516	-102	-6.7%
25	2,061	1,948	113	5.8%
26	1,272	1,390	-118	-8.5%
27	1,679	1,813	-134	-7.4%
28.01	1,597	1,587	10	0.6%
28.02	1,628	1,282	346	27.0%
29	2,202	1,933	269	13.9%
30	2,244	1,220	1,024	83.9%
31	2,129	1,607	522	32.5%
32.01	924	626	298	47.6%
32.02	1,192	912	280	30.7%
32.03	1,679	1,038	641	61.8%
33	1,920	1,736	184	10.6%
34	2,228	1,857	371	20.0%
35	1,880	1,652	228	13.8%
36.01	944	777	167	21.5%
36.02	1,261	880	381	43.3%
36.03	1,140	402	738	183.6%
36.04	1,360	228	1,132	496.5%
37	2,473	1,980	493	24.9%
38.01	1,023	878	145	16.5%
38.02	2,025	1,714	311	18.1%
39.01	1,285	930	355	38.2%
39.02	1,417	1,240	177	14.3%
40	1,602	1,597	5	0.3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>78,722</b>	<b>72,146</b>	<b>6,576</b>	<b>9.1%</b>

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Source: 2000 U.S. Census

Figure 11



## Type of Household

The Census distinguishes between two basic types of households. A family household consists of two or more persons, including the householder, who are related by birth, marriage or adoption, and who live together as one household. A family may be husband/wife, female/no spouse with children or other relatives, or male/no spouse with children or other relatives. It may also include non-relatives living with the family. A non-family household consists of a person living alone or of a householder living with unrelated individuals which includes partners of the opposite sex or same sex.

Table 25 shows the various types of households in Sangamon County. Family households constitute slightly less than 2/3 of the total households in Sangamon County. Slightly under 50% of all households are married couples with 40% of those having children (21% of total households). Non-family households comprise 37% of Sangamon County households. Most of these households (86%) are 1-person households (31% of total households).

**Table 25**

### **HOUSEHOLD TYPE Sangamon County 2000**

<b>TOTAL HOUSEHOLDS</b>	<b>78,722 (100%)</b>		
<b>Family</b>	<b>49,898 (63%)</b>		
<b>Married Couple</b>		<b>37,974 (48%)</b>	
<b>With Children</b>			<b>16,560 (21%)</b>
<b>Without Children</b>			<b>21,414 (27%)</b>
<b>Other Family</b>		<b>11,924 (15%)</b>	
<b>Female Head With Children</b>			<b>5,881 (7%)</b>
<b>Other</b>			<b>6,043 (8%)</b>
<b>Non-Family</b>	<b>28,824 (37%)</b>		
<b>1 - Person Household</b>		<b>24,374 (31%)</b>	
<b>Over 65 Years</b>			<b>8,324 (11%)</b>
<b>Under 65 Years</b>			<b>16,050 (20%)</b>
<b>2 + Persons</b>		<b>4,450 (6%)</b>	

%s are of total households (78,722)

Household type varies by race. Asians have a slightly higher proportion of family households at 68%. Black households have the lowest proportion of married couple households (26%) and Asian households the highest (58%) compared to 48% for the entire population. Black households have a very high proportion of female-headed households with children (25%). This figure is 3 ½ times greater than that of the total population (Table 26).

Non-family households do not vary as greatly by race as family households do. However, 11% of all white households are comprised of one person households 65 years or over. This is almost two times the proportion of black households in this category (6%).

**Table 26**

**HOUSEHOLD TYPE BY RACE \***  
**Sangamon County**  
**2000**

	White	Black	Am. Ind.	Asian	Total
<b>Family</b>	63%	67%	63%	68%	63%
<b>Married Couple</b>	50%	26%	40%	58%	48%
<b>With Children</b>	22%	14%	15%	33%	21%
<b>Without Children</b>	29%	13%	25%	24%	27%
<b>Other Family</b>	13%	40%	23%	10%	15%
<b>Female Head With Children</b>	6%	25%	9%	3%	7%
<b>Other</b>	7%	15%	14%	7%	8%
<b>Non-Family</b>	37%	33%	37%	32%	37%
<b>1 - Person Household</b>	31%	28%	30%	26%	31%
<b>Over 65 Years</b>	11%	6%	3%	3%	11%
<b>Under 65 Years</b>	20%	22%	27%	23%	20%
<b>2 + Persons</b>	6%	50%	7%	6%	6%
<b>TOTAL HOUSEHOLDS</b>	<b>70,682</b> <b>(100%)</b>	<b>6,420</b> <b>(100%)</b>	<b>154</b> <b>(100%)</b>	<b>688</b> <b>(100%)</b>	<b>78,722</b> <b>(100%)</b>

\* Hawaiian omitted due to insufficient sample.

Household composition has changed greatly since 1970. The increase in the number of married couple families has occurred at 1/10 of the rate of the total household growth. Total households increased by 45% during the last three decades while married couple families increased only 4%. The number of married couples with children has decreased every decade

since 1970. Female-headed families with children, other non-traditional families, and non-family households have increased steadily. (Table 27).

**Table 27**

**HOUSEHOLDS  
Sangamon County**

	1970	1980	1990	2000	% Change 1990-2000	% Change 1970-2000
<b>TOTAL HOUSEHOLDS</b>	<b>54,374</b>	<b>68,022</b>	<b>72,146</b>	<b>78,722</b>	<b>9.1%</b>	<b>45%</b>
<b>Family</b>	41,680	47,313	47,543	49,898	5.0%	20%
<b>Married Couple</b>	36,502	39,016	37,408	37,974	1.5%	4%
<b>With Children</b>	19,833	19,462	17,212	16,560	-3.8%	-17%
<b>Without Children</b>	16,669	19,554	20,196	21,414	6.0%	28%
<b>Other Family</b>	5,178	8,297	10,135	11,924	17.7%	130%
<b>Female Head With Children</b>	2,181	4,143	4,883	5,881	20.4%	170%
<b>Other</b>	2,997	4,154	5,252	6,043	15.1%	102%
<b>Non-Family</b>	12,694	20,709	24,603	28,824	17.2%	127%
<b>1 - Person Household</b>	11,714	18,239	21,218	24,374	14.9%	108%
<b>Over 65 Years</b>	NA	7,006	8,159	8,324	2.0%	19% *
<b>Under 65 Years</b>	NA	11,233	13,059	16,050	22.9%	30% *
<b>2 + Persons</b>	980	2,470	3,385	4,450	31.5%	354%

\* 1980-2000

**One-Person Households**

One-person households are a steadily growing household component. In Sangamon County in 2000, 31% of all households were 1-person households compared to 29% in 1990, 27% in 1980 and 22% in 1970. Concentrations of 1-person households occur in the central and west central areas of the city. A lower than average number are located in the east part of Springfield, growth areas surrounding Springfield and rural areas. (Table 28). (Figure 12).

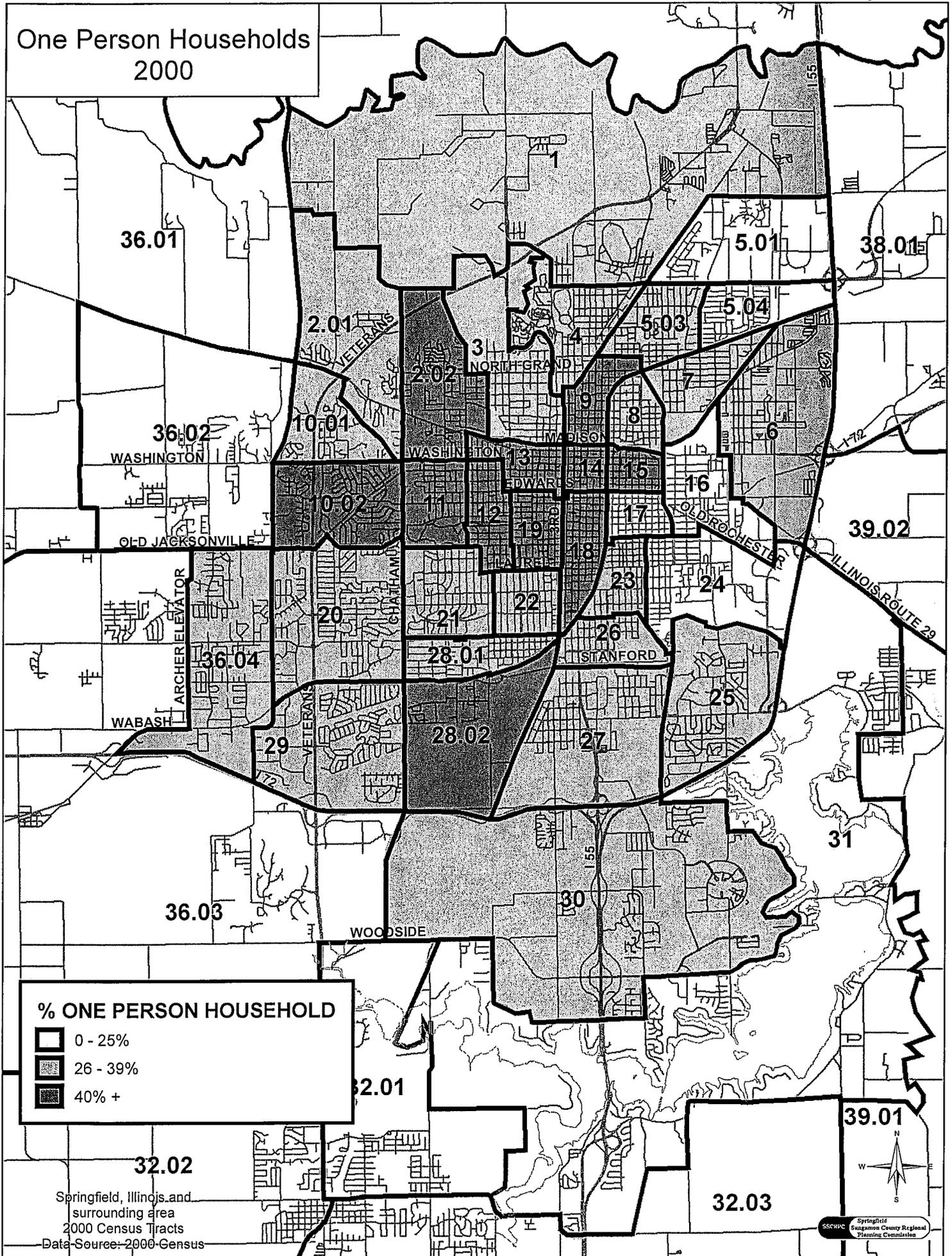
**ONE PERSON HOUSEHOLDS**  
**Sangamon County**  
**2000**

Census Tract	Total Households	One Person Households	
		#	%
1	1,861	606	33%
2.01	1,108	376	34%
2.02	1,992	816	41%
3	1,388	529	38%
4	1,351	531	39%
5.01	1,004	232	23%
5.03	1,832	610	33%
5.04	1,268	268	21%
6	2,709	982	36%
7	963	277	29%
8	596	164	28%
9	1,174	652	56%
10.01	1,034	340	33%
10.02	3,222	1,568	49%
11	1,130	486	43%
12	1,678	679	40%
13	1,143	657	57%
14	514	450	88%
15	497	259	52%
16	1,158	284	25%
17	626	153	24%
18	1,190	638	54%
19	1,854	933	50%
20	2,554	718	28%
21	1,681	556	33%
22	1,617	625	39%
23	1,014	298	29%
24	1,440	359	25%
25	2,066	619	30%
26	1,248	435	35%
27	1,674	591	35%
28.01	1,595	581	36%
28.02	1,651	777	47%
29	2,173	597	27%
30	2,244	758	34%
31	2,117	277	13%
32.01	926	153	17%
32.02	1,183	170	14%
32.03	1,688	248	15%
33	1,921	426	22%
34	2,248	511	23%
35	1,884	391	21%
36.01	875	108	12%
36.02	1,280	282	22%
36.03	1,131	123	11%
36.04	1,432	446	31%
37	2,489	406	16%
38.01	1,030	213	21%
38.02	2,020	461	23%
39.01	1,284	179	14%
39.02	1,417	209	15%
40	1,607	329	20%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>78,781</b>	<b>24,336</b>	<b>31%</b>

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Source: 2000 U.S. Census

Figure 12

# One Person Households 2000



**Elderly Households**

Elderly households, households in which the householder is 65 years or older, increased 4% from 1990-2000 in Sangamon County. (Table 29). Elderly households comprise 22% of total households in Springfield and Sangamon County showing a stable

**Table 29**

**ELDERLY HOUSEHOLDS**

	<b>1990</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>% Change</b>
<b>Springfield</b>	10,551	10,967	4%
<b>Sangamon County</b>	16,345	17,058	4%

proportion of elderly households over the past decade. Elderly households comprised 23% of the total households in 1990.

**Families With Children**

The number of families with children in Sangamon County increased from 23,127 in 1990 to 24,040 families in 2000, a 4% increase. The number of married couples with children decreased in the city and county. (Table 30). The number of non-traditional families with children is increasing.

**Female-Headed Households With Children**

The number of female-headed households with children increased by 998 households between 1990 and 2000 in Sangamon County. Although the number represents a slight increase in the proportion of female-headed households, it is a 20% growth rate for the decade. (Table 30). The increase in female-headed households with children is a concern because of the high poverty rate often associated with this household type. More female-headed households with children are located in the east part of Springfield than in other areas of the city. (Table 31). (Figure 13).

**FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN**

	Total Families with Children			Married Couple			Female-Headed			Other		
	1990	2000	% Change	1990	2000	% Change	1990	2000	% Change	1990	2000	% Change
Springfield	12,821	13,351	4%	8,691	8,395	-3%	3,484	3,985	14%	646	971	50%
Sangamon County	23,127	24,040	4%	17,212	16,560	-4%	4,883	5,881	20%	1,032	1,599	55%
Illinois	1,404,758	1,514,561	8%	1,067,865	1,113,582	4%	279,172	315,957	13%	57,721	85,022	47%

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Source: 2000 U.S. Census

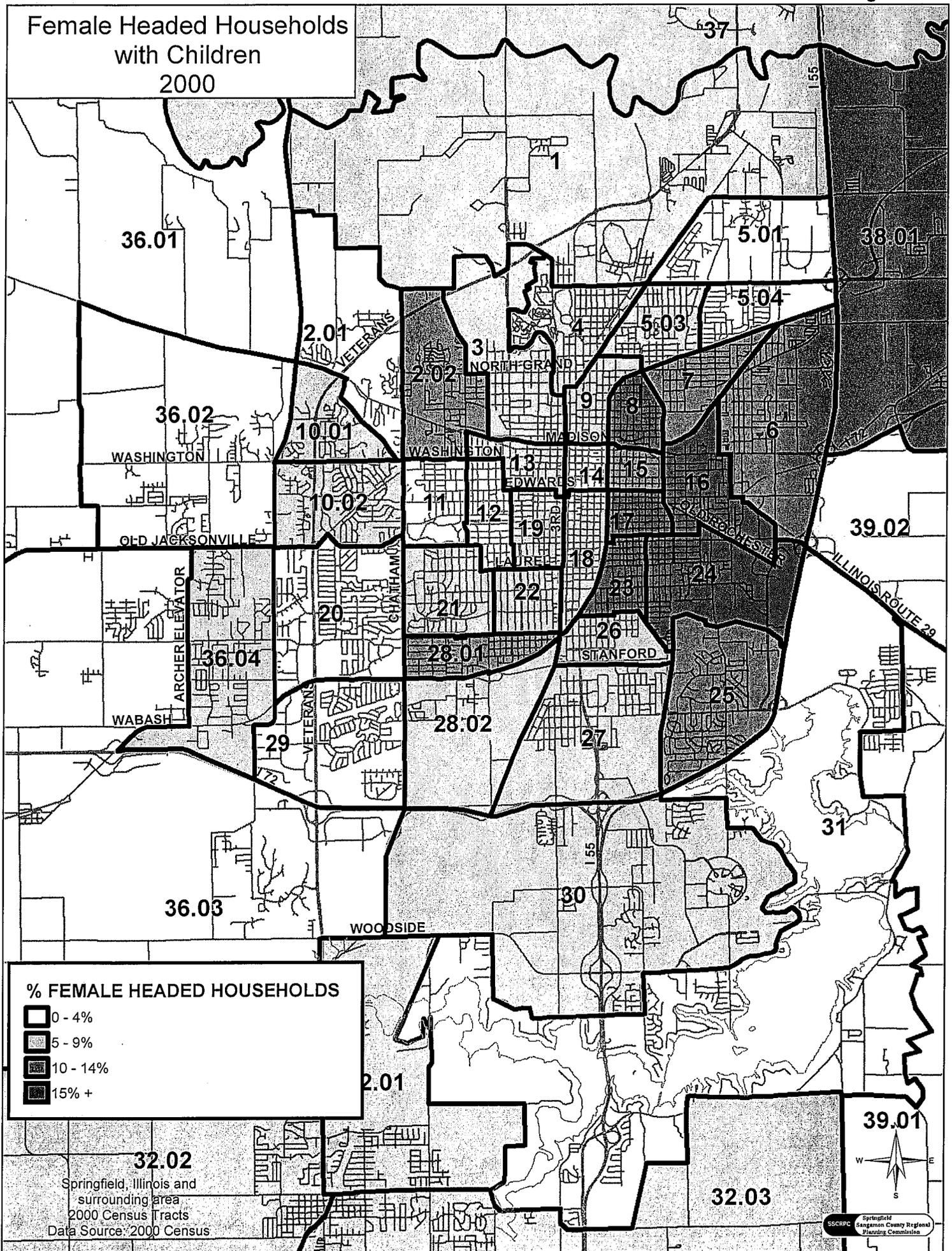
**FEMALE HEADED HOUSEHOLDS WITH CHILDREN**  
**Sangamon County**  
**2000**

Census Tract	Total	Female Headed Households with Children	
		#	%
1	1,861	142	8%
2.01	1,108	45	4%
2.02	1,992	197	10%
3	1,388	114	8%
4	1,351	78	6%
5.01	1,004	27	3%
5.03	1,832	130	7%
5.04	1,268	49	4%
6	2,709	261	10%
7	963	93	10%
8	596	115	19%
9	1,174	100	9%
10.01	1,034	69	7%
10.02	3,222	150	5%
11	1,130	43	4%
12	1,678	69	4%
13	1,143	74	6%
14	514	0	0%
15	497	67	13%
16	1,158	402	35%
17	626	171	27%
18	1,190	84	7%
19	1,854	149	8%
20	2,554	83	3%
21	1,681	85	5%
22	1,617	107	7%
23	1,014	163	16%
24	1,440	312	22%
25	2,066	239	12%
26	1,248	103	8%
27	1,674	141	8%
28.01	1,595	176	11%
28.02	1,651	151	9%
29	2,173	52	2%
30	2,244	177	8%
31	2,117	38	2%
32.01	926	79	9%
32.02	1,183	88	7%
32.03	1,688	144	9%
33	1,921	117	6%
34	2,248	121	5%
35	1,884	101	5%
36.01	875	24	3%
36.02	1,280	53	4%
36.03	1,131	4	0%
36.04	1,432	84	6%
37	2,489	127	5%
38.01	1,030	108	10%
38.02	2,020	148	7%
39.01	1,284	43	3%
39.02	1,417	61	4%
40	1,607	113	7%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>78,781</b>	<b>5,871</b>	<b>7%</b>

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Source: 2000 U.S. Census

Figure 13

# Female Headed Households with Children 2000



## **Household Size**

The size of households has been decreasing steadily for several decades. As Table 32 shows, this trend toward smaller households is occurring nationwide. Demographic trends in the Springfield area that substantiate the trend of smaller household size include the increase in 1-person households, the increase in female-headed households and a decreasing number of married couple households with children.

**Table 32**

### **PERSONS PER HOUSEHOLD 1960-2000**

	<b>United States</b>	<b>Illinois</b>	<b>Sangamon County</b>	<b>Springfield</b>
<b>1960</b>	3.33	3.18	3.03	2.83
<b>1970</b>	3.14	3.09	2.90	2.76
<b>1980</b>	2.76	2.76	2.55	2.38
<b>1990</b>	2.63	2.65	2.43	2.29
<b>2000</b>	2.59	2.63	2.36	2.24
<b>% Decrease 1960-2000</b>	22%	17%	22%	20%
<b>% Decrease 1990-2000</b>	2%	1%	3%	2%

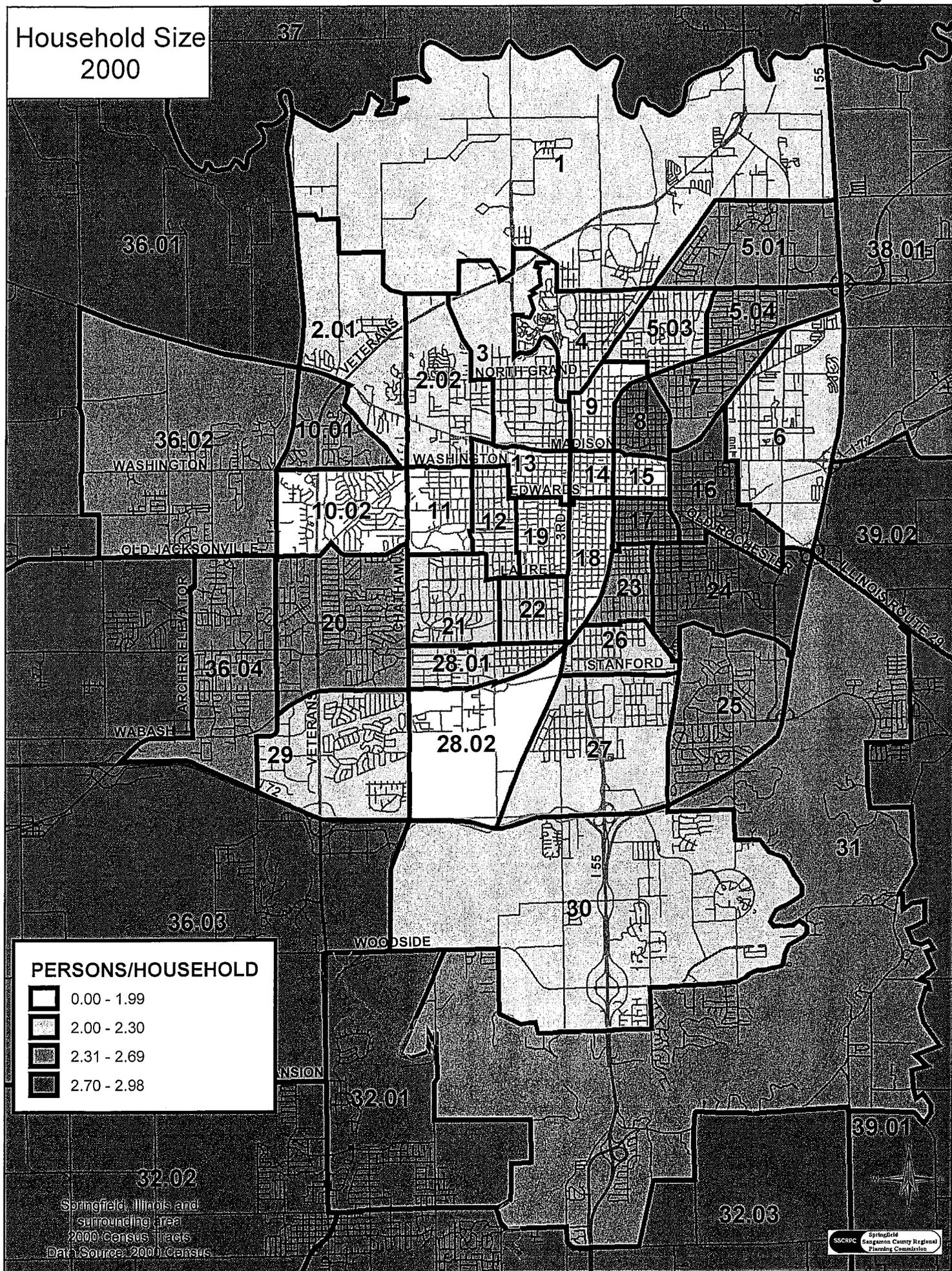
Household size continued to decrease in most census tracts from 1990-2000. The smallest household sizes are generally in the central area. Larger household sizes occur in the eastern part of Springfield, in areas surrounding Springfield and in rural areas. (Table 33). (Figure 14).

**PERSONS PER HOUSEHOLD  
1970-2000  
Sangamon County**

Census Tract	1970	1980	1990	2000
1	2.95	2.62	2.48	2.29
2	3.22	2.44	2.23	***
2.01	***	***	***	2.15
2.02	***	***	***	2.10
3	2.70	2.21	2.18	2.18
4	2.72	2.30	2.31	2.15
5	3.51	2.99	***	***
5.01	***	***	2.74	2.52
5.02	***	***	2.67	***
5.03	***	***	***	2.29
5.04	***	***	***	2.62
6	3.11	2.48	2.33	2.21
7	3.37	2.62	2.42	2.39
8	2.98	2.72	2.67	2.82
9	2.24	1.87	1.95	1.99
10	3.31	2.22	2.06	***
10.01	***	***	***	2.35
10.02	***	***	***	1.86
11	2.72	2.28	2.08	1.94
12	2.50	2.13	2.12	2.12
13	1.88	1.62	1.69	1.73
14	1.28	1.21	1.27	1.23
15	2.58	2.55	1.98	1.97
16	3.04	2.80	2.88	2.82
17	2.80	2.71	2.71	2.98
18	1.98	1.75	1.83	1.89
19	2.15	1.77	1.83	1.90
20	3.84	3.19	2.84	2.33
21	2.83	2.42	2.26	2.19
22	2.76	2.35	2.26	2.14
23	2.84	2.46	2.56	2.61
24	3.34	2.91	2.80	2.75
25	3.67	2.76	2.32	2.33
26	2.82	2.32	2.23	2.16
27	3.09	2.46	2.24	2.15
28	2.92	2.22	2.08	***
28.01	***	***	***	2.17
28.02	***	***	***	1.96
29	3.53	2.84	2.49	2.29
30	3.37	2.80	2.56	2.16
31	3.27	2.94	2.81	2.66
32	3.48	3.16	2.97	***
32.01	***	***	***	2.73
32.02	***	***	***	2.73
32.03	***	***	***	2.84
33	3.13	2.85	2.67	2.58
34	3.00	2.86	2.75	2.65
35	3.22	2.85	2.66	2.60
36	3.47	3.06	2.83	***
36.01	***	***	***	2.73
36.02	***	***	***	2.61
36.03	***	***	***	2.80
36.04	***	***	***	2.42
37	3.34	3.04	2.83	2.76
38	3.15	2.90	2.77	***
38.01	***	***	***	2.60
38.02	***	***	***	2.58
39	3.33	3.09	2.95	***
39.01	***	***	***	2.81
39.02	***	***	***	2.71
40	3.21	2.91	2.75	2.58
TOTALS	2.92	2.55	2.43	2.36

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Source: 2000 U.S. Census

Household Size  
2000



## EDUCATION

The 2000 Census indicates that 84% of adults in the U.S. have a high school diploma compared to 78% in 1990. Springfield and Sangamon County reflect state and national trends of increasing numbers and proportions of high school and college graduates. In fact, local rates are slightly higher than state and national rates. The Census reports education statistics for persons 25 years and over because that is the age by which schooling is traditionally completed.

**Table 34**

### EDUCATION 1970-2000

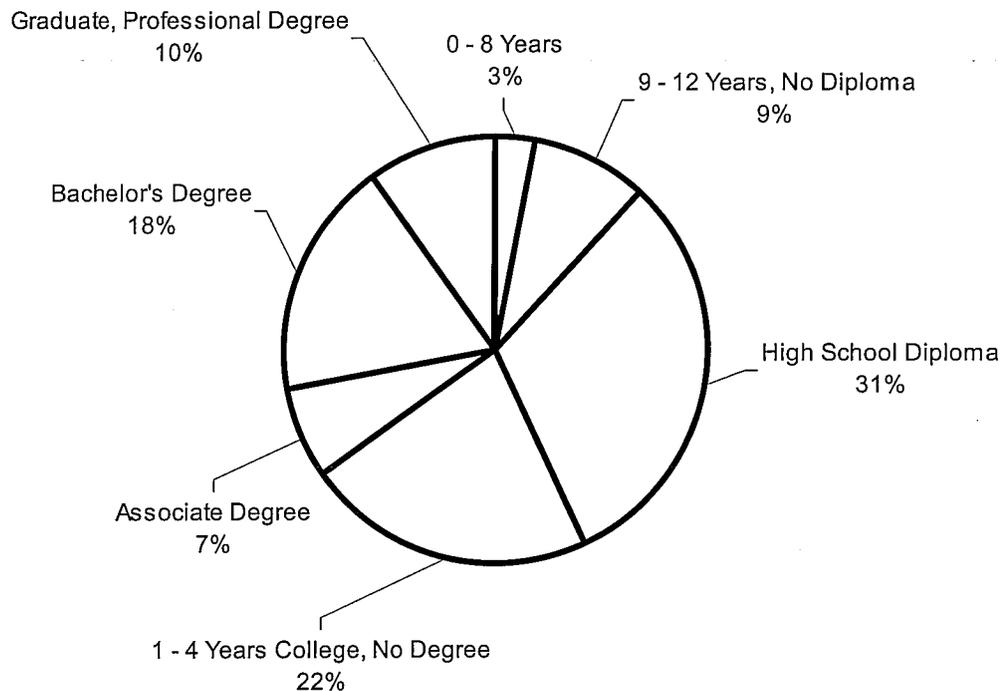
	Sangamon County				Springfield			
	High School Graduate		College Graduate		High School Graduate		College Graduate	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
<b>1970</b>	51,795	57	9,495	10	30,215	57	6,405	12
<b>1980</b>	77,168	72	19,908	19	44,207	72	12,814	21
<b>1990</b>	96,233	82	26,313	22	57,153	82	17,396	25
<b>2000</b>	11,520	88	36,152	29	65,906	87	23,061	31

The proportion of high school graduates in Sangamon County and Springfield is increasing. The percent of high school graduates increased from 82% to 88% in the county from 1990-2000. The share of college graduates increased from 22% to 29% in Sangamon County and from 25% to 31% in Springfield during the same period. (Table 34). The proportion of the population that are college graduates has almost tripled in Sangamon County since 1970.

For the first time, over ½ of the population (25 years and over) has attained an educational level greater than high school. (Figure 15).

Figure 15

**EDUCATION  
HIGHEST SCHOOL LEVEL COMPLETED  
SANGAMON COUNTY  
2000**



**Distribution**

The level of educational attainment varies throughout the county. The lowest percentage of high school graduates are in central and eastern portions of Springfield. Tracts 8, 9 and 17 have the lowest rate of high school completion. Over 1/3 of persons 25 years and over in these tracts have not completed high school. The highest rates of high school completion are primarily found in the western and southern portions of Springfield. However, all tracts have the same or higher rates of high school graduates than a decade ago. (Table 35). (Figure 16).

The distribution of college graduates follows a similar trend. The highest rates are located in the western areas of Springfield. In tract 21, 61% are college graduates and in tracts 10.01, 11 and 20, over 50% of persons 25 years and over have completed college. 6% or fewer of the population 25 years and over are college graduates in tracts 8 and 16. Unlike high school graduation rates, the proportion of college graduates did not increase in all areas of the city. The rate decreased in tracts 3, 13, 14, 16, 20 and 29. (Table 35). (Figure 17).

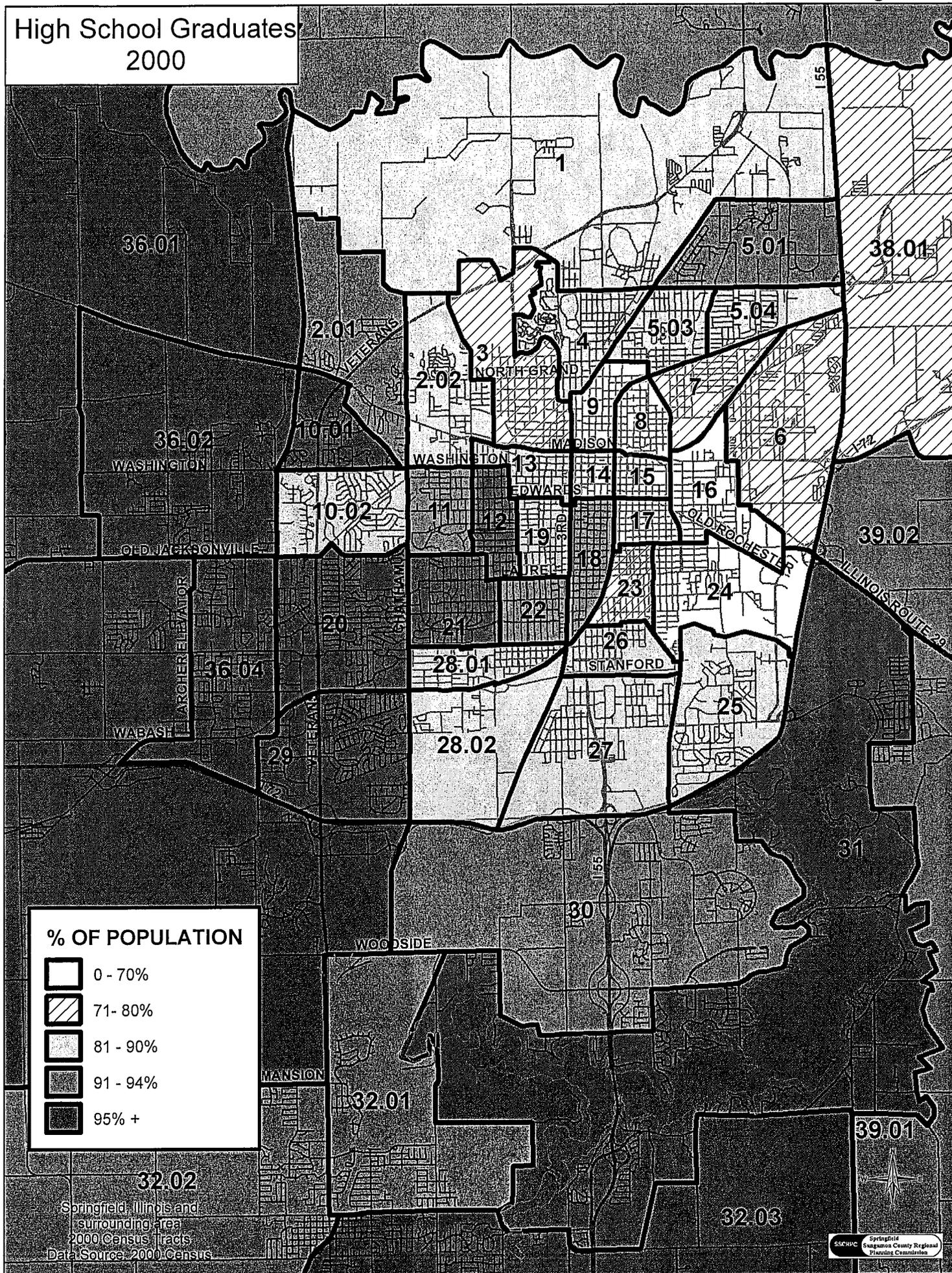
**EDUCATION**  
**Of Population 25 Years & Older**  
**Sangamon County**  
**2000**

Census Tract	High School Graduate		College Graduate	
	#	%	#	%
1	2,365	80.7%	438	15.0%
2.01	1,613	91.4%	512	29.0%
2.02	2,205	84.2%	421	16.1%
3	1,774	75.9%	266	11.4%
4	1,808	87.7%	387	18.8%
5.01	1,588	92.5%	411	23.9%
5.03	2,391	84.5%	308	10.9%
5.04	1,918	85.7%	390	17.4%
6	3,047	74.9%	268	6.6%
7	1,109	73.6%	84	5.6%
8	605	62.5%	41	4.2%
9	1,085	65.4%	205	12.4%
10.01	1,545	95.6%	891	55.1%
10.02	4,302	90.1%	2,198	46.0%
11	1,729	94.3%	949	51.7%
12	2,250	94.5%	1,059	44.5%
13	1,281	89.5%	308	21.5%
14	531	69.5%	125	16.4%
15	573	68.1%	106	12.6%
16	1,118	67.1%	60	3.6%
17	578	63.0%	58	6.3%
18	1,415	91.8%	460	29.9%
19	2,167	88.4%	803	32.7%
20	4,264	96.8%	2,309	52.4%
21	2,530	95.4%	1,619	61.1%
22	2,237	93.5%	907	37.9%
23	1,208	77.8%	142	9.1%
24	1,573	69.8%	213	9.4%
25	2,810	85.6%	668	20.4%
26	1,713	89.8%	310	16.3%
27	2,262	86.1%	439	16.7%
28.01	2,009	85.3%	458	19.4%
28.02	1,651	89.1%	589	31.8%
29	3,599	95.7%	1,459	38.8%
30	3,306	93.1%	1,299	36.6%
31	3,893	97.4%	1,826	45.7%
32.01	1,539	94.0%	648	39.6%
32.02	1,934	94.0%	633	30.8%
32.03	2,828	96.4%	1,167	39.8%
33	2,919	89.7%	647	19.9%
34	3,244	87.2%	711	19.1%
35	2,889	89.3%	600	18.5%
36.01	1,567	96.5%	595	36.7%
36.02	2,314	95.8%	1,130	46.8%
36.03	2,001	95.6%	939	44.9%
36.04	2,313	97.5%	1,401	59.1%
37	4,237	90.7%	1,446	31.0%
38.01	1,556	80.2%	384	19.8%
38.02	3,087	90.4%	708	20.7%
39.01	2,198	92.0%	940	39.4%
39.02	2,435	93.0%	817	31.2%
40	2,407	87.8%	400	14.6%
<b>Total</b>	<b>111,520</b>	<b>88.1%</b>	<b>36,152</b>	<b>28.6%</b>

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Source: 2000 U.S. Census

Figure 16

# High School Graduates 2000



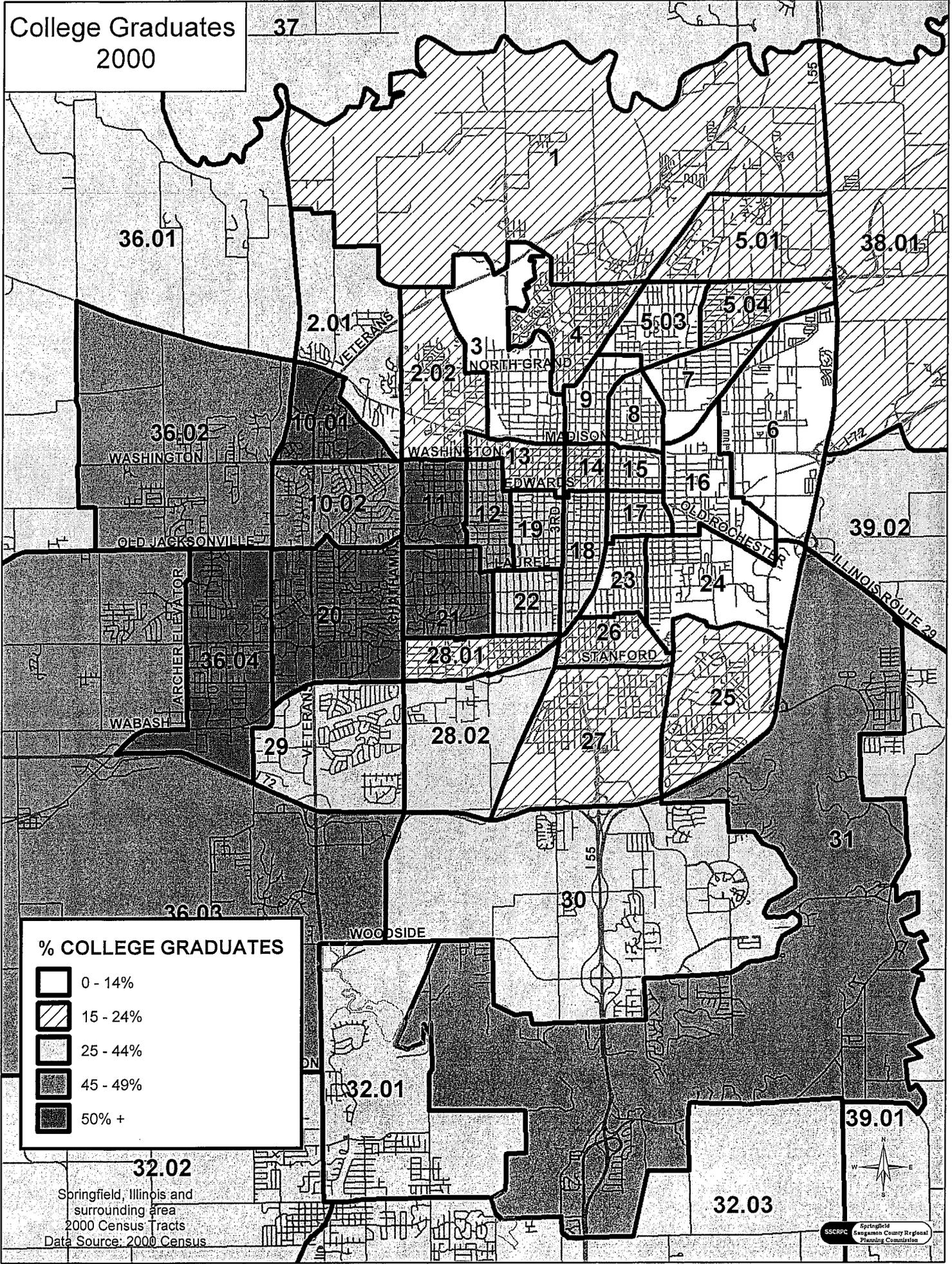
**% OF POPULATION**

- 0 - 70%
- 71 - 80%
- 81 - 90%
- 91 - 94%
- 95% +

Springfield, Illinois and  
surrounding area  
2000 Census Tracts  
Data Source: 2000 Census

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Planning Committee

# College Graduates 2000



**% COLLEGE GRADUATES**

- 0 - 14%
- 15 - 24%
- 25 - 44%
- 45 - 49%
- 50% +

Springfield, Illinois and  
surrounding area  
2000 Census tracts  
Data Source: 2000 Census

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**EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT  
of Population 25 Years & Older  
Sangamon County  
2000**

Census Tract	<9TH Grade		9TH-12TH, No Diploma		HS Grad		Some College		Associate Degree		Bachelor Degree		Graduate Professional Degree		Total
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	
1	129	4.4%	435	14.9%	1,112	38.0%	680	23.2%	135	4.6%	302	10.3%	136	4.6%	2,929
2.01	23	1.3%	128	7.3%	532	30.2%	418	23.7%	151	8.6%	357	20.2%	155	8.8%	1,764
2.02	116	4.4%	297	11.3%	1,079	41.2%	547	20.9%	158	6.0%	270	10.3%	151	5.8%	2,618
3	220	9.4%	342	14.6%	992	42.5%	421	18.0%	95	4.1%	199	8.5%	67	2.9%	2,336
4	102	4.9%	152	7.4%	690	33.5%	553	26.8%	178	8.6%	261	12.7%	126	6.1%	2,062
5.01	19	1.1%	110	6.4%	579	33.7%	378	22.0%	220	12.8%	313	18.2%	98	5.7%	1,717
5.03	134	4.7%	303	10.7%	1,285	45.4%	574	20.3%	224	7.9%	244	8.6%	64	2.3%	2,828
5.04	166	7.4%	154	6.9%	844	37.7%	521	23.3%	163	7.3%	322	14.4%	68	3.0%	2,238
6	299	7.4%	722	17.7%	1,852	45.5%	754	18.5%	173	4.3%	212	5.2%	56	1.4%	4,068
7	117	7.8%	281	18.6%	682	45.3%	314	20.8%	29	1.9%	65	4.3%	19	1.3%	1,507
8	85	8.8%	278	28.7%	310	32.0%	203	21.0%	51	5.3%	28	2.9%	13	1.3%	968
9	258	15.6%	315	19.0%	543	32.8%	259	15.6%	78	4.7%	159	9.6%	46	2.8%	1,658
10.01	16	1.0%	55	3.4%	285	17.6%	266	16.5%	103	6.4%	538	33.3%	353	21.8%	1,616
10.02	206	4.3%	268	5.6%	936	19.6%	864	18.1%	304	6.4%	1,288	27.0%	910	19.1%	4,776
11	26	1.4%	79	4.3%	367	20.0%	334	18.2%	79	4.3%	518	28.2%	431	23.5%	1,834
12	35	1.5%	97	4.1%	475	19.9%	553	23.2%	163	6.8%	596	25.0%	463	19.4%	2,382
13	13	0.9%	137	9.6%	422	29.5%	454	31.7%	97	6.8%	229	16.0%	79	5.5%	1,431
14	70	9.2%	163	21.3%	318	41.6%	69	9.0%	19	2.5%	66	8.6%	59	7.7%	764
15	94	11.2%	175	20.8%	341	40.5%	105	12.5%	21	2.5%	44	5.2%	62	7.4%	842
16	139	8.3%	409	24.5%	742	44.5%	269	16.1%	47	2.8%	24	1.4%	36	2.2%	1,666
17	137	14.9%	202	22.0%	334	36.4%	175	19.1%	11	1.2%	47	5.1%	11	1.2%	917
18	32	2.1%	94	6.1%	412	26.7%	397	25.8%	146	9.5%	311	20.2%	149	9.7%	1,541
19	85	3.5%	200	8.2%	587	23.9%	582	23.7%	195	8.0%	409	16.7%	394	16.1%	2,452
20	35	0.8%	107	2.4%	866	19.7%	809	18.4%	280	6.4%	1,139	25.9%	1,170	26.6%	4,406
21	30	1.1%	91	3.4%	381	14.4%	388	14.6%	142	5.4%	901	34.0%	718	27.1%	2,651
22	48	2.0%	107	4.5%	676	28.3%	506	21.2%	148	6.2%	602	25.2%	305	12.8%	2,392
23	46	3.0%	299	19.3%	593	38.2%	399	25.7%	74	4.8%	105	6.8%	37	2.4%	1,553
24	181	8.0%	500	22.2%	855	37.9%	424	18.8%	81	3.6%	142	6.3%	71	3.1%	2,254
25	134	4.1%	338	10.3%	1,087	33.1%	838	25.5%	217	6.6%	464	14.1%	204	6.2%	3,282
26	24	1.3%	170	8.9%	728	38.2%	581	30.5%	94	4.9%	218	11.4%	92	4.8%	1,907
27	103	3.9%	261	9.9%	1,046	39.8%	646	24.6%	131	5.0%	307	11.7%	132	5.0%	2,626
28.01	47	2.0%	300	12.7%	860	36.5%	565	24.0%	126	5.3%	326	13.8%	132	5.6%	2,356
28.02	67	3.6%	134	7.2%	505	27.3%	387	20.9%	170	9.2%	339	18.3%	250	13.5%	1,852
29	34	0.9%	129	3.4%	897	23.8%	946	25.1%	297	7.9%	1,009	26.8%	450	12.0%	3,762
30	86	2.4%	159	4.5%	848	23.9%	846	23.8%	313	8.8%	873	24.6%	426	12.0%	3,551
31	9	0.2%	96	2.4%	914	22.9%	807	20.2%	346	8.7%	1,107	27.7%	719	18.0%	3,998
32.01	20	1.2%	78	4.8%	361	22.1%	430	26.3%	100	6.1%	387	23.6%	261	15.9%	1,637
32.02	32	1.6%	91	4.4%	561	27.3%	566	27.5%	174	8.5%	439	21.3%	194	9.4%	2,057
32.03	28	1.0%	79	2.7%	736	25.1%	699	23.8%	226	7.7%	884	30.1%	283	9.6%	2,935
33	58	1.8%	278	8.5%	1,210	37.2%	757	23.3%	305	9.4%	431	13.2%	216	6.6%	3,255
34	172	4.6%	304	8.2%	1,310	35.2%	934	25.1%	289	7.8%	565	15.2%	146	3.9%	3,720
35	102	3.2%	244	7.5%	1,248	38.6%	813	25.1%	228	7.0%	405	12.5%	195	6.0%	3,235
36.01	0	0.0%	56	3.5%	524	32.3%	295	18.2%	153	9.4%	339	20.9%	256	15.8%	1,623
36.02	8	0.3%	93	3.9%	536	22.2%	483	20.0%	165	6.8%	687	28.4%	443	18.3%	2,415
36.03	34	1.6%	58	2.8%	464	22.2%	436	20.8%	162	7.7%	594	28.4%	345	16.5%	2,093
36.04	37	1.6%	22	0.9%	322	13.6%	448	18.9%	142	6.0%	794	33.5%	607	25.6%	2,372
37	136	2.9%	298	6.4%	1,449	31.0%	1,012	21.7%	330	7.1%	1,015	21.7%	431	9.2%	4,671
38.01	69	3.6%	315	16.2%	725	37.4%	316	16.3%	131	6.8%	302	15.6%	82	4.2%	1,940
38.02	79	2.3%	248	7.3%	1,319	38.6%	831	24.3%	229	6.7%	494	14.5%	214	6.3%	3,414
39.01	19	0.8%	171	7.2%	540	22.6%	551	23.1%	167	7.0%	635	26.6%	305	12.8%	2,388
39.02	41	1.6%	142	5.4%	811	31.0%	521	19.9%	286	10.9%	512	19.6%	305	11.7%	2,618
40	91	3.3%	245	8.9%	1,195	43.6%	671	24.5%	141	5.1%	298	10.9%	102	3.7%	2,743
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,291</b>	<b>3.4%</b>	<b>10,809</b>	<b>8.5%</b>	<b>39,286</b>	<b>31.0%</b>	<b>27,595</b>	<b>21.8%</b>	<b>8,487</b>	<b>6.7%</b>	<b>23,115</b>	<b>18.3%</b>	<b>13,037</b>	<b>10.3%</b>	<b>126,620</b>

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Source: 2000 U.S. Census

Township figures for educational attainment indicate that the lowest rate of high school graduates is in Springfield Township with a 75% high school graduation rate and the highest rate is in Ball and Gardner Townships where 97% of the population are high school graduates. Talkington Township has the lowest rate of college graduates at 4%. Ball and Buffalo Hart Townships have the highest rate of college graduates in the county at 43% and 42% respectively. (Table 37).

**Table 37**

**EDUCATION  
Townships  
Sangamon County  
2000**

<b>Township</b>	<b>Persons 25 Yrs. &amp; Over</b>	<b>% High School Graduate</b>	<b>% College Graduate</b>
Auburn	3,771	87	19
Ball	2,977	97	43
Buffalo Hart	165	93	42
Capital	75,414	86	31
Cartwright	1,000	91	19
Chatham	3,720	93	30
Clear Lake	5,491	88	20
Cooper	539	93	13
Cotton Hill	698	86	29
Curran	1,260	95	31
Divernon	986	92	19
Fancy Creek	2,807	91	35
Gardner	2,705	97	39
Illiopolis	863	90	17
Island Grove	343	90	21
Lanesville	122	90	23
Loami	723	90	16
Maxwell	140	90	24
Mechanicsburg	1,398	85	16
New Berlin	831	89	21
Pawnee	1,974	89	21
Rochester	2,958	92	37
Springfield	4,606	75	10
Talkington	198	79	4
Williams	2,180	89	25
Woodside	8,751	88	28
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>126,620</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>29</b>

## Educational Attainment by Gender

Males and females show similar educational attainment through high school. Women have a slightly higher high school graduation rate than men – 88.4% compared to 87.7%. Women also have a slightly higher rate of attending some college or having an associate’s degree – 29.3% compared to 27.7%. However, males clearly out pace females in attaining a bachelor’s degree or higher – 31.7% compared to 25.9%. (Table 38).

**Table 38**

### EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT By Sex Sangamon County 2000

	Male		Female		Total	
	Count	Percentage	Count	Percentage	Count	Percentage
	58,466		68,154		126,620	
No schooling completed	255	0.4%	221	0.3%	476	0.4%
Nursery to 4th grade	101	0.2%	142	0.2%	243	0.2%
5th and 6th grade	197	0.3%	181	0.3%	378	0.3%
7th and 8th grade	1,396	2.4%	1,798	2.6%	3,194	2.5%
<b>&lt;9th grade</b>	<b>1,949</b>	<b>3.3%</b>	<b>2,342</b>	<b>3.4%</b>	<b>4,291</b>	<b>3.4%</b>
9th grade	950	1.6%	1,036	1.5%	1,986	1.6%
10th grade	1,422	2.4%	1,566	2.3%	2,988	2.4%
11th grade	1,275	2.2%	1,364	2.0%	2,639	2.1%
12th grade, no diploma	1,581	2.7%	1,615	2.4%	3,196	2.5%
<b>9th-12th, no Diploma</b>	<b>5,228</b>	<b>8.9%</b>	<b>5,581</b>	<b>8.2%</b>	<b>10,809</b>	<b>8.5%</b>
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	16,645	28.5%	22,641	33.2%	39,286	31.0%
Some college, less than 1 year	4,432	7.6%	6,689	9.8%	11,121	8.8%
Some college, 1 or more years, no degree	8,133	13.9%	8,341	12.2%	16,474	13.0%
<b>Some College</b>	<b>12,565</b>	<b>21.5%</b>	<b>15,030</b>	<b>22.1%</b>	<b>27,595</b>	<b>21.8%</b>
Associate degree	3,566	6.1%	4,921	7.2%	8,487	6.7%
Bachelor's degree	11,235	19.2%	11,880	17.4%	23,115	18.3%
Master's degree	4,565	7.8%	4,367	6.4%	8,932	7.1%
Professional school degree	1,960	3.4%	1,030	1.5%	2,990	2.4%
Doctorate degree	753	1.3%	362	0.5%	1,115	0.9%
Graduate/Professional Degree	7,278	12.4%	5,759	8.4%	13,037	10.3%
<b>HS Grad</b>	<b>51,289</b>	<b>87.7%</b>	<b>60,231</b>	<b>88.4%</b>	<b>111,520</b>	<b>88.1%</b>
<b>College Grad</b>	<b>18,513</b>	<b>31.7%</b>	<b>17,639</b>	<b>25.9%</b>	<b>36,152</b>	<b>28.6%</b>

This difference does not hold true by age. Younger women are more highly educated than men in the same age groups. Forty-seven percent of females 18-34 years are college graduates compared to 41% of males. (Table 39).

Table 39

**EDUCATION BY AGE BY SEX**  
**Sangamon County**  
**2000**

Age	% HS Graduate		% College Graduate	
	Male	Female	Male	Female
18 - 24 Years	76	80	8	11
25 - 34 Years	91	94	33	36
35 - 44 Years	90	94	31	29
45 - 64 Years	90	92	37	27
65+ Years	74	73	21	13

**Racial Differences**

There are differences in educational attainment between the various racial groups. American Indians and Asians have the highest rate of high school graduation at 91%. The black population has the lowest high school graduation rate at 76% compared to 88% for the total population. Asians have the largest proportion of college graduates at 64%, twice the rate for the total population. (Table 40). Asians are the only group in which the number of persons with no high school diploma increased between 1990-2000. (Table 41).

Table 40

**EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT BY RACE**  
**25 Years and Over**  
**Sangamon County**  
**2000**

	Total Population		White		Black		American Indian		Asian		Hawaiian & Pacific Islanders		Other	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
Less than 9th grade	4,291	3%	3,636	3%	525	6%	13	5%	44	3%	0	0%	73	5%
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	10,809	9%	8,890	8%	1,665	18%	8	3%	72	5%	0	0%	174	13%
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	39,286	31%	35,574	31%	3,116	34%	83	35%	127	10%	3	60%	383	28%
Some college, no degree	27,595	22%	24,991	22%	2,079	22%	47	20%	143	11%	0	0%	335	24%
Associate degree	8,487	7%	7,799	7%	445	5%	29	12%	98	7%	0	0%	116	8%
Bachelor's degree	23,115	18%	21,564	19%	944	10%	22	9%	394	30%	0	0%	191	14%
Graduate or professional degree	13,037	10%	11,909	10%	524	6%	36	15%	454	34%	2	40%	112	8%
TOTAL	126,620		114,363		9,298		238		1,332		5		1,384	
High school graduates	111,520	88%	101,837	89%	7,108	76%	217	91%	1,216	91%	5	100%	1,137	82%
College graduates	36,152	29%	33,473	29%	1,468	16%	58	24%	848	64%	2	40%	303	22%

**EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT BY RACE**  
**25 Years and Over**  
**Sangamon County**  
**1990 - 2000**

	Total Population				White				Black				Native Americans				Asian				Other											
	1990		2000		Change		%		1990		2000		Change		%		1990		2000		Change		%		1990		2000		Change		%	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%		
Less than 9th grade	7,802	4,291	-3,511	-45%	3,636	-3,323	-48%	761	525	-236	-31%	16	13	-3	-19%	66	44	-22	-33%	0	73	73										
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	13,651	10,809	-2,842	-21%	8,890	-3,061	-26%	1,665	1,665	0	0%	7	8	1	14%	20	72	52	260%	8	174	166										
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	39,068	39,286	218	1%	36,794	-1,220	-3%	2,133	3,116	983	46%	57	83	26	46%	82	130	48	59%	2	383	381										
Some college, no degree	23,050	27,595	4,545	20%	21,300	3,691	17%	1,522	2,079	557	37%	131	47	-84	-64%	71	143	72	101%	26	335	309										
Associate degree	7,802	8,487	685	9%	7,421	378	5%	325	445	120	37%	15	29	14	93%	31	98	67	216%	10	116	106										
Bachelor's degree	16,699	23,115	6,416	38%	15,942	5,622	35%	522	944	422	81%	15	22	7	47%	159	394	235	148%	61	191	130										
Graduate or professional degree	9,614	13,037	3,423	36%	8,805	3,104	35%	441	524	83	19%	0	36	36		332	456	124	37%	36	112	76										
TOTAL	117,686	126,620	8,934	8%	109,172	114,363	5,191	5%	7,369	9,298	1,929	26%	241	238	-3	-1%	761	1,337	576	76%	143	1,384	1,241									
No High School Diploma	21,453	15,100	-6,353	-30%	18,910	-6,384	-34%	2,426	2,190	-236	-10%	23	21	-2	-9%	86	116	30	35%	8	247	239										
High school graduates	96,233	111,520	15,287	16%	90,262	101,837	11,575	13%	4,943	7,108	2,165	44%	218	217	-1	0%	675	1,221	546	81%	135	1,137	1,002									
College graduates	26,313	36,152	9,839	37%	24,747	33,473	8,726	35%	963	1,468	505	52%	15	58	43	287%	491	850	359	73%	97	303	206									

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Source: 2000 U.S. Census

Table 41

## High School Dropouts

Illinois enrollment figures indicate 10% of teenagers age 16 to 19 were high school dropouts – not enrolled in school and not a high school graduate. Sangamon County had a dropout rate of 8% in 2000. (Table 42). In the City of Springfield, 12% of teens in this age group are high school dropouts. The unemployment rate for the total population is 3%, compared to 26% for high school dropouts between 16-19 years. (Figure 18).

Table 42

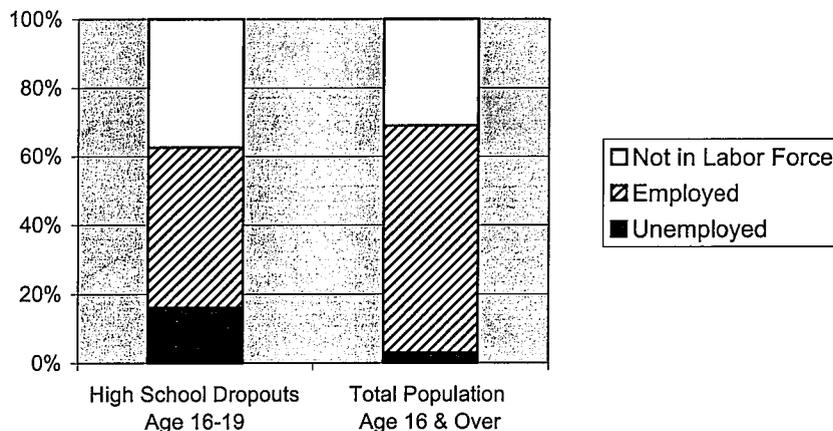
### SCHOOL ENROLLMENT & EMPLOYMENT PERSONS 16-19 YEARS Sangamon County 1980-2000

	1980		1990		2000	
	#	%	#	%	#	%
<b>Total</b>	12,047	100%	9,016	100%	9,810	100%
<b>Enrolled in School</b>	8,455	70%	7,077	78%	7,767	79%
<b>Not Enrolled</b>	3,592	30%	1,939	22%	2,043	21%
<b>H.S. Grad</b>	2,089	17%	1,044	12%	1,217	12%
<b>Not H.S. Grad *</b>	1,503	12%	895	10%	826	8%
<b>Not Enrolled, Not H.S. Grad</b>	1,503	100%	895	100%	826	100%
<b>Employed</b>	646	43%	392	44%	383	46%
<b>Unemployed</b>	249	17%	161	18%	134	16%
<b>Not in Labor Force</b>	608	40%	342	38%	309	37%
<b>Unemployment Rate</b>		28%		29%		26%

\* High School Dropout

Figure 18

### LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS Sangamon County 2000



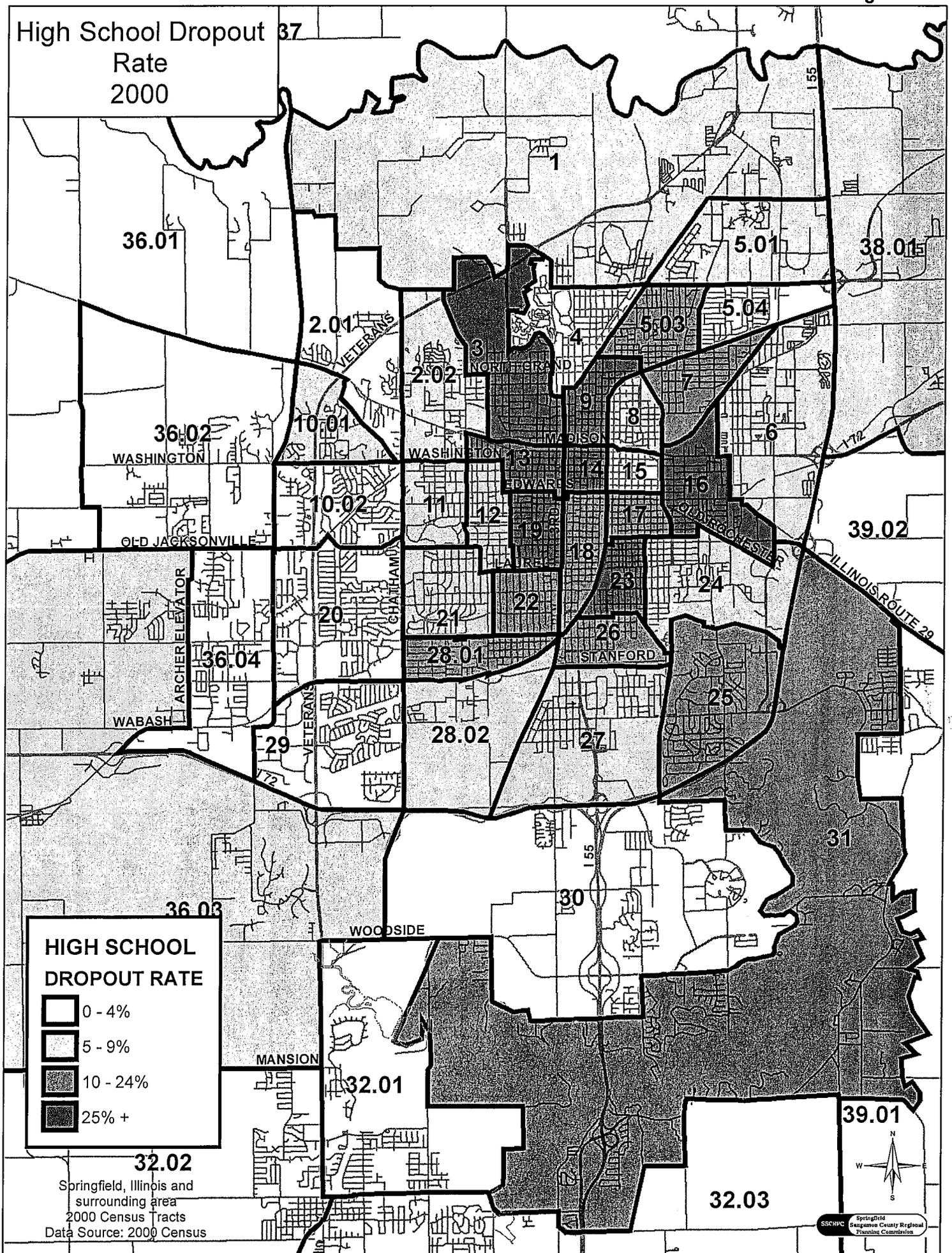
The high school dropout rate varies greatly by census tract. Lower rates are found outside of central Springfield with the exception of tract 31 which has a dropout rate of 15%. Many tracts have no high school dropouts while the highest rates are north and west of downtown. Tracts 3, 13, and 14 have rates over 40%. (Table 43). (Figure 19).

**HIGH SCHOOL DROPOUT RATE**  
**Persons Age 16-19 Years**  
**Sangamon County**  
**2000**

Census Tract	Total Age 16-19 (civilian)	Not Enrolled in School & Not High School Graduate	Dropout Rate
1	203	18	9%
2.01	81	0	0%
2.02	211	13	6%
3	104	46	44%
4	130	4	3%
5.01	146	7	5%
5.03	184	25	14%
5.04	147	0	0%
6	286	22	8%
7	104	18	17%
8	103	7	7%
9	110	33	30%
10.01	178	12	7%
10.02	246	10	4%
11	97	9	9%
12	245	18	7%
13	101	40	40%
14	41	26	63%
15	34	0	0%
16	232	64	28%
17	161	31	19%
18	80	17	21%
19	187	49	26%
20	309	0	0%
21	140	9	6%
22	185	22	12%
23	192	63	33%
24	237	21	9%
25	277	41	15%
26	126	21	17%
27	161	12	7%
28.01	134	27	20%
28.02	126	7	6%
29	233	0	0%
30	211	7	3%
31	285	43	15%
32.01	137	0	0%
32.02	242	0	0%
32.03	288	0	0%
33	282	15	5%
34	315	0	0%
35	293	14	5%
36.01	183	0	0%
36.02	164	0	0%
36.03	156	11	7%
36.04	135	0	0%
37	379	2	1%
38.01	195	10	5%
38.02	305	9	3%
39.01	209	0	0%
39.02	227	0	0%
40	273	23	8%
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,810</b>	<b>826</b>	<b>8%</b>

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Source: 2000 U.S. Census

High School Dropout Rate  
2000



## INCOME

### Median Income

Income figures for the 2000 Census are for 1999, the last complete calendar year preceding the Census. These figures are obtained for persons age 15 and older. Income is determined on two levels – per capita and per household which is further broken down to family or non-family households.

The 1999 median household income for Sangamon County is \$42,957 compared to \$30,350 in 1989. This was an increase of 5.7% in the decade after adjusting for the increase in consumer prices. The 1989-1999 inflation factor is 1.339. Springfield's median household income increased from \$27,995 a decade ago to \$39,388 in 1999. This reflects a 5.1% real increase when applying the inflation factor. (Table 44).

**Table 44**

### INCOME 1999

	Per Capital Income	Median Household Income
<b>Illinois</b>	\$23,104	\$46,590
<b>Sangamon County</b>	\$23,173	\$42,957
<b>Springfield</b>	\$23,324	\$39,388

### Income Distribution

There is a wide range of incomes in Sangamon County. Income distribution figures indicate that 26% of all households in Sangamon County had incomes under \$25,000, 31% of the county's households had incomes in the \$25,000-\$49,999 range, 21% between \$50,000-\$74,999, and 22% had incomes \$75,000 and above for 2000. (Table 45). (Figure 20).

Table 45

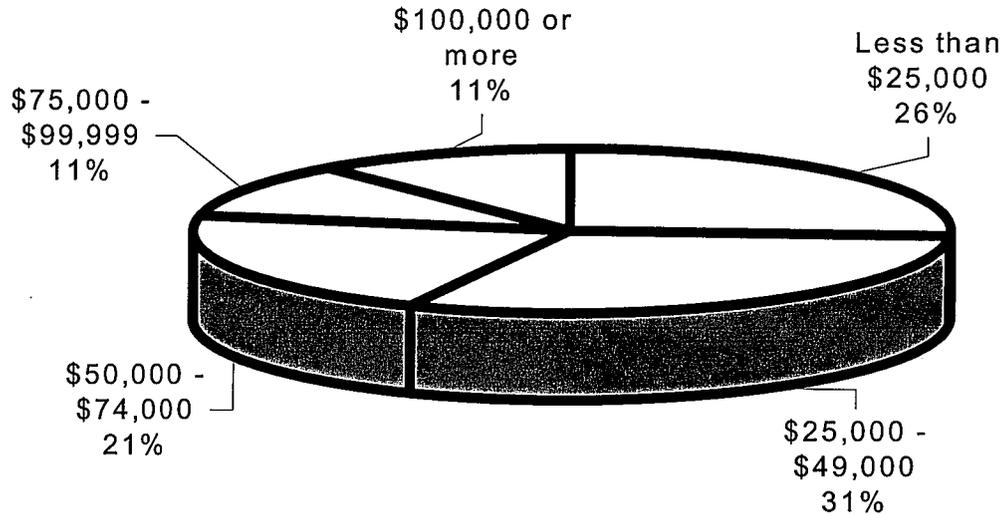
**HOUSEHOLD INCOME DISTRIBUTION**  
**Sangamon County**  
**1999**

	Total	% of Total
Less than \$10,000	5,642	7%
\$10,000 to \$14,999	4,813	6%
\$15,000 to \$19,999	4,962	6%
\$20,000 to \$24,999	5,337	7%
<b>Less than \$25,000</b>	<b>20,754</b>	<b>26%</b>
\$25,000 to \$29,999	5,056	6%
\$30,000 to \$34,999	5,490	7%
\$35,000 to \$39,999	4,995	6%
\$40,000 to \$44,999	4,854	6%
\$45,000 to \$49,999	4,253	5%
<b>\$25,000 to \$49,999</b>	<b>24,648</b>	<b>31%</b>
\$50,000 to \$59,999	7,588	10%
\$60,000 to \$74,999	8,967	11%
<b>\$50,000 to \$74,000</b>	<b>16,555</b>	<b>21%</b>
\$75,000 to \$99,999	8,532	11%
<b>\$75,000 to \$99,999</b>	<b>8,532</b>	<b>11%</b>
\$100,000 to \$124,999	3,840	5%
\$125,000 to \$149,999	1,745	2%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	1,263	2%
\$200,000 or more	1,444	2%
<b>\$100,000 or more</b>	<b>8,292</b>	<b>11%</b>
<b>TOTAL Households</b>	<b>78,781</b>	<b>100%</b>

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Source: 2000 U.S. Census

Figure 20

**HOUSEHOLD INCOME  
Sangamon County  
1999**



Income varies by household type. Family households have incomes that are almost twice the incomes of non-family households. (Table 46). A major reason for this difference in incomes is that 76% of families are married couple families with the potential for two earners. Conversely, 85% of non-family households are 1-person households which limits income opportunities.

Table 46

**MEDIAN INCOME  
1999**

	Total Households	Family Households	Non-Family Households
Illinois	\$46,590	\$55,545	\$28,368
Sangamon County	\$42,957	\$53,900	\$27,164
Springfield	\$39,388	\$51,298	\$26,315

Income varies in different geographic areas of Springfield. The lowest income households are located in the central and east areas of Springfield where 50% or more of the households earn less than \$25,000 per year. Sixty-five percent or more of the households in tracts 9, 14 and 15 are under that income level. (Table 47). (Figure 21). However, when examining household income

figures, the size of the household must be considered also. Over 50% of the households are one-person households in tracts 9, 13, 14, 15, 18 and 19 which do not have the income potential that a two or more person household does.

Higher income households are located generally in the west and in growing areas. In tracts 31 and 36.02 over one-half of the households earn \$75,000 or more per year. (Table 47). (Figure 22).

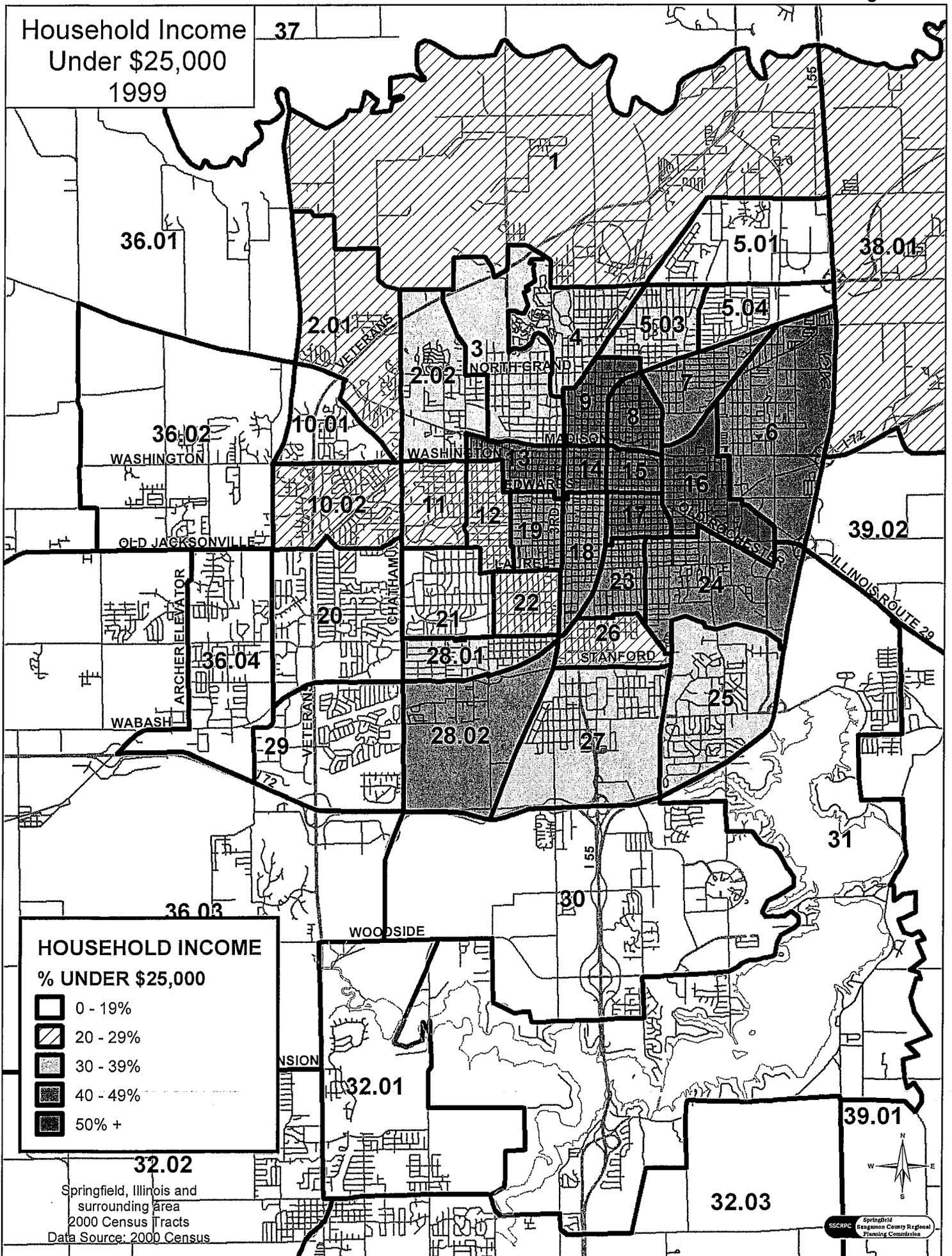
Table 48 contains detailed household information by tract.

**HOUSEHOLD INCOME DISTRIBUTION**  
**By Census Tract**  
**Sangamon County**  
**1999**

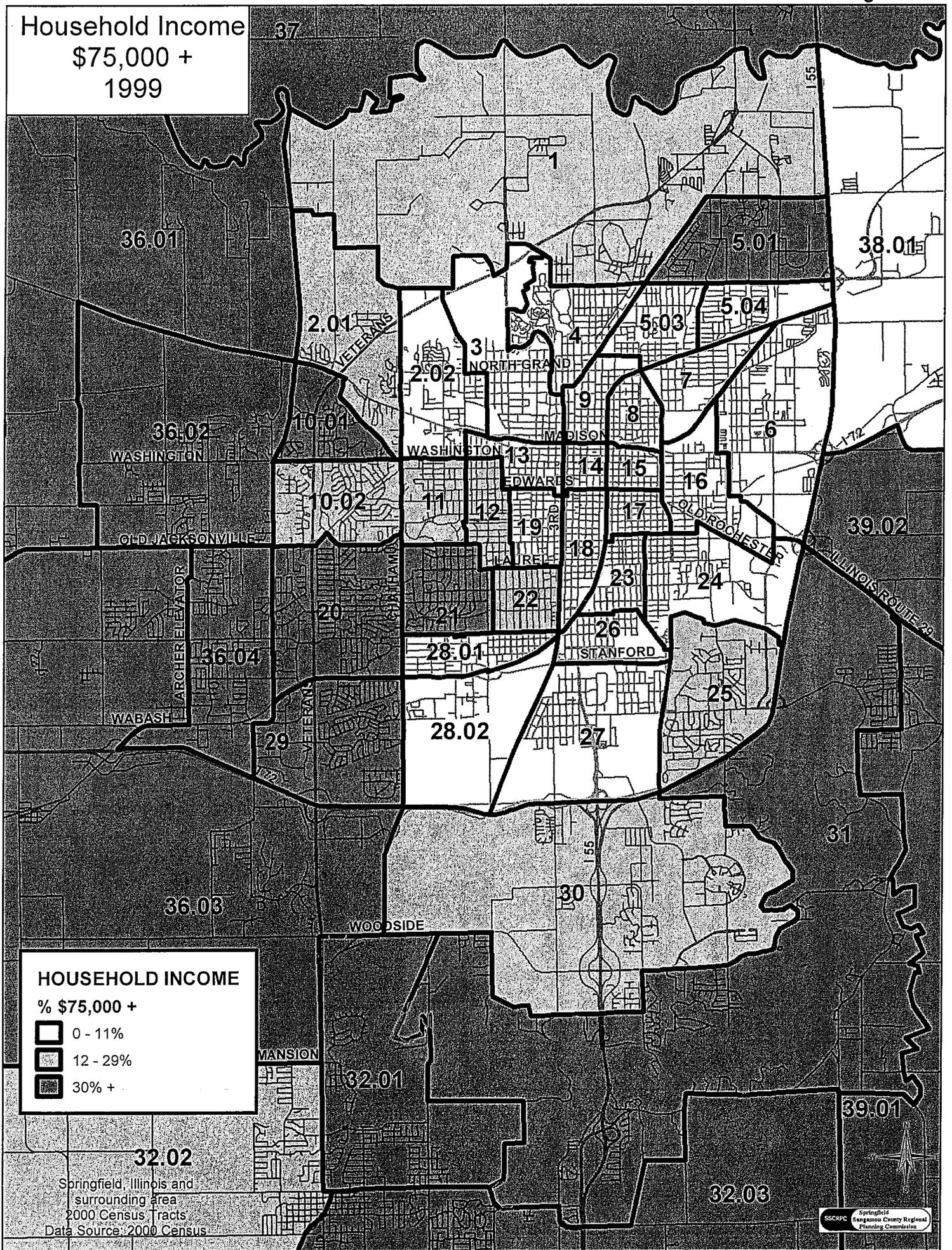
	Total	< \$25,000	%	\$25,000 to \$44,999	%	\$45,000 to \$74,999	%	over \$75,000	%
1	1,861	544	29%	518	28%	533	29%	266	14%
2.01	1,108	240	22%	393	35%	276	25%	199	18%
2.02	1,992	732	37%	768	39%	334	17%	158	8%
3	1,388	532	38%	471	34%	246	18%	139	10%
4	1,351	400	30%	417	31%	398	29%	136	10%
5.01	1,004	120	12%	194	19%	344	34%	346	34%
5.03	1,832	588	32%	597	33%	517	28%	130	7%
5.04	1,268	181	14%	426	34%	542	43%	119	9%
6	2,709	1,176	43%	837	31%	486	18%	210	8%
7	963	398	41%	292	30%	217	23%	56	6%
8	596	318	53%	193	32%	57	10%	28	5%
9	1,174	797	68%	185	16%	120	10%	72	6%
10.01	1,034	168	16%	266	26%	247	24%	353	34%
10.02	3,222	853	26%	930	29%	724	22%	715	22%
11	1,130	254	22%	274	24%	375	33%	227	20%
12	1,678	404	24%	560	33%	385	23%	329	20%
13	1,143	613	54%	265	23%	168	15%	97	8%
14	514	370	72%	56	11%	68	13%	20	4%
15	497	356	72%	84	17%	12	2%	45	9%
16	1,158	705	61%	286	25%	123	11%	44	4%
17	626	393	63%	135	22%	79	13%	19	3%
18	1,190	494	42%	314	26%	263	22%	119	10%
19	1,854	791	43%	526	28%	338	18%	199	11%
20	2,554	326	13%	429	17%	599	23%	1,200	47%
21	1,681	294	17%	346	21%	350	21%	691	41%
22	1,617	346	21%	463	29%	474	29%	334	21%
23	1,014	439	43%	307	30%	218	21%	50	5%
24	1,440	685	48%	409	28%	239	17%	107	7%
25	2,066	623	30%	552	27%	597	29%	294	14%
26	1,248	342	27%	449	36%	384	31%	73	6%
27	1,674	527	31%	535	32%	516	31%	96	6%
28.01	1,595	526	33%	544	34%	400	25%	125	8%
28.02	1,651	680	41%	619	37%	279	17%	73	4%
29	2,173	322	15%	473	22%	722	33%	656	30%
30	2,244	417	19%	605	27%	693	31%	529	24%
31	2,117	150	7%	275	13%	553	26%	1,139	54%
32.01	926	87	9%	119	13%	390	42%	330	36%
32.02	1,183	150	13%	283	24%	491	42%	259	22%
32.03	1,688	215	13%	360	21%	453	27%	660	39%
33	1,921	350	18%	499	26%	639	33%	433	23%
34	2,248	571	25%	561	25%	762	34%	354	16%
35	1,884	339	18%	553	29%	624	33%	368	20%
36.01	875	118	13%	141	16%	223	25%	393	45%
36.02	1,280	172	13%	189	15%	264	21%	655	51%
36.03	1,131	53	5%	204	18%	362	32%	512	45%
36.04	1,432	136	9%	295	21%	365	25%	636	44%
37	2,489	289	12%	415	17%	917	37%	868	35%
38.01	1,030	216	21%	323	31%	388	38%	103	10%
38.02	2,020	367	18%	511	25%	643	32%	499	25%
39.01	1,284	99	8%	273	21%	365	28%	547	43%
39.02	1,417	165	12%	311	22%	469	33%	472	33%
40	1,607	323	20%	365	23%	577	36%	342	21%
<b>Total</b>	<b>78,781</b>	<b>20,754</b>	<b>26%</b>	<b>20,395</b>	<b>26%</b>	<b>20,808</b>	<b>26%</b>	<b>16,824</b>	<b>21%</b>

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Source: 2000 U.S. Census

Figure 21



Household Income  
\$75,000 +  
1999



**HOUSEHOLD INCOME**  
**Sangamon County**  
**1999**

Census Tract	TOTAL	Less than \$10,000	\$10,000 to \$14,999	\$15,000 to \$19,999	\$20,000 to \$24,999	\$25,000 to \$29,999	\$30,000 to \$34,999	\$35,000 to \$39,999	\$40,000 to \$44,999	\$45,000 to \$49,999	\$50,000 to \$59,999	\$60,000 to \$74,999	\$75,000 to \$99,999	\$100,000 to \$124,999	\$125,000 to \$149,999	\$150,000 to \$199,999	\$200,000 or more
1	1,861	115	75	186	168	100	191	126	101	143	181	209	161	57	8	40	0
2.01	1,108	47	34	85	74	74	113	99	107	62	109	105	116	48	18	0	17
2.02	1,992	127	156	219	230	266	208	162	132	87	129	118	106	52	0	0	0
3	1,388	186	144	119	83	126	161	127	57	46	132	68	100	26	13	0	0
4	1,351	140	55	138	67	160	59	127	71	111	109	178	90	36	5	0	0
5.01	1,004	15	20	39	46	64	34	45	51	59	140	145	244	69	14	13	6
5.03	1,832	110	174	145	159	192	129	100	176	101	266	150	96	20	9	0	5
5.04	1,268	31	58	58	34	90	90	131	150	74	206	262	77	36	0	6	0
6	2,709	242	348	249	337	118	231	243	245	193	150	143	158	43	9	0	0
7	963	79	92	122	105	69	84	76	63	39	109	69	48	4	1	0	3
8	596	152	33	71	62	61	67	38	27	28	17	12	19	0	0	0	9
9	1,174	398	194	170	35	51	77	45	12	33	31	56	29	0	0	0	23
10.01	1,034	59	57	31	21	52	63	78	73	41	62	144	162	57	35	35	64
10.02	3,222	223	181	233	216	201	245	263	221	143	263	318	291	145	116	71	92
11	1,130	38	52	77	87	75	68	65	66	80	145	150	128	50	16	0	33
12	1,678	47	74	105	178	149	149	138	124	74	118	193	177	69	13	29	41
13	1,143	187	143	150	133	78	80	43	64	22	76	70	51	33	13	0	0
14	514	179	110	56	25	38	8	0	10	18	42	8	6	0	8	0	6
15	497	163	84	38	71	29	14	19	22	0	7	5	35	10	0	0	0
16	1,158	308	165	137	95	81	91	82	32	37	46	40	26	7	0	0	11
17	626	227	93	55	18	91	24	12	8	31	18	30	14	5	0	0	0
18	1,190	159	100	91	144	73	98	33	110	43	113	107	75	24	12	8	0
19	1,854	254	188	149	200	132	138	149	107	88	128	122	98	38	20	0	43
20	2,554	56	120	72	78	102	116	87	124	75	245	279	434	341	165	136	124
21	1,681	67	67	92	68	78	137	73	58	56	176	118	260	160	69	133	0
22	1,617	73	79	92	102	145	129	96	93	111	159	204	182	66	24	17	45
23	1,014	160	114	93	72	103	74	79	51	58	74	86	35	7	0	5	3
24	1,440	258	122	164	141	84	134	100	91	55	111	73	53	12	8	20	14
25	2,066	134	174	154	161	130	189	137	96	126	278	193	219	68	0	0	0
26	1,248	63	21	117	141	88	165	78	118	112	144	128	68	0	0	0	5
27	1,674	110	109	159	149	158	153	108	116	101	202	213	73	17	4	0	2
28.01	1,595	110	94	103	219	168	130	121	125	135	141	124	90	20	7	6	2
28.02	1,651	107	232	142	199	135	145	163	176	51	133	95	43	0	10	12	8
29	2,173	79	59	69	115	61	147	135	130	156	208	358	387	104	99	23	43
30	2,244	80	137	74	126	123	200	104	178	134	238	321	309	148	58	0	14
31	2,117	22	34	40	54	43	68	96	68	94	136	323	420	252	140	148	179
32.01	926	22	45	20	0	15	32	31	41	41	45	137	208	41	35	11	35
32.02	1,183	41	17	32	60	54	72	75	82	99	104	288	156	70	11	8	14
32.03	1,688	94	28	55	38	34	110	146	70	45	156	252	285	240	56	73	6
33	1,921	88	90	64	108	112	120	150	117	102	306	231	219	120	55	9	30
34	2,248	80	148	180	163	149	168	99	145	178	246	338	218	54	45	12	25
35	1,884	93	67	80	99	136	137	126	154	154	193	277	240	65	19	15	29
36.01	875	42	34	44	36	32	24	41	47	58	105	60	151	113	37	49	43
36.02	1,280	27	24	38	83	42	16	84	44	47	85	143	232	157	85	105	76
36.03	1,131	20	0	15	18	37	63	48	56	54	105	203	234	89	34	75	80
36.04	1,432	22	28	0	86	59	49	73	114	39	118	208	203	186	133	44	70
37	2,489	56	43	71	119	131	84	94	106	184	320	413	494	234	75	25	40
38.01	1,030	69	50	42	55	100	91	59	73	123	128	137	55	39	9	0	0
38.02	2,020	67	93	104	103	103	96	152	140	126	222	295	231	136	69	61	2
39.01	1,284	23	25	15	36	100	83	58	32	45	151	169	281	107	92	35	32
39.02	1,417	30	33	82	20	65	50	96	100	62	119	288	224	108	48	67	25
40	1,607	63	96	77	87	87	79	121	85	80	251	240	221	57	28	31	5
TOTAL	78,781	5,642	4,813	4,962	5,337	5,056	5,490	4,995	4,954	4,253	7,588	8,967	8,532	3,840	1,745	1,263	1,444

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Source: 2000 U.S. Census

### Income by Race

Income varies greatly between racial groups. Median income for Hawaiians is very high, however, the sample is very small. Whites have the next highest income at \$45,272. Blacks have the lowest median income at \$24,628. (Table 49).

**Table 49**

#### **MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME BY RACE Sangamon County 1999**

	<b>Median Income</b>	<b>Ratio to Total</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>42,957</b>	
White	45,272	1.05
Black	24,628	0.57
American Indian	26,406	0.61
Asian	42,417	0.99
Hawaiian	90,957	2.12
Other	34,625	0.81
Hispanic	31,464	0.73

The Black and American Indian racial categories have higher percentages of households at the lower income levels than the total population. Twenty-six percent of the total households make \$25,000 or less per year compared to 51% of Black households and 47% of American Indian households. At the higher income levels, Asians fare the best with 15% of Asian households making \$100,000 or more compared to 11% of the total population. (Table 50).

Table 50

**HOUSEHOLD INCOME DISTRIBUTION**  
**by Race**  
**Sangamon County**  
**1999**

	Total		White		Black		American Indian		Asian	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
Less than \$10,000	5,642	7%	3,962	6%	1,411	22%	2	1%	97	14%
\$10,000 to \$14,999	4,813	6%	3,936	6%	741	12%	49	29%	26	4%
\$15,000 to \$19,999	4,962	6%	4,289	6%	562	9%	17	10%	32	5%
\$20,000 to \$24,999	5,337	7%	4,724	7%	515	8%	13	8%	11	2%
<b>Less than \$25,000</b>	<b>20,754</b>	<b>26%</b>	<b>16,911</b>	<b>24%</b>	<b>3,229</b>	<b>51%</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>47%</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>25%</b>
\$25,000 to \$29,999	5,056	6%	4,381	6%	534	8%	8	5%	50	7%
\$30,000 to \$34,999	5,490	7%	4,853	7%	480	8%	18	11%	36	5%
\$35,000 to \$39,999	4,995	6%	4,580	6%	318	5%	15	9%	40	6%
\$40,000 to \$44,999	4,854	6%	4,364	6%	337	5%	0	0%	52	8%
\$45,000 to \$49,999	4,253	5%	3,977	6%	215	3%	9	5%	23	3%
<b>\$25,000 to \$49,999</b>	<b>24,648</b>	<b>31%</b>	<b>22,155</b>	<b>31%</b>	<b>1,884</b>	<b>30%</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>29%</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>30%</b>
\$50,000 to \$59,999	7,588	10%	7,214	10%	250	4%	18	11%	59	9%
\$60,000 to \$74,999	8,967	11%	8,500	12%	330	5%	5	3%	64	10%
<b>\$50,000 to \$74,000</b>	<b>16,555</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>15,714</b>	<b>22%</b>	<b>580</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>18%</b>
\$75,000 to \$99,999	8,532	11%	7,989	11%	441	7%	0	0%	80	12%
<b>\$75,000 to \$99,999</b>	<b>8,532</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>7,989</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>441</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>12%</b>
\$100,000 to \$124,999	3,840	5%	3,638	5%	121	2%	17	10%	28	4%
\$125,000 to \$149,999	1,745	2%	1,710	2%	25	0%	0	0%	5	1%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	1,263	2%	1,197	2%	20	0%	0	0%	34	5%
\$200,000 or more	1,444	2%	1,329	2%	81	1%	0	0%	34	5%
<b>\$100,000 or more</b>	<b>8,292</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>7,874</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>247</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>15%</b>
<b>TOTAL Households</b>	<b>78,781</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>70,643</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>6,381</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>671</b>	<b>100%</b>

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**Income by Age**

**Table 51**

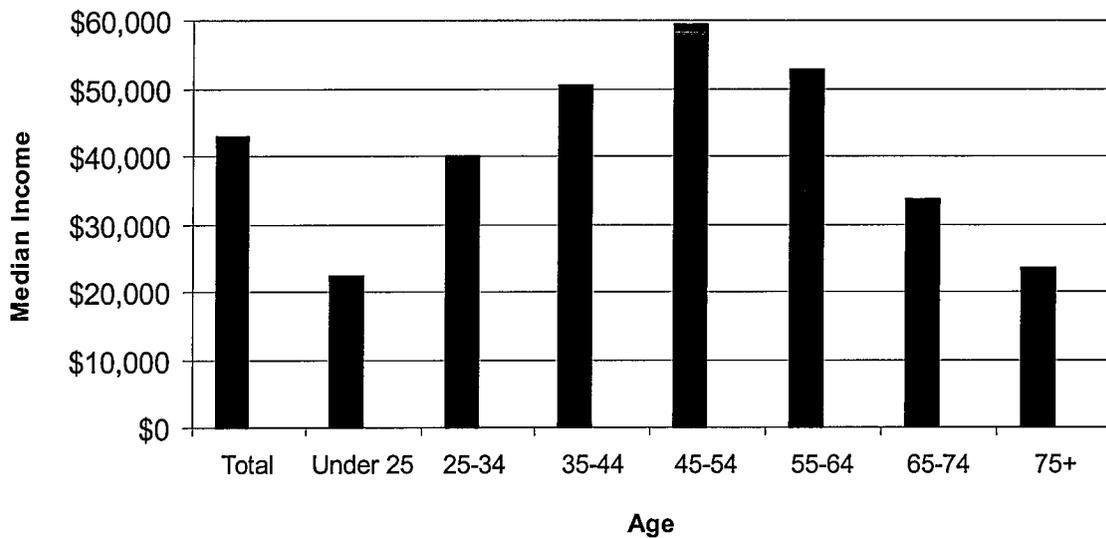
Income varies by age as well as by race. The distribution of household income by age shows that the lowest household incomes are in the youngest age group (under 25) and in the oldest age groups (65-74 and 75 & above). (Table 51). (Figure 23).

**MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME  
BY AGE OF HOUSEHOLDER  
Sangamon County  
1999**

	Median Income	Ratio to Total
<b>Total</b>	<b>42,957</b>	
Under 25 yrs.	22,366	0.52
25 to 34 yrs.	39,897	0.93
35 to 44 yrs	50,563	1.18
45 to 54 yrs.	59,565	1.39
55 to 64 yrs.	52,839	1.23
65 to 74 yrs.	33,670	0.78
75 yrs. & over	23,352	0.54

**Figure 23**

**MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME BY AGE  
SANGAMON COUNTY  
1999**



Median incomes generally start increasing in the 25-34 year age group with peak earnings occurring in the 45-54 age group. Incomes then start decreasing, presumably because of workers retiring. Over half (54%) of the young (under 25) and the elderly (75 & above) have incomes of less than \$25,000 compared to 15% in the 45-54 age group. Conversely, over 1/3 (36%) of the 45-54 age cohort makes \$75,000 or more compared to 4% and 8% respectively for the youngest and oldest age groups. (Table 52).

**INCOME DISTRIBUTION  
By Age  
Sangamon County  
1999**

	Total		Under 25 Years		25 to 34		35 to 44		45 to 54		55 to 64		65 to 74		75 and above	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
<b>Household Income</b>																
Less than \$10,000	5,642	7%	648	15%	848	7%	1,002	6%	748	4%	705	7%	786	9%	905	11%
\$10,000 to \$14,999	4,813	6%	567	14%	569	4%	695	4%	471	3%	446	4%	795	9%	1,270	15%
\$15,000 to \$19,999	4,962	6%	580	14%	786	6%	644	4%	622	4%	392	4%	697	8%	1,241	15%
\$20,000 to \$24,999	5,337	7%	488	12%	982	8%	802	4%	737	4%	438	4%	819	9%	1,071	13%
<b>Less than \$25,000</b>	<b>20,754</b>	<b>26%</b>	<b>2,283</b>	<b>54%</b>	<b>3,185</b>	<b>25%</b>	<b>3,143</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>2,578</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>1,981</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>3,097</b>	<b>36%</b>	<b>4,487</b>	<b>54%</b>
\$25,000 to \$29,999	5,056	6%	499	12%	964	8%	979	5%	689	4%	583	6%	738	8%	604	7%
\$30,000 to \$34,999	5,490	7%	356	8%	1,076	8%	1,337	7%	835	5%	592	6%	682	8%	612	7%
\$35,000 to \$39,999	4,995	6%	254	6%	1,136	9%	1,117	6%	805	5%	512	5%	631	7%	540	6%
\$40,000 to \$44,999	4,854	6%	230	5%	970	8%	1,178	7%	1,045	6%	552	5%	516	6%	363	4%
\$45,000 to \$49,999	4,253	5%	142	3%	881	7%	1,056	6%	915	5%	629	6%	394	5%	236	3%
<b>\$25,000 to \$49,999</b>	<b>24,648</b>	<b>31%</b>	<b>1,481</b>	<b>35%</b>	<b>5,027</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>5,667</b>	<b>32%</b>	<b>4,239</b>	<b>26%</b>	<b>2,868</b>	<b>28%</b>	<b>2,961</b>	<b>34%</b>	<b>2,355</b>	<b>28%</b>
\$50,000 to \$59,999	7,588	10%	145	3%	1,473	12%	2,323	13%	1,518	9%	1,074	10%	650	7%	405	5%
\$60,000 to \$74,999	8,967	11%	133	3%	1,544	12%	2,470	14%	2,369	14%	1,310	13%	746	9%	395	5%
<b>\$50,000 to \$74,999</b>	<b>16,555</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>278</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>3,017</b>	<b>24%</b>	<b>4,793</b>	<b>27%</b>	<b>3,887</b>	<b>23%</b>	<b>2,384</b>	<b>23%</b>	<b>1,396</b>	<b>16%</b>	<b>800</b>	<b>10%</b>
\$75,000 to \$99,999	8,532	11%	78	2%	1,027	8%	2,419	13%	2,779	17%	1,364	13%	608	7%	257	3%
<b>\$75,000 to \$99,999</b>	<b>8,532</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>1,027</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>2,419</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>2,779</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>1,364</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>608</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>257</b>	<b>3%</b>
\$100,000 to \$124,999	3,840	5%	45	1%	214	2%	792	4%	1,679	10%	695	7%	248	3%	167	2%
\$125,000 to \$149,999	1,745	2%	27	1%	75	1%	467	3%	573	3%	332	3%	136	2%	135	2%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	1,263	2%	0	0%	61	0%	295	2%	485	3%	302	3%	84	1%	36	0%
\$200,000 or more	1,444	2%	0	0%	67	1%	384	2%	376	2%	326	3%	171	2%	120	1%
<b>\$100,000 or more</b>	<b>8,292</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>417</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>1,938</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>3,113</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>1,655</b>	<b>16%</b>	<b>639</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>458</b>	<b>5%</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>78,781</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>4,192</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>12,673</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>17,960</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>16,646</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>10,252</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>8,701</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>8,357</b>	<b>100%</b>
over \$50,000 *	33,379	42%	428	10%	4,461	35%	9,150	51%	9,779	59%	5,403	53%	2,643	30%	1,515	18%
over \$75,000 *	16,824	21%	150	4%	1,444	11%	4,357	24%	5,892	35%	3,019	29%	1,247	14%	715	9%

\* cumulative

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Source: 2000 U.S. Census

Table 52

**Income by Family Type**

Income varies by family type with married couple families having the highest median income. Female householders have the lowest median family income. Female householders with children have a median income of \$21,877, about 1/3 of the income of married couples with children. (Table 53).

**Table 53**

**MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME BY FAMILY TYPE  
By Presence of Own Children Under 18 Years  
Sangamon County  
1999**

	Median Income	Ratio to Total
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$53,900</b>	
<b>Married Couple Family</b>		
Total	62,384	1.16
With own children under 18 years	64,721	1.20
No own children under 18 years	60,778	1.13
<b>Other Family</b>		
Total	28,825	0.53
<b>Male householder, no wife present</b>		
Total	33,960	0.63
With own children under 18 years	28,942	0.54
No own children under 18 years	44,944	0.83
<b>Female householder, no husband present</b>		
Total	27,104	0.50
With own children under 18 years	21,877	0.41
No own children under 18 years	36,779	0.68

## Poverty Status

The U.S. Census defines poverty level as income below three times the cost of an economy food plan as defined by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Poverty level income varies according to the number and age of persons in the household. The average poverty thresholds in 1999 by size of family and the number of related children under 18 are as follows:

<u>Size of Family Unit</u>	<u>Income</u>
One Person (unrelated individual)	\$ 8,501
Two Persons	10,869
Three Persons	13,290
Four Persons	17,029
Five Persons	20,127
Six Persons	22,727
Seven Persons	25,912
Eight Persons	28,967
Nine or More Persons	34,417

Total figures for persons below poverty level include only persons for whom poverty status is determined. Excluded from these figures are institutionalized persons, persons in military group quarters, students in college dormitories and unrelated individuals under 15 years old.

Poverty decreased slightly in Springfield and Sangamon County between 1990-2000. Not only did the number of persons living in poverty decrease, the poverty rate decreased also. In Springfield, the proportion of the total population below poverty level decreased from 12.6 in 1990 to 11.7 in 2000. The poverty rate also decreased in the past decade at the state and national levels. (Table 54).

**Table 54**

### **POVERTY STATUS Persons Below Poverty Level**

	1990		2000		Difference	% Change
	#	%	#	%		
<b>Springfield City</b>	13,065	12.6	12,847	11.7	-218	-2
<b>Sangamon County</b>	17,383	9.9	17,340	9.3	-43	0
<b>Illinois</b>	1,326,731	11.9	1,291,958	10.7	-34,773	-3
<b>United States</b>	31,742,864	13.1	33,899,812	12.4	2,156,948	7

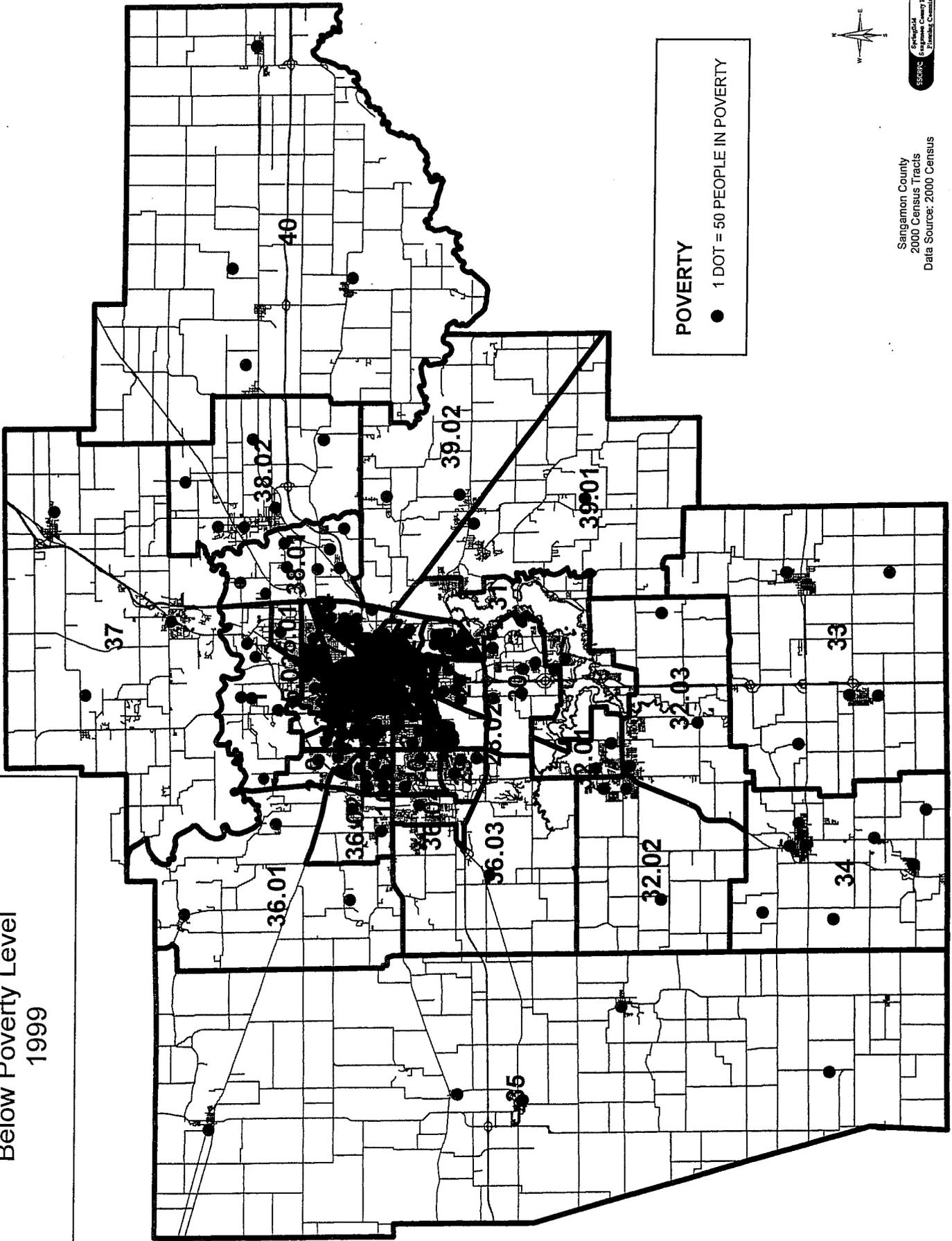
No area of the city or county is immune from poverty. People in poverty are dispersed throughout the community. (Figures 24 and 25). In half of the census tracts, the number of people living in poverty increased and in half the number decreased. (Table 55). However, poverty is still concentrated in the central and eastern portions of Springfield. One in 4 persons (25% or more) lives below the poverty level in tracts 8, 9, 14, 15, 16, 17, and 24. Tract 17 has the highest poverty rate at 58%, followed by tracts 9 and 16 at 39%. The lowest poverty rate is in tract 31, where less than 1% live in poverty. (Table 56). (Figures 26 and 27).

Poverty rates increased in about ½ of the census tracts. Of particular concern is tract 17 in which the poverty rate increased from 37% to 55% in the decade. In tracts 7 and 12 the poverty rates were 7% in 1990, below the city average of 9.3%. In 2000, the poverty levels in these two tracts were 12% and 14%, respectively. Poverty decreased substantially in tract 8, from 42% to 28%, and in tract 15, from 71% to 27%.

Townships having the highest proportions of persons below poverty level are Capital at 12% and Maxwell at 11%. (Table 57).



Persons Living in Households with Income Below Poverty Level  
1999



**POVERTY STATUS**  
**Persons Living in Households with Income Below Poverty Level**  
**Sangamon County**

Tract	1980	1990	2000	Difference 1990-2000	% Change 1990-2000
1	332	536	310	-226	-42.2%
2	310	755	----	-318	-42.1%
2.01	----	-----	116	----	----
2.02	-----	-----	321	----	----
3	482	530	495	-35	-6.6%
4	372	468	333	-135	-28.8%
5	529	----	----	----	----
5.01	----	62	44	-18	-29.0%
5.02	----	244	----	175	71.7%
5.03	----	----	379	----	----
5.04	----	----	40	----	----
6	611	851	853	2	0.2%
7	347	168	280	112	66.7%
8	1,293	1,167	494	-673	-57.7%
9	865	910	939	29	3.2%
10	158	153	----	349	228.1%
10.01	----	----	108	----	----
10.02	----	----	394	----	----
11	156	156	190	34	21.8%
12	326	268	155	-113	-42.2%
13	410	508	348	-160	-31.5%
14	134	247	182	-65	-26.3%
15	385	828	268	-560	-67.6%
16	988	1,295	1,327	32	2.5%
17	838	732	1,074	342	46.7%
18	417	485	350	-135	-27.8%
19	418	548	469	-79	-14.4%
20	70	18	102	84	466.7%
21	47	98	162	64	65.3%
22	113	129	228	99	76.7%
23	459	693	612	-81	-11.7%
24	890	1,159	1,202	43	3.7%
25	189	295	675	380	128.8%
26	244	372	273	-99	-26.6%
27	258	316	290	-26	-8.2%
28	277	472	----	371	78.6%
28.01	----	----	381	----	----
28.02	----	----	462	----	----
29	13	166	191	25	15.1%
30	109	58	287	229	394.8%
31	124	61	52	-9	-14.8%
32	343	88	----	322	365.9%
32.01	----	----	109	----	----
32.02	----	----	137	----	----
32.03	----	----	164	----	----
33	222	287	293	6	2.1%
34	435	507	406	-101	-19.9%
35	386	429	256	-173	-40.3%
36	258	129	----	193	149.6%
36.01	----	----	131	----	----
36.02	----	----	87	----	----
36.03	----	----	64	----	----
36.04	----	----	40	----	----
37	167	250	159	-91	-36.4%
38	475	549	----	131	23.9%
38.01	----	----	382	----	----
38.02	----	----	298	----	----
39	176	101	----	108	106.9%
39.01	----	----	94	----	----
39.02	----	----	115	----	----
40	413	295	219	-76	-25.8%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>15,039</b>	<b>17,383</b>	<b>17,340</b>	<b>-43</b>	<b>-0.2%</b>

\* --- data not available because Census Tract was split

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Source: 2000 U.S. Census

**POVERTY RATE**  
**% of Population Below Poverty Level**  
**Sangamon County**

Census Tract	1980	1990	2000
1	8.3	12.6	7.3
2	4.7	11.2	6.7
2.01	----	----	4.9
2.02	----	----	7.8
3	11.8	14.8	16.4
4	10.1	13.2	11.2
5	5.0	3.1	4.7
5.01	----	3.0	1.8
5.02	----	3.2	5.6
5.03	----	----	9.1
5.04	----	----	1.2
6	9.5	14.5	14.4
7	13.2	6.9	12.3
8	37.7	42.2	28.2
9	24.5	31.4	39.4
10	2.2	1.8	5.9
10.01	----	----	4.5
10.02	----	----	6.5
11	6.0	6.1	7.9
12	8.1	6.9	4.3
13	15.6	21.7	18.2
14	36.2	35.7	31.4
15	32.9	70.9	26.7
16	23.0	30.7	39.8
17	35.7	37.1	57.9
18	12.0	17.5	15.6
19	9.8	13.9	13.0
20	1.8	0.4	1.7
21	1.1	2.5	4.4
22	2.9	3.4	6.7
23	14.8	23.2	23.0
24	20.5	27.0	31.3
25	4.2	6.5	13.6
26	7.4	11.9	9.8
27	6.2	7.8	8.3
28	4.6	8.2	12.7
28.01	----	----	11.0
28.02	----	----	14.7
29	0.3	3.3	3.7
30	5.5	1.8	5.9
31	2.9	1.3	0.9
32	4.9	1.2	3.9
32.01	----	----	4.2
32.02	----	----	4.2
32.03	----	----	3.5
33	4.8	6.2	5.9
34	8.9	9.9	6.9
35	8.2	9.8	5.3
36	5.1	2.0	2.6
36.01	----	----	5.2
36.02	----	----	2.7
36.03	----	----	2.0
36.04	----	----	1.2
37	3.4	4.5	2.3
38	6.8	7.3	8.4
38.01	----	----	13.2
38.02	----	----	5.7
39	3.0	1.6	2.8
39.01	----	----	2.6
39.02	----	----	3.0
40	9.0	6.8	5.3
TOTAL	8.5	9.9	9.3

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Source: 2000 U.S. Census

Figure 26

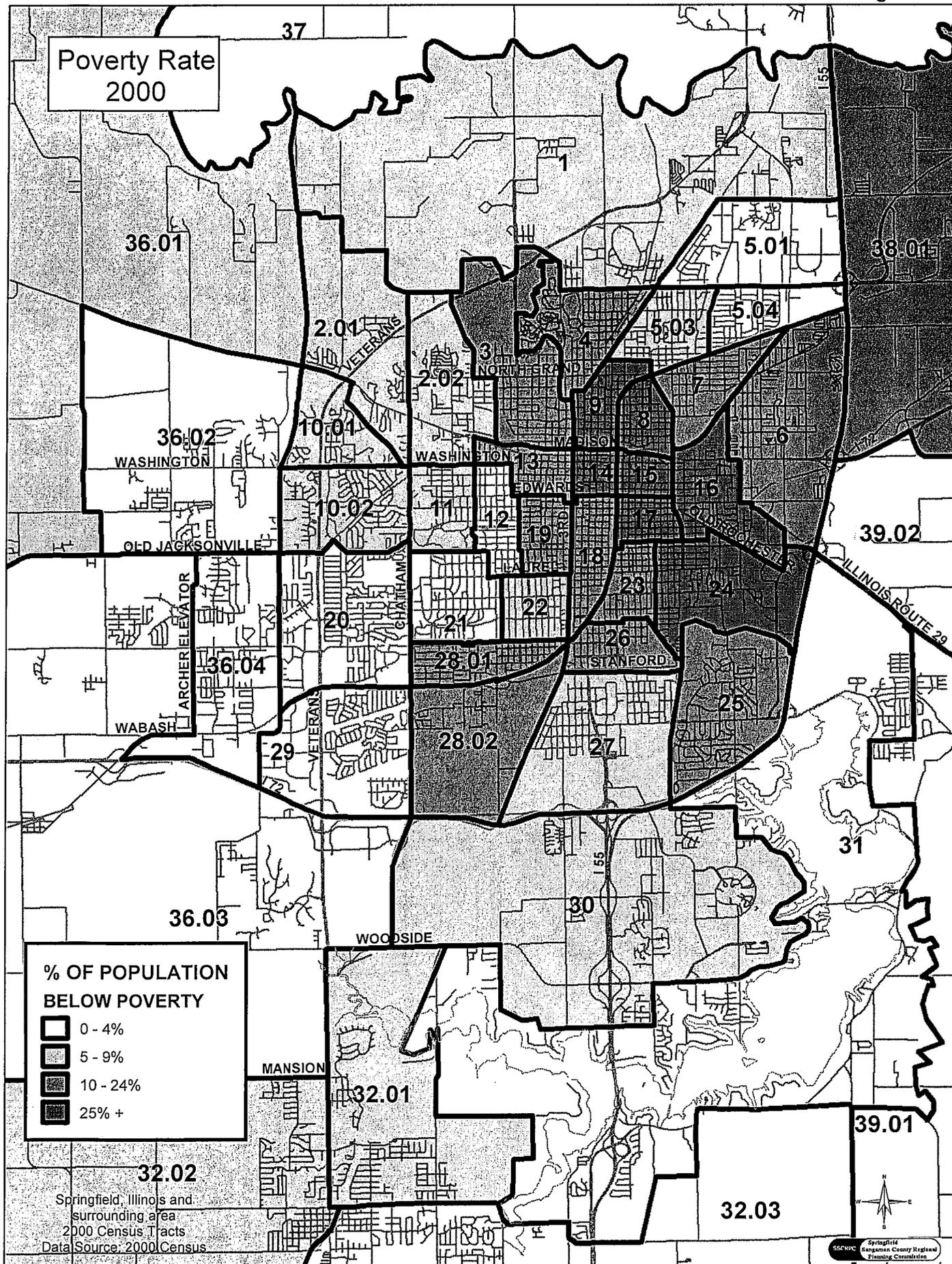
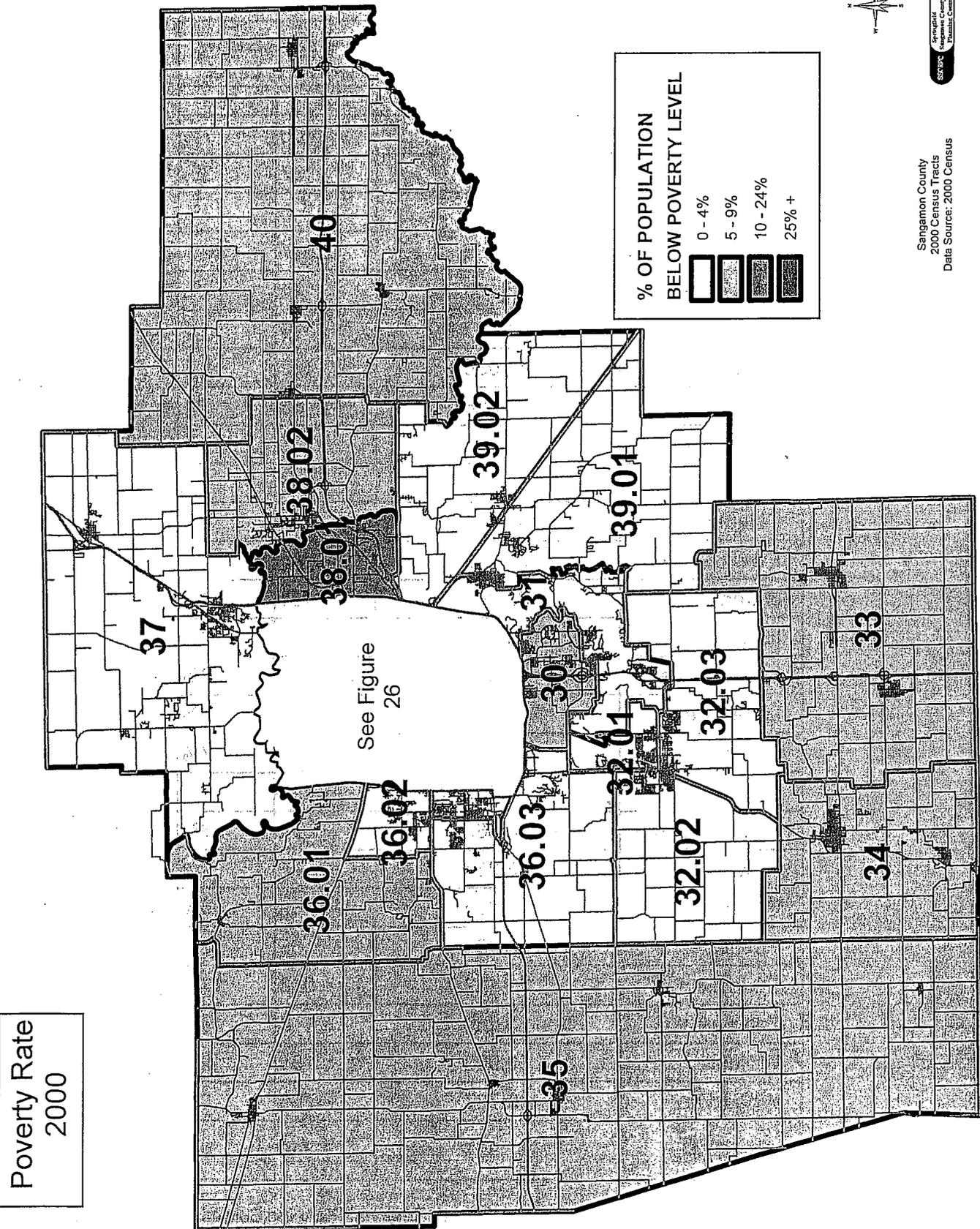


Figure 27



**INCOME & POVERTY  
By Township  
Sangamon County  
2000**

Township	Median Household Income 1999	Persons Below Poverty Level	
	\$	#	%
Auburn	44,464	406	7%
Ball	71,119	137	3%
Buffalo Hart	63,917	5	2%
Capital	39,406	12,847	12%
Cartwright	52,188	41	3%
Chatham	51,089	310	5%
Clear Lake	50,038	682	8%
Cooper	70,588	63	7%
Cotton Hill	55,117	46	5%
Curran	61,319	56	3%
Divernon	47,434	87	6%
Fancy Creek	61,758	97	2%
Gardner	65,089	161	4%
Illiopolis	50,729	33	3%
Island Grove	45,000	28	6%
Lanesville	52,266	18	9%
Loami	47,697	82	7%
Maxwell	42,422	20	11%
Mechanicsburg	44,583	122	6%
New Berlin	43,281	85	7%
Pawnee	51,366	169	6%
Rochester	60,904	85	2%
Springfield	32,419	913	14%
Talkington	33,269	0	0%
Williams	60,000	81	2%
Woodside	40,787	766	6%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>42,957</b>	<b>17,340</b>	<b>9%</b>

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Source: 2000 U.S. Census

Poverty rates vary according to race and age. While 6% of the whites in Sangamon County in 2000 are below poverty level, 35% of the blacks are below poverty level. The proportion of people living in poverty between 1990-2000 decreased for all racial groups except Asians. The poverty rate for Asians increased from 11% to 14%. The number of people living in poverty decreased for whites and American Indians. (Table 58).

**Table 58**

**POVERTY LEVEL BY RACE  
Sangamon County**

Race	1980		1990		2000		1990-2000	
	Below Poverty Level		Below Poverty Level		Below Poverty Level		Difference	% Change
	#	%	#	%	#	%		
White	11,220	7	11,360	7	10,371	6	-989	-9
Black	3,554	31	5,460	39	5,996	35	536	10
American Indian	72	22	115	33	60	16	-55	-48
Asian	165	18	138	11	271	14	133	96

The poverty rate for age 18 to 64 is 8% in 2000 showing very little change since 1980. However, the number of persons age 18-64 below poverty level has increased 26%. The poverty rate for persons 65 has continued to decline from 13% in 1980 to 10% in 1990 to 7% in 2000. There has been a 24% decrease in the number of older persons below poverty level despite a 4% increase in the total population in this age category. (Table 59).

**Table 59**

**COMPARISON OF GROWTH RATES  
Total Population & Persons Below Poverty  
Sangamon County  
1990-2000**

Age	Total Population	Persons Below Poverty Level
0-17 yrs.	4%	0%
18-64 yrs.	7%	7%
65+ yrs.	4%	-24%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>0%</b>

Of special concern when reviewing poverty status in Sangamon County is the number of children below poverty level. Children (0-17 years) have the highest poverty rate of any age group in Sangamon County. About one in 8 children lives in poverty in Sangamon County. This rate has decreased slightly since 1990. (Table 60).

**Table 60**

**POVERTY RATES BY AGE  
Sangamon County  
1980-2000**

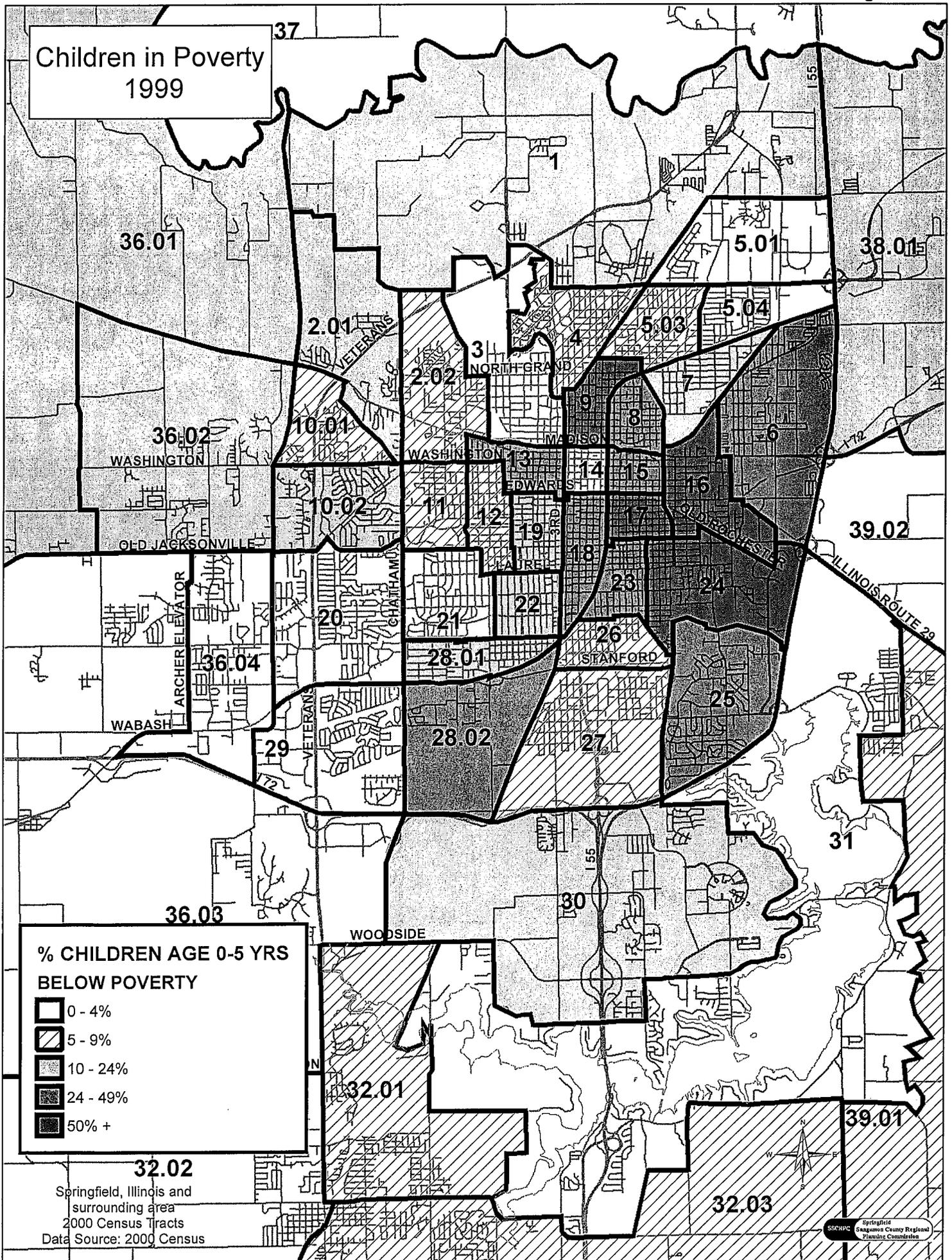
<b>Age</b>	<b>1980</b>	<b>1990</b>	<b>2000</b>
0-17 yrs.	11%	14%	13%
18-64 yrs.	7%	8%	8%
65+ yrs.	13%	10%	7%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>9%</b>

The poverty rate for young children 5 years and under is 16% compared to 9% for the total population. In four central and eastern urban census tracts, over ½ of the children age 0-5 years old live in poverty. At least one in four 0-5 year olds live in poverty in eight additional tracts. (Table 61). (Figure 28).

**POVERTY RATES BY AGE**  
**% of Age Group Below Poverty Level**  
**Sangamon County**  
**2000**

Census Tract	5 Years & Under	6 to 17 Years	18 to 64 Years	65 Years & Over	Total
1	12.6	10.0	5.6	9.0	7.3
2.01	14.5	4.6	4.1	3.9	4.9
2.02	9.2	7.7	8.8	1.8	7.8
3	0.0	25.9	16.7	11.5	16.4
4	5.5	16.0	11.3	8.8	11.2
5.01	0.0	0.0	2.3	2.6	1.8
5.03	8.4	13.7	8.1	8.8	9.1
5.04	0.0	0.0	1.4	3.8	1.2
6	29.0	21.8	13.0	5.7	14.4
7	14.9	15.6	11.5	11.2	12.3
8	30.5	34.8	28.0	10.6	28.2
9	72.9	55.1	33.7	34.0	39.4
10.01	6.2	6.0	3.6	5.0	4.5
10.02	17.9	3.7	6.0	6.8	6.5
11	9.4	5.5	4.1	21.2	7.9
12	7.2	2.3	5.0	0.0	4.3
13	25.7	15.8	20.5	2.1	18.2
14	0.0	53.8	36.5	11.1	31.4
15	46.2	15.7	28.4	26.6	26.7
16	67.7	47.4	34.1	12.6	39.8
17	88.6	65.0	53.0	33.1	57.9
18	39.7	24.8	13.4	3.0	15.6
19	15.4	15.5	13.0	8.4	13.0
20	2.9	1.9	0.9	3.2	1.7
21	2.7	5.3	4.5	4.1	4.4
22	15.9	11.5	5.2	3.5	6.7
23	37.4	32.4	20.0	6.7	23.0
24	51.1	48.2	23.7	17.2	31.3
25	30.6	18.2	12.3	4.3	13.6
26	5.8	20.0	9.8	1.7	9.8
27	7.4	12.7	8.6	3.9	8.3
28.01	20.3	13.3	9.7	8.7	11.0
28.02	30.9	29.1	10.8	4.8	14.7
29	1.8	2.6	4.4	2.9	3.7
30	12.5	5.0	5.7	4.3	5.9
31	0.0	0.9	1.0	0.9	0.9
32.01	7.1	8.2	2.8	0.0	4.2
32.02	2.8	4.0	4.5	4.0	4.2
32.03	6.0	1.3	3.4	8.1	3.5
33	15.6	6.0	4.7	5.4	5.9
34	8.3	8.5	6.4	5.6	6.9
35	7.0	5.2	4.4	8.4	5.3
36.01	9.4	2.4	6.1	0.0	5.2
36.02	11.2	2.7	2.4	0.0	2.7
36.03	0.0	2.3	1.9	4.2	2.0
36.04	0.0	0.0	1.2	3.9	1.2
37	1.1	2.6	1.5	6.8	2.3
38.01	13.3	4.4	10.9	39.8	13.2
38.02	8.5	8.2	4.1	8.8	5.7
39.01	5.9	3.3	2.4	0.0	2.6
39.02	3.4	4.0	3.0	0.8	3.0
40	8.8	6.4	4.5	6.1	5.3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>16.1</b>	<b>12.0</b>	<b>8.2</b>	<b>7.3</b>	<b>9.3</b>

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# EMPLOYMENT

The number of employed persons living in Sangamon County increased 6% in the last decade from 91,949 persons to 97,526 persons. (Table 62).

Employed persons included in the following tables are civilians

16 years and over, working either full- or part-time. Three hundred thirty-three persons were in the military in 2000 in the county.

**Table 62**

**EMPLOYED PERSONS (16 Yrs. & Over)  
% Change  
1990-2000**

	1990	2000	% Change
<b>Illinois</b>	5,417,967	5,833,185	7.7%
<b>Sangamon County</b>	91,949	97,526	6.1%
<b>Springfield</b>	53,528	56,704	5.9%

## Occupation

The major occupation category or type of job in the county is management, professional and related occupations accounting for 39% of employed persons or 38,335 jobs followed by sales and office occupations employing 30% or 29,152 persons. Sangamon County and the City of Springfield have significantly higher percentages of persons in management and professional occupations than the state, and lower percentages, by ½, than the state in production, transportation and material moving. (Table 63).

**Table 63**

**OCCUPATION  
Employed Persons 16 & Over  
2000**

	Illinois		Sangamon County		Springfield	
	#	%	#	%	#	%
Management, Professional & Related	1,993,671	34%	38,335	39%	22,856	40%
Service	813,479	14%	14,166	15%	8,822	16%
Sales & Office	1,609,939	28%	29,152	30%	16,982	30%
Farming, Fishing & Forestry	17,862	0%	258	0%	29	0%
Construction, Extraction & Maintenance	480,418	8%	7,578	8%	3,634	6%
Production, Transportation & Material Moving	917,816	16%	8,037	8%	4,381	8%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5,833,185</b>		<b>97,526</b>		<b>56,704</b>	

The system used to classify occupations has changed since 1990 making direct comparisons difficult. However, it appears that the percentage of employed persons working in management, business and financial occupations has continued to increase slightly. The rate of people working in professional and related occupations has increased from 20% to 24% from 1990-2000. Office and administrative support workers have declined from 23% to 20%.

Detailed occupation breakdowns are found in Table 64. Table 65 contains occupation information by census tract.

**OCCUPATION**  
**Employed Persons 16 Years & Over**  
**By Sex**  
**Sangamon County**  
**2000**

Occupation	Male		Female		Total	
	#	%	#	%	#	%
	48,984		48,542		97,526	
<b>MANAGEMENT, PROFESSIONAL &amp; RELATED OCCUPATIONS:</b>	<b>18,353</b>	<b>37%</b>	<b>19,982</b>	<b>41%</b>	<b>38,335</b>	<b>39%</b>
<b>Management, business, &amp; financial operations occupations:</b>	<b>8,559</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>6,738</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>15,297</b>	<b>16%</b>
Management occupations, except farmers & farm managers	5,376	11%	3,626	7%	9,002	9%
Farmers & farm managers	432	1%	46	0%	478	0%
Business & financial operations occupations:	2,751	6%	3,066	6%	5,817	6%
Business operations specialists	1,135	2%	1,277	3%	2,412	2%
Financial specialists	1,616	3%	1,789	4%	3,405	3%
<b>Professional &amp; related occupations:</b>	<b>9,794</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>13,244</b>	<b>27%</b>	<b>23,038</b>	<b>24%</b>
Computer & mathematical occupations	2,481	5%	1,085	2%	3,566	4%
Architecture & engineering occupations:	1,514	3%	249	1%	1,763	2%
Architects, surveyors, cartographers, & engineers	1,123	2%	156	0%	1,279	1%
Drafters, engineering, & mapping technicians	391	1%	93	0%	484	0%
Life, physical, & social science occupations	529	1%	456	1%	985	1%
Community & social services occupations	742	2%	1,222	3%	1,964	2%
Legal occupations	763	2%	788	2%	1,551	2%
Education, training, & library occupations	1,300	3%	4,010	8%	5,310	5%
Arts, design, entertainment, sports, & media occupations	914	2%	786	2%	1,700	2%
Healthcare practitioners & technical occupations:	1,551	3%	4,648	10%	6,199	6%
Health diagnosing & treating practitioners & technical occupations	1,234	3%	2,988	6%	4,222	4%
Health technologists & technicians	317	1%	1,660	3%	1,977	2%
<b>SERVICE OCCUPATIONS</b>	<b>6,865</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>7,301</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>14,166</b>	<b>15%</b>
Healthcare support occupations	258	1%	1,432	3%	1,690	2%
Protective service occupations:	1,853	4%	480	1%	2,333	2%
Fire fighting, prevention, & law enforcement workers, including supervisors	1,251	3%	315	1%	1,566	2%
Other protective service workers, including supervisors	602	1%	165	0%	767	1%
Food preparation & serving related occupations	2,360	5%	2,148	4%	4,508	5%
Building & grounds cleaning & maintenance occupations	1,926	4%	1,028	2%	2,954	3%
Personal care & service occupations	468	1%	2,213	5%	2,681	3%
<b>SALES &amp; OFFICE OCCUPATIONS</b>	<b>9,828</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>19,324</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>29,152</b>	<b>30%</b>
Sales & related occupations	4,981	10%	4,548	9%	9,529	10%
Office & administrative support occupations	4,847	10%	14,776	30%	19,623	20%
<b>FARMING, FISHING &amp; FORESTRY OCCUPATIONS</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>258</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>CONSTRUCTION, EXTRACTION &amp; MAINTENANCE OCCUPATIONS</b>	<b>7,271</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>307</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>7,578</b>	<b>8%</b>
<b>Construction &amp; extraction occupations:</b>	<b>4,279</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>4,366</b>	<b>4%</b>
Supervisors, construction & extraction workers	405	1%	0	0%	405	0%
Construction trades workers	3,795	8%	87	0%	3,882	4%
Extraction workers	79	0%	0	0%	79	0%
Installation, maintenance, & repair occupations	2,992	6%	220	0%	3,212	3%
<b>PRODUCTION, TRANSPORTATION &amp; MATERIAL MOVING OCCUPATIONS</b>	<b>6,440</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>1,597</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>8,037</b>	<b>8%</b>
<b>Production occupations</b>	<b>2,720</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>1,084</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>3,804</b>	<b>4%</b>
<b>Transportation &amp; material moving occupations:</b>	<b>3,720</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>513</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>4,233</b>	<b>4%</b>
Supervisors, transportation & material moving workers	97	0%	41	0%	138	0%
Aircraft & traffic control occupations	38	0%	14	0%	52	0%
Motor vehicle operators	2,211	5%	288	1%	2,499	3%
Rail, water & other transportation occupations	206	0%	37	0%	243	0%
Material moving workers	1,168	2%	133	0%	1,301	1%

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Table 65

**OCCUPATION**  
**Employed Persons 16 Years & Over**  
**by Census Tract**  
**Sangamon County**  
**2000**

Census Tract	Total	Management, professional, and related occupations		Service occupations		Sales and office occupations		Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations		Construction, extraction, and maintenance occupations		Production, Transportation & Material Moving	
1	2,196	566	26%	364	17%	757	34%	0	0%	258	12%	251	11%
2.01	1,394	503	36%	170	12%	541	39%	0	0%	101	7%	79	6%
2.02	2,170	538	25%	431	20%	787	36%	0	0%	137	6%	277	13%
3	1,371	306	22%	262	19%	487	36%	0	0%	142	10%	174	13%
4	1,489	478	32%	221	15%	550	37%	0	0%	137	9%	103	7%
5.01	1,312	515	39%	215	16%	342	26%	0	0%	84	6%	156	12%
5.03	2,119	514	24%	443	21%	681	32%	0	0%	205	10%	276	13%
5.04	1,806	605	33%	246	14%	586	32%	0	0%	180	10%	189	10%
6	2,871	589	21%	601	21%	916	32%	0	0%	352	12%	413	14%
7	1,050	158	15%	240	23%	361	34%	4	0%	136	13%	151	14%
8	605	107	18%	221	37%	129	21%	0	0%	38	6%	110	18%
9	962	209	22%	225	23%	300	31%	0	0%	54	6%	174	18%
10.01	1,284	702	55%	132	10%	320	25%	0	0%	48	4%	82	6%
10.02	3,417	1,908	56%	365	11%	897	26%	0	0%	146	4%	101	3%
11	1,308	696	53%	118	9%	307	23%	0	0%	158	12%	29	2%
12	2,162	970	45%	239	11%	620	29%	5	0%	168	8%	160	7%
13	1,070	331	31%	169	16%	390	36%	0	0%	87	8%	93	9%
14	257	117	46%	74	29%	44	17%	0	0%	6	2%	16	6%
15	332	78	23%	110	33%	93	28%	0	0%	14	4%	37	11%
16	1,032	118	11%	369	36%	354	34%	9	1%	68	7%	114	11%
17	447	60	13%	159	36%	157	35%	0	0%	29	6%	42	9%
18	1,334	474	36%	355	27%	366	27%	0	0%	80	6%	59	4%
19	2,184	750	34%	417	19%	678	31%	0	0%	175	8%	164	8%
20	2,923	1,648	56%	261	9%	833	28%	0	0%	102	3%	79	3%
21	1,932	1,250	65%	166	9%	437	23%	0	0%	43	2%	36	2%
22	1,836	853	46%	280	15%	555	30%	0	0%	77	4%	71	4%
23	1,107	216	20%	257	23%	334	30%	0	0%	75	7%	225	20%
24	1,534	299	19%	435	28%	432	28%	0	0%	121	8%	247	16%
25	2,372	887	37%	424	18%	709	30%	0	0%	135	6%	217	9%
26	1,493	442	30%	245	16%	470	31%	0	0%	192	13%	144	10%
27	1,926	539	28%	320	17%	685	36%	0	0%	195	10%	187	10%
28.01	1,726	516	30%	287	17%	584	34%	2	0%	161	9%	176	10%
28.02	1,896	793	42%	316	17%	554	29%	0	0%	102	5%	131	7%
29	2,765	1,349	49%	261	9%	887	32%	0	0%	124	4%	144	5%
30	3,106	1,468	47%	292	9%	1,032	33%	8	0%	182	6%	124	4%
31	3,072	1,684	55%	286	9%	877	29%	0	0%	112	4%	113	4%
32.01	1,430	784	55%	125	9%	370	26%	0	0%	59	4%	92	6%
32.02	1,788	706	39%	225	13%	577	32%	0	0%	147	8%	133	7%
32.03	2,660	1,288	48%	338	13%	741	28%	19	1%	200	8%	74	3%
33	2,685	939	35%	375	14%	791	29%	15	1%	296	11%	269	10%
34	3,021	1,053	35%	534	18%	755	25%	26	1%	398	13%	255	8%
35	2,684	947	35%	313	12%	852	32%	57	2%	292	11%	223	8%
36.01	1,410	671	48%	204	14%	286	20%	15	1%	113	8%	121	9%
36.02	1,915	1,147	60%	145	8%	421	22%	2	0%	77	4%	123	6%
36.03	1,789	949	53%	150	8%	423	24%	14	1%	117	7%	136	8%
36.04	1,843	1,180	64%	107	6%	443	24%	7	0%	54	3%	52	3%
37	3,641	1,612	44%	356	10%	1,119	31%	4	0%	324	9%	226	6%
38.01	1,448	351	24%	226	16%	417	29%	0	0%	103	7%	351	24%
38.02	2,926	999	34%	392	13%	904	31%	11	0%	343	12%	277	9%
39.01	1,978	988	50%	201	10%	514	26%	0	0%	130	7%	145	7%
39.02	2,143	815	38%	194	9%	816	38%	34	2%	180	8%	104	5%
40	2,305	670	29%	305	13%	671	29%	26	1%	321	14%	312	14%

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**Industry**

The major industry, or kind of business for which a person works, in Sangamon County is public administration. Nineteen percent of persons employed work in public administration. Public administration employment has increased in Sangamon County from 13% in 1970 to 20% in 2000. The manufacturing industry, which employs 16% of the workers in Illinois, represents only 4% of the employees in the county in 2000. Manufacturing has declined significantly in the county over the last three decades from 14% in 1970 to 4% in 2000. (Table 66).

**Table 66**

**INDUSTRY  
Employed Persons  
16 Years and Over  
2000**

<b>Occupation</b>	<b>Illinois</b>	<b>Sangamon County</b>	<b>Springfield</b>
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing & Hunting & Mining	1%	1%	*
Construction	6%	6%	4%
Manufacturing	16%	4%	4%
Wholesale Trade	4%	3%	2%
Retail Trade	11%	10%	10%
Transportation, Warehousing & Utilities	6%	4%	4%
Information	3%	3%	3%
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	8%	7%	7%
Professional, Scientific Management, Admin. & Waste Management Services	10%	8%	9%
Educational, Health & Social Services	19%	22%	23%
Arts, Entertainment, Recreation, Accomodation & Food Services	7%	7%	8%
Other Services (except Public Administration)	5%	5%	5%
Public Administration	4%	20%	21%

**Composition of Labor Force**

**Table 67**

**TOTAL LABOR FORCE  
Population 16 Years & Over  
By Sex  
Sangamon County  
1980-2000**

	1980		1990		2000		Increase 1990-2000	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
<b>Male</b>	48,760	54	49,066	51	51,671	51	2,605	5
<b>Female</b>	42,358	47	47,418	49	50,323	49	2,905	6
<b>Total</b>	91,118	101	96,484	100	101,994	100	5,510	6

The labor force in Sangamon County increased 6% from 1990-2000. The increase in males and females was about equal. The sexual composition of the labor force appears to have remained steady at about 50% male / 50% female over the past decade (Table 67).

**Unemployment**

Unemployment rates in Springfield and Sangamon County have shown little change since 1990. In 2000 both Sangamon County and Springfield had an unemployment rate of 5%. (Table 68). These rates are lower than unemployment rates for Illinois (6%).

**Table 68**

**UNEMPLOYMENT RATES  
1970-2000**

	1970	1980	1990	2000
<b>Sangamon County</b>	3%	6%	4%	5%
<b>Springfield</b>	3%	6%	5%	5%

Unemployment rates by sex have not changed since 1990. The rate is still higher for males than for females. (Table 69).

**Table 69**

**UNEMPLOYMENT RATES BY SEX  
Sangamon County  
1970-2000**

	1970	1980	1990	2000
<b>Male</b>	3%	8%	5%	5%
<b>Female</b>	3%	4%	3%	3%
<b>Total</b>	3%	6%	4%	4%

The rates of unemployment also vary by race. Unemployment rates for the two major racial categories in Sangamon County indicate blacks have a significantly higher unemployment rate than whites -- 14% for blacks and 3% for whites. The rate for black males increased since 1990 from 17% to 19%. Rates for black females and white males decreased between 1990-2000. (Table 70).

**Table 70**

**UNEMPLOYMENT RATES BY RACE  
Sangamon County  
1980-2000**

	1980	1990	2000
<b>Black</b>	10%	14%	14%
<b>Male</b>	14%	17%	19%
<b>Female</b>	6%	11%	9%
<b>White</b>	6%	4%	3%
<b>Male</b>	8%	5%	4%
<b>Female</b>	4%	3%	3%

Among racial groups represented in Sangamon County, American Indians and Hawaiians have the lowest unemployment rates at 0%, followed by white females at 3%. The highest unemployment rates are among black males and black females. (Table 71). The unemployment rate for Asian males increased from 1% to 8% between 1990-2000.

**Table 71**

**EMPLOYMENT BY RACE AND SEX  
Sangamon County  
2000**

	Male			Female			Total		
	Emp.	Unemp.	% Unemp.	Emp.	Unemp.	% Unemp.	Emp.	Unemp.	% Unemp.
<b>Total All Races</b>	48,984	2,387	5%	48,542	1,748	3%	97,526	4,135	4%
<b>White</b>	45,051	1,653	4%	43,729	1,336	3%	88,780	2,989	3%
<b>Black</b>	2,814	661	19%	3,641	364	9%	6,455	1,025	14%
<b>Amerian Indian</b>	115	0	0%	97	0	0%	212	0	0%
<b>Hawaiian</b>	5	0	0%	0	0	0%	5	0	0%
<b>Asian</b>	486	40	8%	434	16	4%	920	56	6%
<b>Other</b>	89	23	21%	158	2	1%	247	25	9%
<b>2+ Races</b>	424	10	2%	483	30	6%	907	40	4%

Even though unemployment rates remained steady in Sangamon County between 1990-2000, the rates increased in several census tracts during this period. An increase in unemployment rates 2% points or more occurred in tracts 7, 16, 17, 23, 24, 25, 28, 30 and 31. The unemployment rate doubled in tract 7 (4% to 8%) and in tract 16 (8% to 16%) in the ten year period. Substantial decreases occurred in tracts 12, 14, 15, 19 and 27. (Table 72).

**UNEMPLOYMENT RATES**  
**Sangamon County**  
**1980-2000**

Census Tract	1980	1990	2000
	% Unemployed	% Unemployed	% Unemployed
1	10	5	5
2	7	5	--
2.01	--	--	3
2.02	--	--	6
3	8	9	8
4	5	5	7
5	6	--	--
5.01	--	2	3
5.02	--	3	--
5.03	--	--	2
5.04	--	--	1
6	10	7	6
7	7	4	8
8	14	15	13
9	8	12	12
10	3	2	--
10.01	--	--	2
10.02	--	--	3
11	3	1	3
12	4	6	2
13	7	9	7
14	22	10	0
15	12	28	16
16	11	8	16
17	13	15	17
18	6	6	5
19	3	8	2
20	4	2	2
21	2	2	2
22	3	3	4
23	8	8	14
24	14	9	13
25	5	2	6
26	6	5	5
27	6	8	3
28	6	3	--
28.01	--	--	7
28.02	--	--	4
29	4	1	2
30	6	2	6
31	6	1	3
32	4	3	--
32.01	--	--	1
32.02	--	--	3
32.03	--	--	2
33	6	3	2
34	6	3	3
35	7	4	3
36	5	2	--
36.01	--	--	2
36.02	--	--	1
36.03	--	--	2
36.04	--	--	2
37	6	3	2
38	6	4	--
38.01	--	--	3
38.02	--	--	2
39	4	2	--
39.01	--	--	3
39.02	--	--	1
40	6	4	2
Total	6	4	4

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The highest unemployment rates occur in tracts 15, 16 and 17, where 16%, 16% and 17% respectively of persons 16 and over are unemployed. Unemployment is concentrated in the central and east areas of Springfield and is lowest in the west and rural areas. (Table 73). (Figure 29).

The unemployment rate may be understated. A person is considered unemployed only if the person is actively seeking employment. A person who is no longer seeking employment (either retired, does not want a job or has quit looking) is not counted in the unemployment rate. These people are counted as not being in the labor force. Many of the census tracts with a very low labor force participation rate correspond to tracts with very high unemployment rates. This could indicate that people have given up looking for jobs meaning the unemployment rate does not present the entire employment picture. (Table 73). (Figure 30).

Table 73

**Employment Status  
16 Years & Above  
Sangamon County  
2000**

Census Tract	Total	Total Pop. In Labor Force	% in Labor Force	Civilian Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	% Unemployed
1	3,385	2,315	68%	2,315	2,196	119	5%
2.01	1,955	1,456	74%	1,443	1,394	49	3%
2.02	3,254	2,301	71%	2,301	2,170	131	6%
3	2,711	1,503	55%	1,497	1,371	126	8%
4	2,420	1,604	66%	1,598	1,489	109	7%
5.01	1,941	1,353	70%	1,353	1,312	41	3%
5.03	3,264	2,168	66%	2,168	2,119	49	2%
5.04	2,525	1,849	73%	1,823	1,806	17	1%
6	4,789	3,081	64%	3,063	2,871	192	6%
7	1,787	1,163	65%	1,147	1,050	97	8%
8	1,199	695	58%	695	605	90	13%
9	1,962	1,098	56%	1,098	962	136	12%
10.01	1,930	1,308	68%	1,308	1,284	24	2%
10.02	5,495	3,544	64%	3,521	3,417	104	3%
11	2,000	1,356	68%	1,349	1,308	41	3%
12	2,899	2,209	76%	2,209	2,162	47	2%
13	1,695	1,157	68%	1,147	1,070	77	7%
14	847	257	30%	257	257	0	0%
15	907	394	43%	394	332	62	16%
16	2,197	1,236	56%	1,231	1,032	199	16%
17	1,218	538	44%	538	447	91	17%
18	1,809	1,402	78%	1,402	1,334	68	5%
19	2,958	2,244	76%	2,234	2,184	50	2%
20	4,880	2,973	61%	2,973	2,923	50	2%
21	2,959	1,974	67%	1,973	1,932	41	2%
22	2,745	1,918	70%	1,918	1,836	82	4%
23	1,925	1,286	67%	1,280	1,107	173	14%
24	2,718	1,772	65%	1,772	1,534	238	13%
25	3,878	2,517	65%	2,517	2,372	145	6%
26	2,231	1,568	70%	1,568	1,493	75	5%
27	3,013	1,995	66%	1,995	1,926	69	3%
28.01	2,745	1,849	67%	1,849	1,726	123	7%
28.02	2,519	1,988	79%	1,973	1,896	77	4%
29	4,157	2,826	68%	2,811	2,765	46	2%
30	4,397	3,311	75%	3,288	3,106	182	6%
31	4,460	3,185	71%	3,169	3,072	97	3%
32.01	1,886	1,451	77%	1,451	1,430	21	1%
32.02	2,449	1,851	76%	1,841	1,788	53	3%
32.03	3,421	2,711	79%	2,711	2,660	51	2%
33	3,774	2,753	73%	2,745	2,685	60	2%
34	4,357	3,131	72%	3,108	3,021	87	3%
35	3,718	2,767	74%	2,765	2,684	81	3%
36.01	1,898	1,435	76%	1,435	1,410	25	2%
36.02	2,653	1,925	73%	1,925	1,915	10	1%
36.03	2,367	1,842	78%	1,834	1,789	45	2%
36.04	2,653	1,880	71%	1,880	1,843	37	2%
37	5,319	3,748	70%	3,716	3,641	75	2%
38.01	2,276	1,519	67%	1,500	1,448	52	3%
38.02	3,976	3,003	76%	2,994	2,926	68	2%
39.01	2,733	2,052	75%	2,049	1,978	71	3%
39.02	2,947	2,172	74%	2,172	2,143	29	1%
40	3,222	2,361	73%	2,358	2,305	53	2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>147,423</b>	<b>101,994</b>	<b>69%</b>	<b>101,661</b>	<b>97,526</b>	<b>4,135</b>	<b>4%</b>

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Figure 29

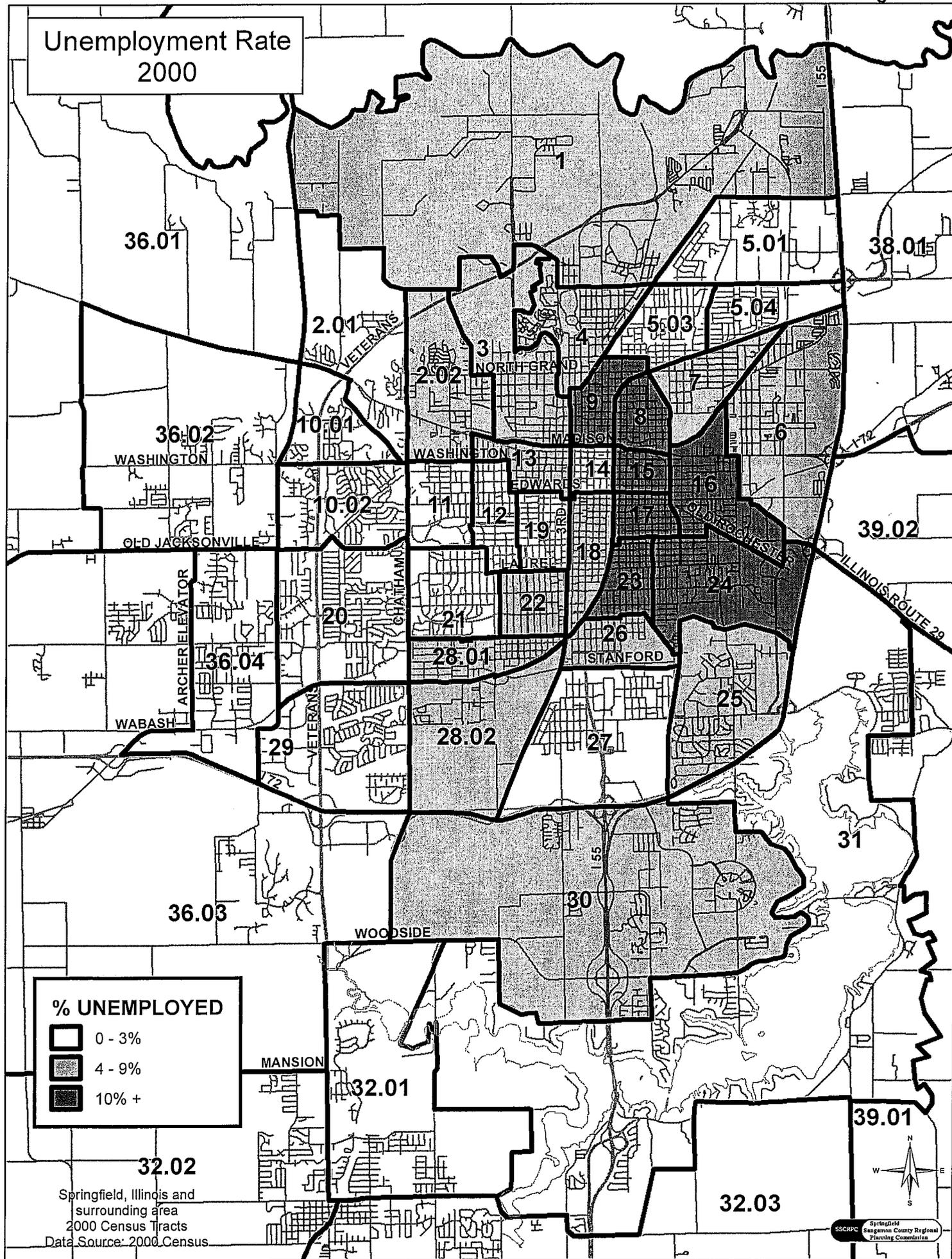
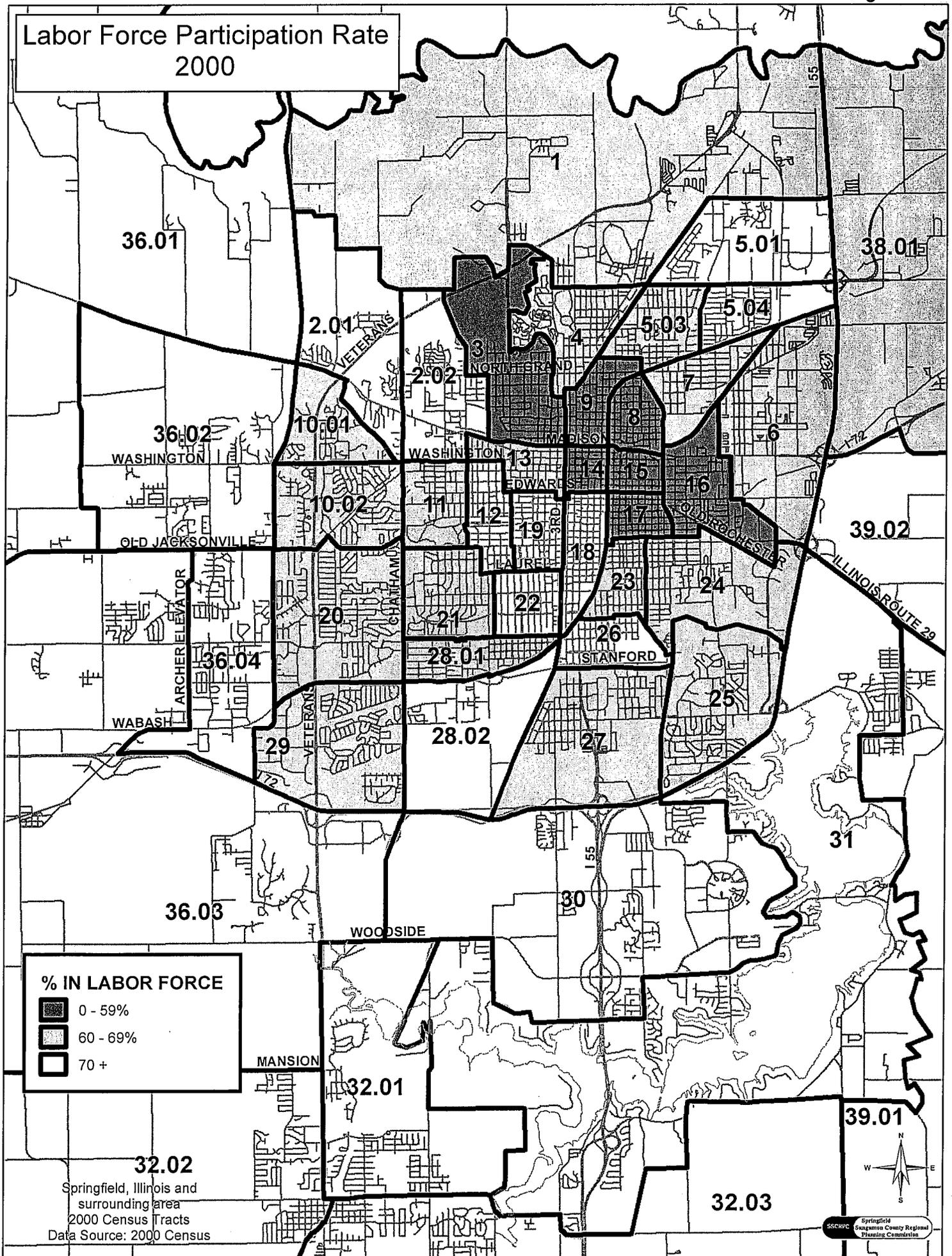


Figure 30



Three rural townships had a zero unemployment rate in 2000 – Cooper, Lanesville and Talkington. Five townships had higher unemployment rates than the county's rate of 4% -- Buffalo Hart (5%), Capital (5%), Curran (5%), Maxwell (7%) and Springfield (6%). Talkington Township had the largest decrease in unemployment rates, from 10% in 1990 to 0% in 2000. Maxwell Township has the largest increase from 0% in 1990 to 7% in 2000. (Table 74).

Table 74

**UNEMPLOYMENT RATES  
Sangamon County  
1990-2000**

Township	% Unemployed	
	1990	2000
Auburn	3	3
Ball	3	1
Buffalo Hart	--	5
Capital	5	5
Cartwright	2	4
Chatham	3	3
Clear Lake	3	3
Cooper	5	0
Cotton Hill	--	4
Curran	4	5
Divernon	5	1
Fancy Creek	3	2
Gardner	1	1
Illiopolis	3	1
Island Grove	4	3
Lanesville	--	0
Loami	8	3
Maxwell	--	7
Mechanicsburg	5	3
New Berlin	2	2
Pawnee	3	3
Rochester	2	4
Springfield	6	6
Talkington	10	0
Williams	1	1
Woodside	4	3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>

# HOUSING

## Number of Housing Units

Living quarters are defined by the Census Bureau as either housing units or group quarters. A housing unit is a house, an apartment, a mobile home or trailer, a group of rooms, or a single room intended as separate living quarters where residents live and eat separately from other persons in the building. Group quarters are group living situations such as a nursing home, jail, or boarding house.

The number of housing units increased between 1990 and 2000 in the city, county and state. The rate of housing increase in the city and the county was the same. (Table 75).

**Table 75**

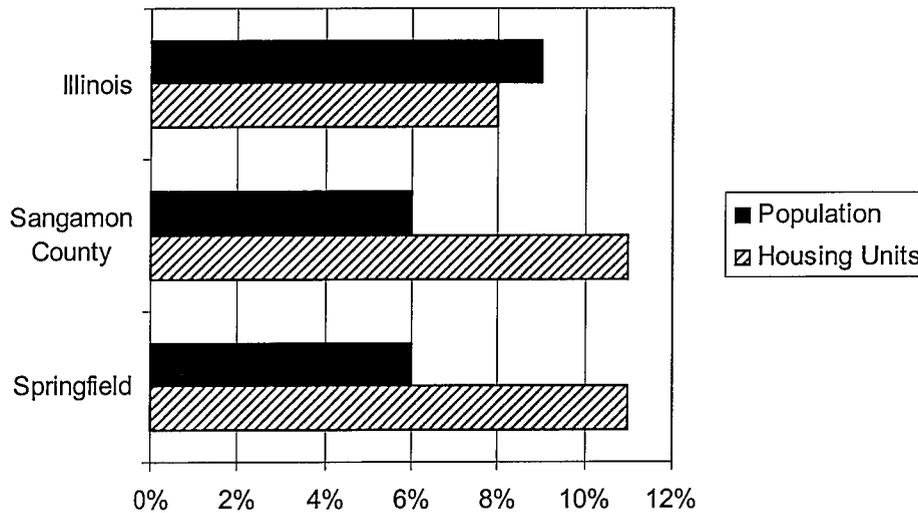
### TOTAL HOUSING UNITS 1990-2000

	1990	2000	# Increase	% Change
<b>Illinois</b>	4,506,275	4,885,615	379,340	8
<b>Sangamon County</b>	76,873	85,459	8,586	11
<b>Springfield</b>	48,534	53,887	5,353	11

The number of housing units has continued to increase at a more rapid rate than the population in Sangamon County and Springfield. The rate of increase in housing units for Sangamon County and Springfield was 11% compared to a population growth of 6%. (Figure 31).

Figure 31

**GROWTH RATES – POPULATION AND HOUSING UNITS  
1990-2000**



Change in the number of housing units by tract has a large range – from an increase of 106% in tract 36 (1990 boundaries) to a decrease of 50% in tract 8 (due to demolition of the John Hay Homes). The largest loss of housing units from 1990-2000 occurred in the central area of Springfield. Small to moderate decreases were located in the east and central areas. Large increases occurred in west and south Springfield and in non-urban parts of Sangamon County. (Table 76). (Figure 32).

### Housing Type

The primary types of housing units that the Census identifies are single-family, multiple-family and mobile homes. The “other” category includes boats, RV’s, and vans used as living quarters. In 2000, the proportion of the total housing units considered “other” in the state, Sangamon County and Springfield was 0%. In the following discussion, “other” and “mobile home” have been combined.

The most prevalent type of housing unit is the single-family unit. Single-family units are classified as either 1-unit detached (i.e., conventional house) or 1-unit attached (i.e., row house). In 2000, 72% of the county’s housing consisted of single-family units compared to 63% in the state. Conversely, the county, with 21% multiple-family units, was well below the state’s multiple-family

**HOUSING UNITS  
1990-2000  
Sangamon County**

Census Tract	1990	2000	#Change 1990-2000	% Change 1990-2000
1	1,825	2,027	202	11%
2.01	1,108	1,198	90	8%
2.02	2,017	2,139	122	6%
3	1,781	1,570	-211	-12%
4	1,670	1,576	-94	-6%
5.01	774	985	211	27%
5.03	1,826	1,866	40	2%
5.04	1,176	1,272	96	8%
6	2,664	2,914	250	9%
7	1,043	1,016	-27	-3%
8	1,372	684	-688	-50%
9	1,741	1,466	-275	-16%
10.01	858	1,088	230	27%
10.02	3,385	3,400	15	0%
11	1,263	1,262	-1	0%
12	1,956	1,895	-61	-3%
13	1,554	1,340	-214	-14%
14	678	667	-11	-2%
15	577	577	0	0%
16	1,593	1,583	-10	-1%
17	886	809	-77	-9%
18	1,738	1,519	-219	-13%
19	2,419	2,244	-175	-7%
20	1,910	2,691	781	41%
21	1,784	1,779	-5	0%
22	1,707	1,698	-9	-1%
23	1,307	1,219	-88	-7%
24	1,666	1,579	-87	-5%
25	2,010	2,251	241	12%
26	1,458	1,383	-75	-5%
27	1,889	1,801	-88	-5%
28.01	1,658	1,682	24	1%
28.02	1,364	1,842	478	35%
29	1,974	2,288	314	16%
30	1,265	2,334	1,069	85%
31	1,671	2,239	568	34%
32.01	641	954	313	49%
32.02	929	1,222	293	32%
32.03	1,060	1,729	669	63%
33	1,836	2,032	196	11%
34	1,969	2,384	415	21%
35	1,780	1,990	210	12%
36.01	797	980	183	23%
36.02	924	1,301	377	41%
36.03	442	1,213	771	174%
36.04	235	1,444	1,209	514%
37	2,032	2,550	518	25%
38.01	889	1,134	245	28%
38.02	1,806	2,116	310	17%
39.01	984	1,333	349	35%
39.02	1,289	1,468	179	14%
40	1,666	1,726	60	4%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>76,846</b>	<b>85,459</b>	<b>8,613</b>	<b>11%</b>

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Source: 2000 U.S. Census



housing share of 34%. Both Sangamon County and Springfield have a higher share of mobile homes (at 7% and 5% respectively) than the state's percentage of 3%. (Table 77).

**Table 77**

**DISTRIBUTION OF HOUSING TYPE  
2000**

	Single-Family		Multiple-Family		Mobile Home	
	#	%	#	%	#	%
<b>Illinois</b>	3,066,496	63	1,660,569	34	158,550	3
<b>Sangamon County</b>	61,865	72	18,025	21	5,569	7
<b>Springfield</b>	35,221	65	16,124	30	2,542	5

**Table 78**

**HOUSING TYPE  
% Change  
1990-2000**

Housing Unit	Sangamon County				Springfield			
	1990	2000	Change		1990	2000	Change	
			#	%			#	%
<b>Single-Family</b>	53,308	61,865	8,557	16	29,685	35,221	5,536	18
<b>Multiple-Family</b>	17,685	18,025	340	2	16,097	16,124	27	0
<b>Mobile Home</b>	5,880	5,569	-311	-5	2,752	2,542	-210	-8
<b>Total</b>	76,873	85,459	8,586	11	48,534	53,887	5,353	11

Table 78 shows changes in the number of different types of housing units. However, the multiple-family figures do not correspond to building permit data for the City of Springfield and should be used considering the possibility of inaccurate numbers in 1990 or in 2000.

Within Springfield, the highest concentration of single-family housing is found in tract 31 at 98%. The highest share of multiple-family housing is in tract 14 at 99% followed by tracts 13 and 28.02 at 75% and 76% respectively. The highest concentrations of mobile home housing are in census tracts 1, 2.02, 6 and 38.01. Over 30% of the housing units in these tracts are mobile homes. (Table 79). (Figure 33).

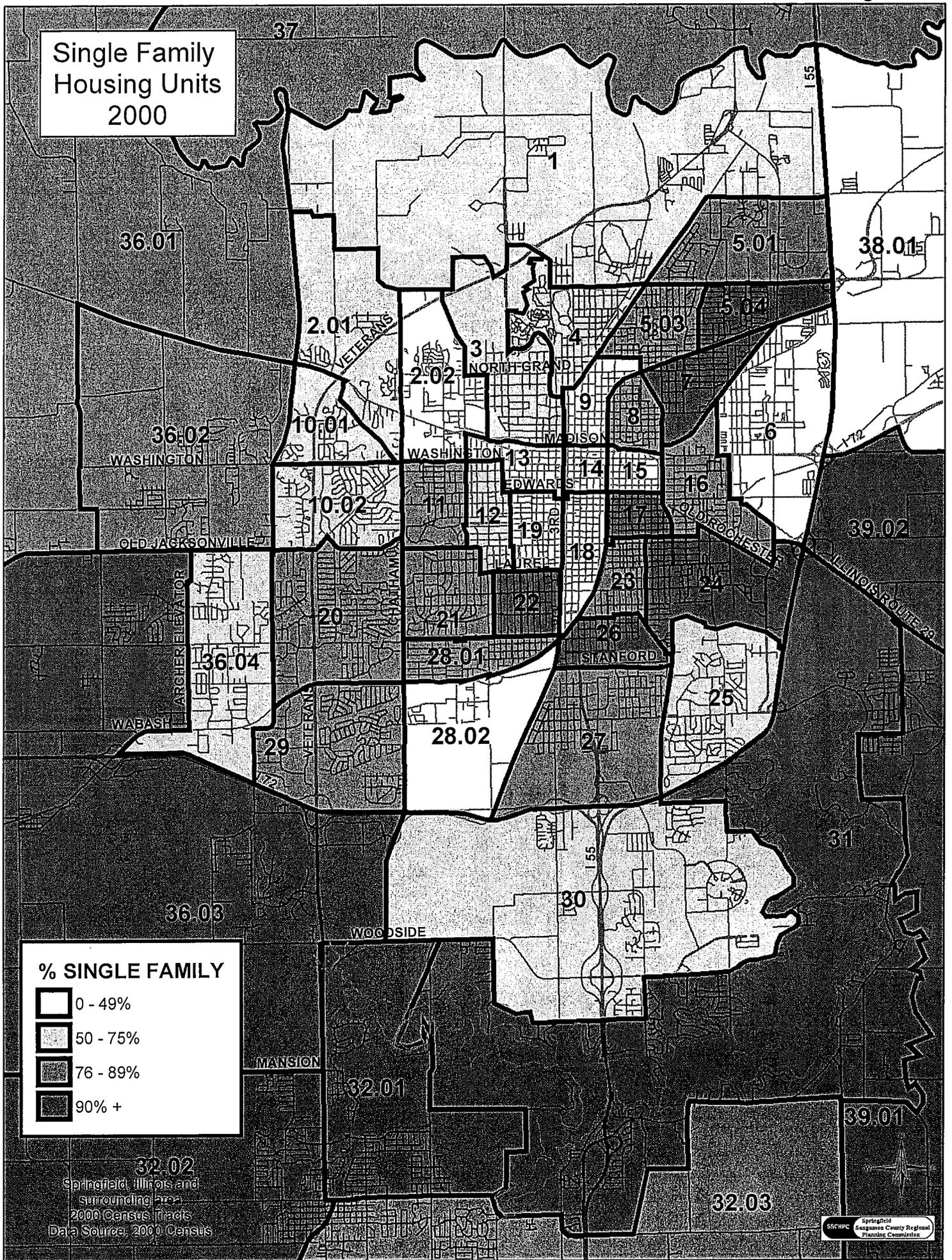
Table 79

**UNITS IN STRUCTURES**  
**Sangamon County**  
**2000**

Census Tract	Total	1 unit detached	1 unit attached	2	3 or 4	5 to 9	10 to 19	20 to 49	50 or more	Mobile home	Boat, RV, Van, etc.	% Single Family
1	2,027	1,039	26	25	10	0	0	0	0	927	0	53%
2.01	1,184	780	36	56	70	188	30	24	0	0	0	69%
2.02	2,139	852	10	70	86	130	248	18	33	692	0	40%
3	1,570	1,011	28	154	136	84	84	65	0	8	0	66%
4	1,585	1,179	15	130	188	66	0	0	0	7	0	75%
5.01	976	836	29	59	21	6	18	0	0	7	0	89%
5.03	1,880	1,610	24	55	59	88	17	0	0	16	11	87%
5.04	1,276	1,239	0	20	7	0	0	0	10	0	0	97%
6	2,914	1,404	0	82	20	17	10	40	0	1,341	0	48%
7	1,016	937	28	34	9	7	0	0	0	1	0	95%
8	721	612	19	43	20	13	0	0	0	14	0	88%
9	1,493	455	17	191	232	164	37	25	372	0	0	32%
10.01	1,084	664	125	6	49	91	28	0	121	0	0	73%
10.02	3,400	1,218	466	299	373	239	361	196	232	16	0	50%
11	1,235	939	18	45	38	33	32	0	130	0	0	77%
12	1,861	1,170	23	239	230	152	23	17	0	7	0	64%
13	1,374	328	17	223	255	132	146	64	209	0	0	25%
14	652	5	0	7	48	65	57	80	390	0	0	1%
15	607	262	18	6	76	29	14	62	133	0	7	46%
16	1,568	1,177	44	257	22	0	9	0	0	59	0	78%
17	783	678	32	32	21	20	0	0	0	0	0	91%
18	1,545	578	17	142	224	311	104	71	98	0	0	39%
19	2,261	917	18	340	183	260	136	97	310	0	0	41%
20	2,691	1,872	345	95	0	9	0	0	370	0	0	82%
21	1,779	1,352	16	89	92	82	118	20	10	0	0	77%
22	1,681	1,506	0	78	37	34	7	0	0	19	0	90%
23	1,219	1,071	18	84	16	26	0	0	0	4	0	89%
24	1,599	1,460	9	29	17	7	0	0	0	77	0	92%
25	2,251	1,556	8	17	115	298	206	8	21	22	0	69%
26	1,363	1,215	16	73	39	0	0	0	0	20	0	90%
27	1,764	1,419	6	61	7	38	119	0	0	114	0	81%
28.01	1,682	1,285	32	37	210	36	15	0	34	33	0	78%
28.02	1,786	234	78	33	177	378	523	191	47	125	0	17%
29	2,344	1,643	214	204	170	64	24	0	18	7	0	79%
30	2,334	1,131	382	153	192	199	126	49	94	8	0	65%
31	2,235	2,143	57	7	0	11	0	0	0	17	0	98%
32.01	958	813	91	10	26	18	0	0	0	0	0	94%
32.02	1,204	997	127	19	28	0	0	0	0	33	0	93%
32.03	1,729	1,397	51	33	42	84	0	0	0	122	0	84%
33	2,032	1,787	15	37	38	19	9	0	0	127	0	89%
34	2,402	2,016	17	50	36	25	0	51	0	207	0	85%
35	1,990	1,708	20	26	10	10	21	2	0	193	0	87%
36.01	936	835	0	9	12	10	0	0	0	70	0	89%
36.02	1,303	1,014	121	56	25	9	0	34	36	8	0	87%
36.03	1,211	1,050	101	0	0	0	0	0	0	60	0	95%
36.04	1,488	847	262	33	77	76	76	61	44	12	0	75%
37	2,550	2,168	99	110	23	22	35	0	0	93	0	89%
38.01	1,134	550	0	10	0	4	0	0	0	570	0	49%
38.02	2,116	1,705	33	68	23	43	25	8	0	211	0	82%
39.01	1,333	1,259	4	3	9	0	0	0	0	58	0	95%
39.02	1,468	1,378	4	0	23	5	0	10	0	48	0	94%
40	1,726	1,422	6	24	18	27	31	0	0	198	0	83%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>85,459</b>	<b>58,723</b>	<b>3,142</b>	<b>3,963</b>	<b>3,839</b>	<b>3,629</b>	<b>2,689</b>	<b>1,193</b>	<b>2,712</b>	<b>5,551</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>72%</b>

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Source: 2000 U.S. Census

Single Family Housing Units  
2000



**% SINGLE FAMILY**

- 0 - 49%
- 50 - 75%
- 76 - 89%
- 90% +

32.02  
Springfield, Illinois and  
surrounding area  
2000 Census Tracts  
Data Source: 2000 Census

A look at the type of dwelling by township indicates that Ball Township has the highest percentage of single-family dwellings at 98%. Capital and Springfield Townships have the lowest percent of single-family units followed by Clear Lake, Loami and Mechanicsburg at about 75%. Townships having 20% or more mobile home units are Springfield (27%), Loami (21%) and Clear Lake (20%). These figures are well above the county's share of mobile home units of 6%. (Table 80).

**UNITS IN STRUCTURE**  
Townships  
Sangamon County  
2000

Township	Total	1 unit detached	1 unit attached	2	3 or 4	5 to 9	10 to 19	20 to 49	50 or more	Mobile home	Boat, RV, van, etc.	% Single Family	% Mobile Home
Auburn	2,431	2,045	17	50	36	25	0	51	0	207	0	85%	9%
Ball	1,646	1,579	39	10	10	8	0	0	0	0	0	98%	0%
Buffalo Hart	90	83	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	92%	8%
Capital	53,917	32,640	2,611	3,211	3,354	3,258	2,500	1,089	2,712	2,524	18	65%	5%
Cartwright	596	556	10	14	0	0	0	0	0	16	0	95%	3%
Chatham	2,303	1,731	195	52	86	84	0	0	0	155	0	84%	7%
Clear Lake	3,212	2,363	33	68	23	47	25	8	0	645	0	75%	20%
Cooper	312	295	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	0	95%	5%
Cotton Hill	390	381	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	0	98%	2%
Curran	682	622	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	60	0	91%	9%
Divernon	657	575	4	13	10	12	3	0	0	40	0	88%	6%
Fancy Creek	1,475	1,237	68	69	15	16	0	0	0	70	0	88%	5%
Gardner	1,585	1,304	49	56	20	42	36	0	0	78	0	85%	5%
Illipolis	548	486	2	22	14	14	0	0	0	10	0	89%	2%
Island Grove	205	165	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	38	0	80%	19%
Lanesville	92	86	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	93%	7%
Loami	448	337	4	10	2	0	0	0	0	95	0	76%	21%
Maxwell	89	80	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	0	90%	10%
Mechanicsburg	903	682	4	2	4	13	31	0	0	167	0	76%	18%
New Berlin	542	469	6	0	8	10	21	2	0	26	0	88%	5%
Pawnee	1,194	1,031	11	24	28	7	6	0	0	87	0	87%	7%
Rochester	1,731	1,603	8	3	32	5	0	10	0	70	0	93%	4%
Springfield	3,263	2,137	14	114	40	24	10	33	0	891	0	66%	27%
Talkington	110	101	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	0	92%	8%
Williams	1,233	1,076	31	41	8	6	35	0	0	36	0	90%	3%
Woodside	5,805	5,059	36	202	149	58	22	0	0	279	0	88%	5%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>85,459</b>	<b>58,723</b>	<b>3,142</b>	<b>3,963</b>	<b>3,839</b>	<b>3,629</b>	<b>2,689</b>	<b>1,193</b>	<b>2,712</b>	<b>5,551</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>72%</b>	<b>6%</b>

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## Housing Tenure

All occupied housing units are classified by the Census as either owner-occupied or renter-occupied. A housing unit is owner-occupied if the owner or co-owner lives in the unit even if it is mortgaged or not fully paid for. A renter-occupied unit can be rented for cash rent or occupied without payment of cash rent (i.e., caretaker or military housing). On a percent basis, owner-occupied is the inverse of renter-occupied. For example, if a tract is 58% owner-occupied, 42% is renter-occupied.

The proportion of owner-occupied housing units in Springfield increased to 63% in 2000 after remaining fairly steady at 58% - 60% from 1970-1990. Percentages of owner-occupied housing in Sangamon County, which remained fairly constant from 1970-1990, also showed an increase to 70% in 2000. (Table 81).

**Table 81**

### **OWNER-OCCUPIED HOUSING UNITS 1970-2000**

	<b>1970</b>	<b>1980</b>	<b>1990</b>	<b>2000</b>
<b>Illinois</b>	59%	63%	64%	67%
<b>Sangamon County</b>	67%	68%	67%	70%
<b>Springfield</b>	59%	60%	58%	63%

The county's rate of owner occupancy has been consistently higher than the state or city rate of owner-occupied units. Proportions of owner-occupied housing in Sangamon County outside of the Springfield area range from a low of 73% in Buffalo Hart Township to a high of 93% in Ball and Cooper Townships. (Table 82).

**TENURE**  
**Sangamon County**  
**2000**

Township	Occupied Units			% Owner-Occupied	
	Owner	Renter	Total	1990	2000
Auburn	1,766	474	2,240	75	79
Ball	1,440	113	1,553	92	93
Buffalo Hart	56	21	77	70	73
Capital	30,529	18,099	48,628	58	63
Cartwright	449	98	547	77	82
Chatham	1,816	446	2,262	82	80
Clear Lake	2,503	523	3,026	85	83
Cooper	283	21	304	79	93
Cotton Hill	302	77	379	81	80
Curran	555	68	623	86	89
Divernon	481	138	619	78	78
Fancy Creek	1,253	201	1,454	84	86
Gardner	1,392	223	1,615	84	86
Illioopolis	394	115	509	74	77
Island Grove	172	41	213	78	81
Lanesville	55	17	72	58	76
Loami	378	52	430	85	88
Maxwell	60	15	75	85	80
Mechanicsburg	671	162	833	78	81
New Berlin	423	95	518	75	82
Pawnee	959	181	1,140	81	84
Rochester	1,502	158	1,660	90	90
Springfield	2,212	855	3,067	70	72
Talkington	75	20	95	67	79
Williams	1,005	178	1,183	79	85
Woodside	4,351	1,249	5,600	79	78
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>55,082</b>	<b>23,640</b>	<b>78,722</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>70</b>

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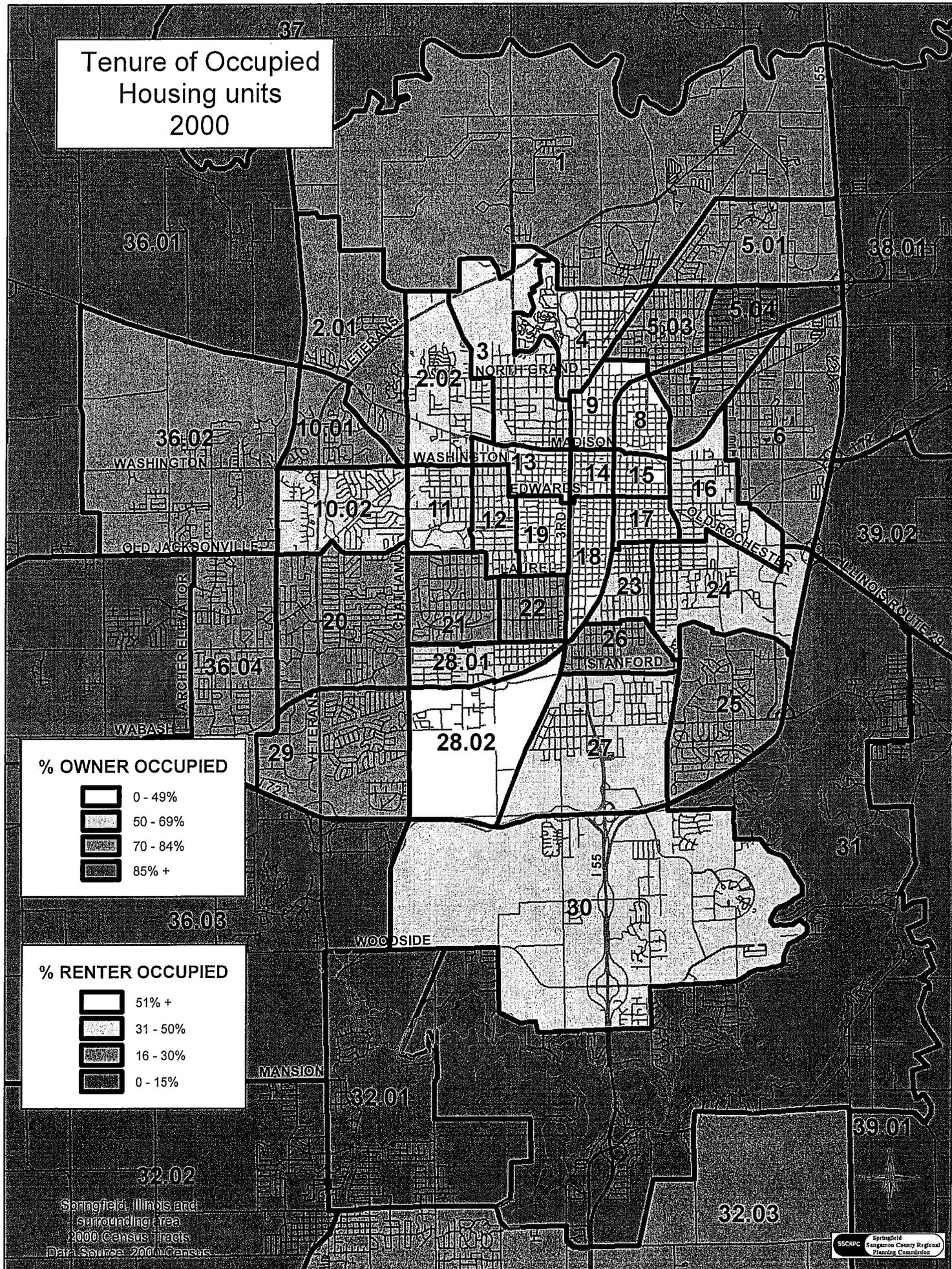
The percentage of owner-occupied housing units by census tract ranges from 3% in tract 14 to 95% in tract 31. Tracts with higher (over 50%) renter-occupied figures, and thus lower rates of owner-occupied housing, are primarily found in the central city area. The highest concentration of owner-occupied housing are located in census tracts which include the outer boundaries of Springfield and smaller bedroom communities. (Table 83). (Figure 34).

**TENURE OF HOUSEHOLDER BY CENSUS TRACT**  
**Sangamon County**  
**2000**

Census Tract	Total	Owner Occupied		Renter Occupied	
		#	%	#	%
1	1,866	1,545	82.8%	321	17.2%
2.01	1,129	829	73.4%	300	26.6%
2.02	1,987	1,230	61.9%	757	38.1%
3	1,388	697	50.2%	691	49.8%
4	1,400	954	68.1%	446	31.9%
5.01	951	802	84.3%	149	15.7%
5.03	1,797	1,367	76.1%	430	23.9%
5.04	1,249	1,085	86.9%	164	13.1%
6	2,713	2,085	76.9%	628	23.1%
7	957	706	73.8%	251	26.2%
8	606	286	47.2%	320	52.8%
9	1,118	273	24.4%	845	75.6%
10.01	1,043	752	72.1%	291	27.9%
10.02	3,227	1,748	54.2%	1,479	45.8%
11	1,181	799	67.7%	382	32.3%
12	1,695	1,000	59.0%	695	41.0%
13	1,128	313	27.7%	815	72.3%
14	514	16	3.1%	498	96.9%
15	500	161	32.2%	339	67.8%
16	1,166	587	50.3%	579	49.7%
17	583	268	46.0%	315	54.0%
18	1,236	472	38.2%	764	61.8%
19	1,881	627	33.3%	1,254	66.7%
20	2,542	2,138	84.1%	404	15.9%
21	1,683	1,281	76.1%	402	23.9%
22	1,598	1,314	82.2%	284	17.8%
23	1,027	578	56.3%	449	43.7%
24	1,435	885	61.7%	550	38.3%
25	2,061	1,483	72.0%	578	28.0%
26	1,251	907	72.5%	344	27.5%
27	1,657	1,121	67.7%	536	32.3%
28.01	1,597	1,001	62.7%	596	37.3%
28.02	1,569	249	15.9%	1,320	84.1%
29	2,261	1,715	75.9%	546	24.1%
30	2,244	1,319	58.8%	925	41.2%
31	2,126	2,024	95.2%	102	4.8%
32.01	927	845	91.2%	82	8.8%
32.02	1,178	1,018	86.4%	160	13.6%
32.03	1,679	1,406	83.7%	273	16.3%
33	1,920	1,578	82.2%	342	17.8%
34	2,242	1,745	77.8%	497	22.2%
35	1,880	1,557	82.8%	323	17.2%
36.01	900	835	92.8%	65	7.2%
36.02	1,269	1,070	84.3%	199	15.7%
36.03	1,132	1,051	92.8%	81	7.2%
36.04	1,404	1,019	72.6%	385	27.4%
37	2,473	2,111	85.4%	362	14.6%
38.01	1,023	887	86.7%	136	13.3%
38.02	2,025	1,629	80.4%	396	19.6%
39.01	1,285	1,178	91.7%	107	8.3%
39.02	1,417	1,288	90.9%	129	9.1%
40	1,602	1,264	78.9%	338	21.1%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>78,722</b>	<b>55,098</b>	<b>70.0%</b>	<b>23,624</b>	<b>30.0%</b>

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Source: 2000 U.S. Census

Tenure of Occupied Housing units  
2000



An examination of tenure by black and white householders, the two major racial categories found in Sangamon County and Springfield, shows an increase in home ownership for both groups from 1990-2000. Home ownership among blacks is still less than the 41% rate in 1980. (Table 84).

Table 84

TENURE BY RACE OF HOUSEHOLDER  
2000

	% Owner-Occupied		
	Sangamon County		
	1980	1990	2000
<b>Total</b>	68%	67%	70%
<b>Black</b>	41%	34%	37%
<b>White</b>	69%	69%	73%

Home ownership rates among all racial minorities are substantially less than the rate for the white population. (Table 85). (Figure 35).

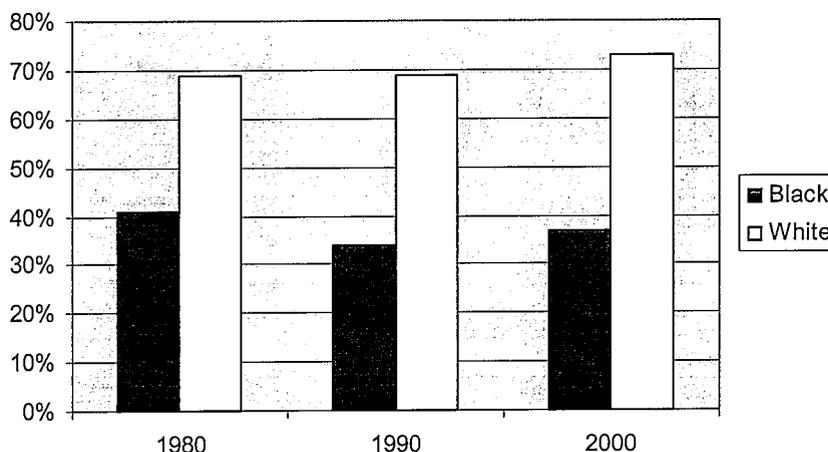
Table 85

TENURE BY RACE  
Sangamon County  
2000

Race of Householder	Total	Owner Occupied		Renter Occupied	
		#	%	#	%
Total	78,722	55,098	70.0%	23,624	30.0%
White	70,651	51,880	73.4%	18,771	26.6%
Black or African-American	6,310	2,341	37.1%	3,969	62.9%
American Indian	153	86	56.2%	67	43.8%
Asian	695	404	58.1%	291	41.9%
Native Hawaiian	3	3	100.0%	0	0.0%
Other	146	46	31.5%	100	68.5%
Two or more races	764	338	44.2%	426	55.8%

Figure 35

OWNER-OCCUPIED  
BY RACE  
1980-2000  
Sangamon County



A look at housing tenure by age of householder in Sangamon County shows that the rate of owner-occupancy increases as age increases through age 74. The rate of owner-occupancy then decreases at age 75, but still remains high with ¾ of this age category owning their homes. Almost 2/3 of householders 85 years old and over own their own home. (Table 86). (Figure 36).

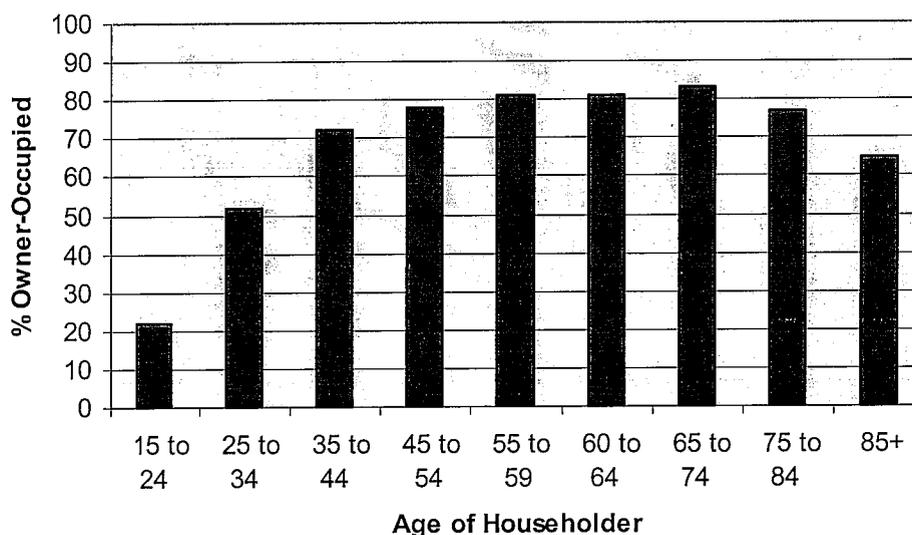
Table 86

**TENURE  
BY AGE  
Sangamon County  
2000**

		Owner Occupied		Renter Occupied	
		#	%	#	%
<b>Total</b>	<b>78,722</b>	<b>55,098</b>	<b>70.0%</b>	<b>23,624</b>	<b>30.0%</b>
Householder 15 to 24 years	4,155	929	22.4%	3,226	77.6%
Householder 25 to 34 years	12,905	6,696	51.9%	6,209	48.1%
Householder 35 to 44 years	17,938	12,957	72.2%	4,981	27.8%
Householder 45 to 54 years	16,699	13,038	78.1%	3,661	21.9%
Householder 55 to 59 years	5,545	4,500	81.2%	1,045	18.8%
Householder 60 to 64 years	4,526	3,670	81.1%	856	18.9%
Householder 65 to 74 years	8,491	7,079	83.4%	1,412	16.6%
Householder 75 to 84 years	6,356	4,862	76.5%	1,494	23.5%
Householder 85 years and over	2,107	1,367	64.9%	740	35.1%

Figure 36

**TENURE BY AGE OF HOUSEHOLDER  
Sangamon County  
2000**



**Age of Structure**

Of the 85,459 housing units in Sangamon County, 17% have been built since 1990. Slightly over one-half (56%) were built between 1950 and 1989 and a little over 1 in 4 (27%) units is over 50 years old. (Table 87). (Figure 37).

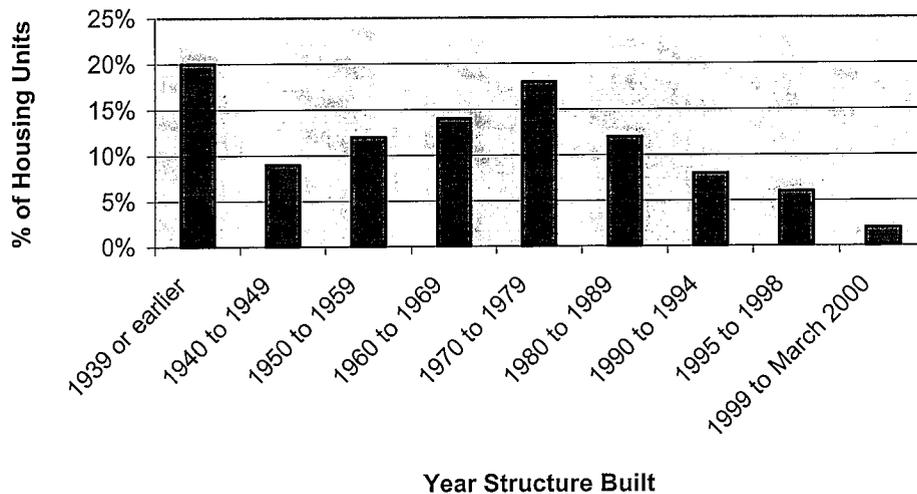
**Table 87**

**YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT  
2000**

Year Built	Illinois		Sangamon County		City of Springfield	
	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%
1999 to March 2000	79,970	2%	1,635	2%	1,007	2%
1995 to 1998	256,641	5%	5,876	7%	3,371	6%
1990 to 1994	268,350	5%	7,166	8%	4,559	8%
1980 to 1989	473,462	10%	9,933	12%	6,241	12%
1970 to 1979	798,295	16%	16,024	19%	9,491	18%
1960 to 1969	715,007	15%	11,415	13%	7,475	14%
1950 to 1959	738,811	15%	10,663	12%	6,373	12%
1940 to 1949	451,703	9%	7,516	9%	4,735	9%
1939 or earlier	1,103,376	23%	15,231	18%	10,635	20%
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,885,615</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>85,459</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>53,887</b>	<b>100%</b>

**Figure 37**

**YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT  
Springfield  
2000**



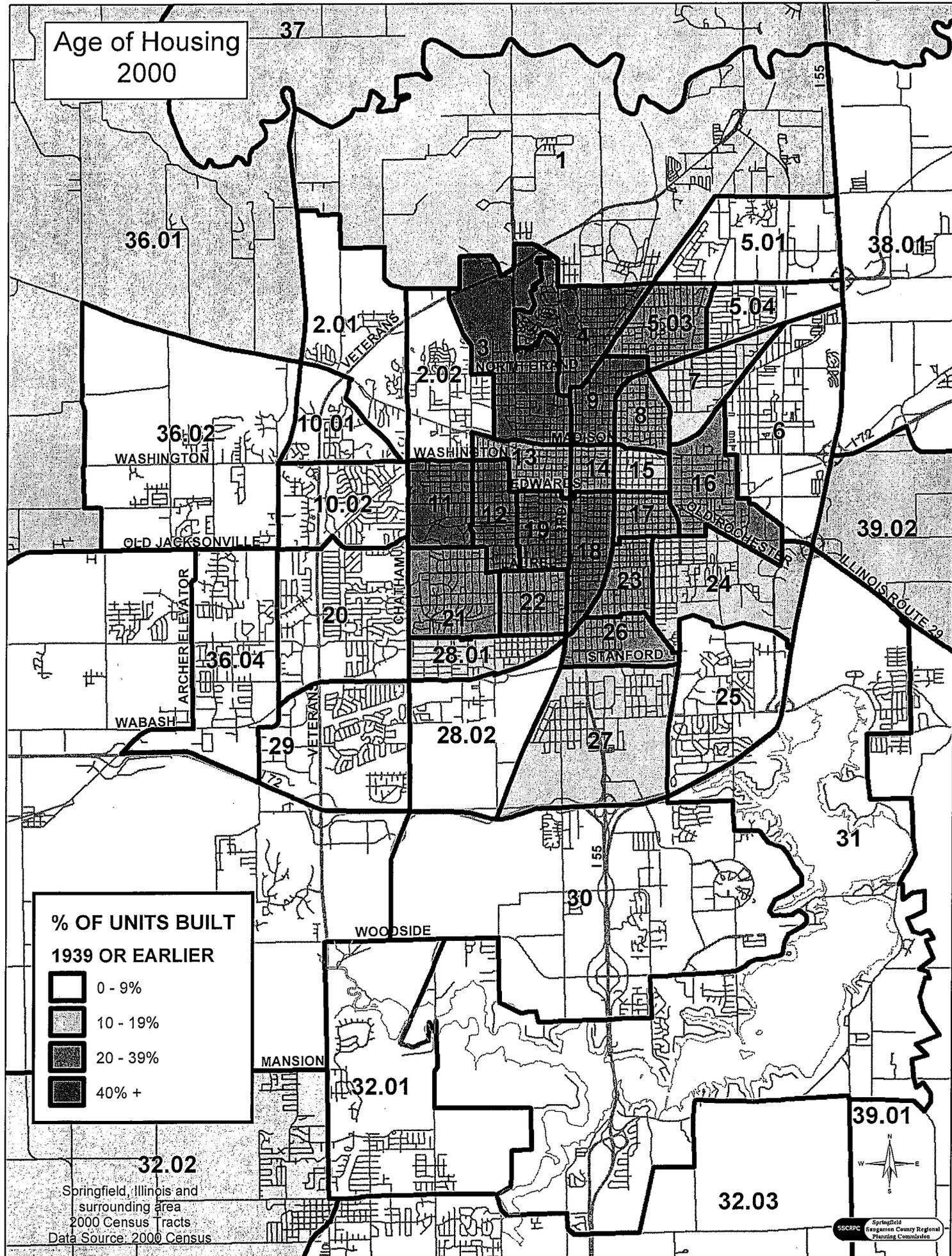
The distribution of housing by census tract based on age of the dwelling indicates the greatest proportion of older dwellings are primarily in the central and near west tracts. Newer housing units are located on the periphery of the urban area. (Table 88). (Figure 38).

High rates of newer housing built since 1990 occur in Ball (39%), Cooper (31%) and New Berlin (30%) Townships. Townships in which 1/3 or more of the housing was built in 1939 or earlier include Buffalo Hart, Cartwright, Illiopolis, Lanesville, Maxwell and Talkington Townships. 70% of the housing structures in Talkington Township were built in 1939 or earlier. (Table 89).

**Year Structure Built  
Sangamon County  
2000**

Census Tract	Total	Built 1999 to March 2000	Built 1995 to 1998	Built 1990 to 1994	Built 1980 to 1989	Built 1970 to 1979	Built 1960 to 1969	Built 1950 to 1959	Built 1940 to 1949	Built 1939 or earlier
1	2,027	0%	12%	10%	20%	23%	9%	8%	4%	14%
2.01	1,184	0%	5%	5%	8%	30%	19%	23%	8%	1%
2.02	2,139	1%	6%	9%	19%	27%	11%	14%	7%	8%
3	1,570	0%	2%	3%	2%	9%	16%	14%	11%	44%
4	1,585	0%	0%	0%	2%	6%	7%	18%	17%	49%
5.01	976	3%	5%	17%	10%	36%	20%	5%	2%	3%
5.03	1,880	0%	2%	3%	3%	6%	21%	24%	20%	20%
5.04	1,276	0%	1%	8%	7%	45%	29%	4%	3%	2%
6	2,914	1%	8%	9%	10%	21%	17%	15%	12%	8%
7	1,016	1%	3%	0%	1%	3%	13%	41%	23%	16%
8	721	1%	2%	0%	1%	7%	8%	19%	24%	38%
9	1,493	0%	0%	0%	6%	19%	9%	4%	10%	51%
10.01	1,084	1%	6%	17%	29%	31%	11%	3%	0%	1%
10.02	3,400	0%	1%	5%	22%	40%	23%	6%	2%	2%
11	1,235	0%	0%	0%	9%	10%	8%	12%	18%	42%
12	1,861	0%	0%	0%	2%	6%	6%	10%	13%	63%
13	1,374	0%	0%	0%	3%	10%	23%	21%	11%	32%
14	652	0%	2%	2%	42%	11%	3%	5%	1%	35%
15	607	1%	2%	9%	27%	14%	14%	7%	8%	17%
16	1,568	1%	2%	4%	2%	15%	19%	23%	10%	23%
17	783	1%	1%	1%	3%	16%	19%	23%	6%	31%
18	1,545	0%	0%	0%	1%	4%	5%	19%	15%	56%
19	2,261	0%	0%	0%	6%	15%	8%	11%	12%	48%
20	2,691	9%	5%	20%	21%	15%	18%	8%	2%	1%
21	1,779	1%	0%	2%	2%	12%	18%	16%	16%	33%
22	1,681	0%	1%	1%	1%	3%	7%	22%	26%	38%
23	1,219	0%	0%	0%	2%	4%	17%	23%	21%	33%
24	1,599	0%	4%	1%	3%	9%	27%	30%	14%	12%
25	2,251	0%	7%	12%	11%	14%	15%	26%	12%	3%
26	1,363	0%	0%	0%	1%	2%	10%	26%	30%	31%
27	1,764	0%	1%	2%	8%	13%	14%	29%	22%	10%
28.01	1,682	0%	1%	2%	6%	11%	14%	38%	18%	10%
28.02	1,786	0%	6%	19%	22%	33%	6%	7%	3%	3%
29	2,344	1%	5%	12%	20%	28%	27%	7%	0%	0%
30	2,334	1%	17%	25%	23%	23%	5%	2%	1%	2%
31	2,235	8%	12%	10%	7%	21%	18%	11%	9%	5%
32.01	958	13%	20%	1%	9%	39%	14%	3%	0%	0%
32.02	1,204	1%	14%	12%	13%	19%	23%	5%	1%	11%
32.03	1,729	4%	20%	16%	18%	24%	7%	2%	2%	6%
33	2,032	1%	8%	8%	8%	24%	11%	9%	9%	21%
34	2,402	3%	9%	11%	7%	16%	15%	10%	8%	21%
35	1,990	3%	10%	8%	12%	15%	8%	6%	6%	32%
36.01	936	2%	15%	12%	19%	21%	5%	7%	5%	14%
36.02	1,303	6%	8%	22%	28%	20%	7%	5%	1%	3%
36.03	1,211	8%	31%	26%	8%	13%	4%	2%	2%	7%
36.04	1,488	8%	44%	30%	10%	4%	4%	0%	0%	0%
37	2,550	4%	10%	11%	18%	26%	10%	6%	3%	11%
38.01	1,134	0%	16%	8%	24%	30%	11%	4%	4%	4%
38.02	2,116	2%	9%	12%	14%	26%	11%	5%	2%	18%
39.01	1,333	6%	15%	9%	19%	26%	10%	6%	5%	5%
39.02	1,468	1%	7%	15%	19%	28%	12%	5%	2%	12%
40	1,726	2%	6%	7%	12%	18%	9%	11%	9%	26%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>85,459</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>18%</b>

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**YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT  
By Township  
Sangamon County  
2000**

Township	Total	Built 1999 to March 2000	Built 1995 to 1998	Built 1990 to 1994	Built 1980 to 1989	Built 1970 to 1979	Built 1960 to 1969	Built 1950 to 1959	Built 1940 to 1949	Built 1939 or earlier	% Built 1990 to March 2000	% Built 1970 to 1989	% Built 1940 to 1969	% Built 1939 or earlier
Auburn	2,431	77	220	271	170	391	376	239	189	498	23%	23%	33%	20%
Ball	1,646	127	305	202	242	470	138	64	37	61	39%	43%	15%	4%
Buffalo Hart	90	0	0	13	7	31	6	0	0	33	14%	42%	7%	37%
Capital	53,917	1,007	3,371	4,559	6,241	9,500	7,496	6,373	4,735	10,635	17%	29%	35%	20%
Cartwright	596	30	35	46	84	113	25	37	15	211	19%	33%	13%	35%
Chatham	2,303	45	291	254	331	572	450	89	43	228	26%	39%	25%	10%
Clear Lake	3,212	46	298	393	565	928	333	151	91	407	23%	46%	18%	13%
Cooper	312	14	39	44	59	88	29	8	0	31	31%	47%	12%	10%
Cotton Hill	390	0	37	19	76	134	32	24	35	33	14%	54%	23%	8%
Curran	682	7	18	101	112	162	105	34	37	106	18%	40%	26%	16%
Divernon	657	5	49	70	73	124	49	55	66	166	19%	30%	26%	25%
Fancy Creek	1,475	54	144	147	305	411	151	80	39	144	23%	49%	18%	10%
Gardner	1,585	37	212	168	311	404	145	111	56	141	26%	45%	20%	9%
Illipolis	548	4	20	19	23	62	63	88	88	181	8%	16%	44%	33%
Island Grove	205	2	25	28	15	17	38	8	24	48	27%	16%	34%	23%
Lanesville	92	3	12	0	7	17	8	0	12	33	16%	26%	22%	36%
Loami	448	7	58	22	83	89	35	22	20	112	19%	38%	17%	25%
Maxwell	89	0	0	9	14	0	0	4	0	62	10%	16%	4%	70%
Mechanicsburg	903	11	60	71	149	164	74	88	49	237	16%	35%	23%	26%
New Berlin	542	27	90	45	37	81	42	51	36	133	30%	22%	24%	25%
Pawnee	1,194	17	68	82	68	322	159	130	109	239	14%	33%	33%	20%
Rochester	1,731	47	120	167	281	494	278	147	43	154	19%	45%	27%	9%
Springfield	3,263	5	167	133	271	554	470	699	502	462	9%	25%	51%	14%
Talkington	110	0	0	0	5	8	19	0	15	63	0%	12%	31%	57%
Williams	1,233	56	145	155	172	324	118	74	50	139	29%	40%	20%	11%
Woodside	5,805	7	92	148	232	564	776	2,087	1,225	674	4%	14%	70%	12%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>85,459</b>	<b>1,635</b>	<b>5,876</b>	<b>7,166</b>	<b>9,933</b>	<b>16,024</b>	<b>11,415</b>	<b>10,663</b>	<b>7,516</b>	<b>15,231</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>30%</b>	<b>35%</b>	<b>18%</b>

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## Housing Value

Census data on housing values are presented in current dollar figures (not constant dollars adjusted for inflation) and are based on the respondent's estimate of how much the property or unit would sell for if it were for sale at Census time. With these two limitations in mind, figures for housing unit values should be regarded as approximate, not exact, values and as having limited validity in historical comparison.

**Table 90**

### **HOUSING VALUE 2000**

	<b>Owner</b>	<b>Renter</b>
	<b>Median Value</b>	<b>Median Gross Rent</b>
<b>Illinois</b>	\$130,800	\$605
<b>Sangamon County</b>	\$91,200	\$503
<b>Springfield</b>	\$88,600	\$499

Housing value shows a definite geographic pattern within the Springfield area. Housing units with the lowest values are located in the eastern parts of Springfield. Tract 17 has the lowest median value at \$32,900. The highest value housing is located on the southern and western sides. Tract 36.04 has the highest value at \$170,000. (Table 91). (Figure 39).

The distribution of renter-occupied units according to rent paid is similar to that for housing value, with lower priced rental units across the central part of Springfield and the higher rents in the west and south. (Table 91). (Figure 40).

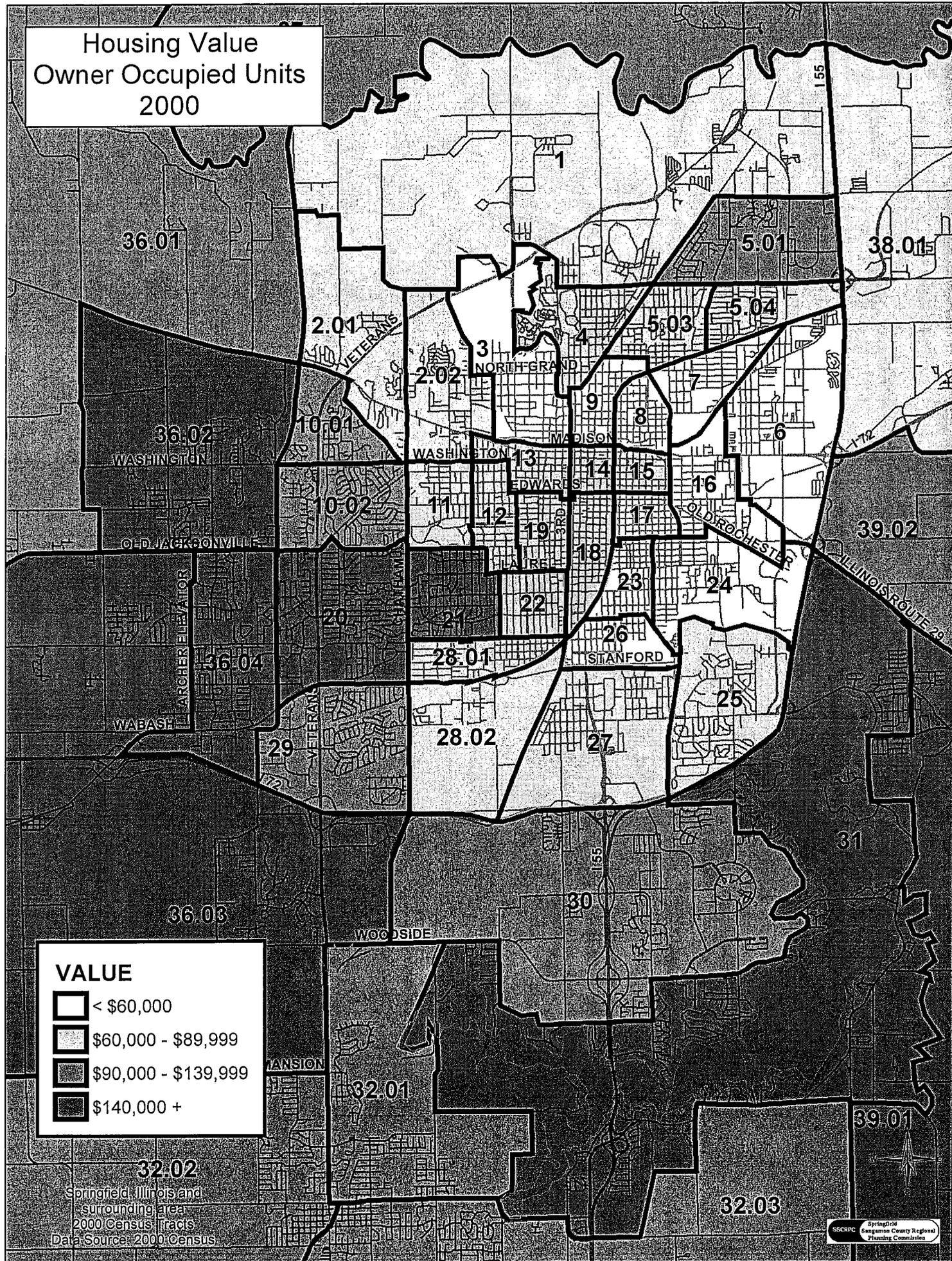
Township figures indicate the highest housing value is in Maxwell Township with a \$161,400 median housing value. The lowest median housing values are in Springfield and Talkington Townships with a \$57,500 and \$58,300 median housing value respectively. Median gross rent figures by township show the highest median gross rent for specified renter-occupied housing is in Ball Township at \$693 and the lowest is in Maxwell Township at \$325. It is interesting to note that Talkington Township with one of the lowest housing values has one of the highest rents. (Table 92).

**MEDIAN VALUE OF OWNER-OCCUPIED HOUSING UNITS & MEDIAN GROSS RENT  
Sangamon County  
2000**

Census Tract	Median Value	Median Gross Rent
1	\$78,600	\$493
2.01	\$89,400	\$501
2.02	\$70,400	\$491
3	\$53,600	\$476
4	\$63,400	\$488
5.01	\$102,800	\$686
5.03	\$60,100	\$441
5.04	\$76,200	\$642
6	\$59,100	\$418
7	\$54,400	\$566
8	\$40,100	\$486
9	\$44,100	\$311
10.01	\$129,200	\$535
10.02	\$108,500	\$530
11	\$82,400	\$672
12	\$84,400	\$437
13	\$70,100	\$399
14	\$85,000	\$309
15	\$65,500	\$194
16	\$37,500	\$435
17	\$32,900	\$457
18	\$68,500	\$430
19	\$72,100	\$402
20	\$146,400	\$676
21	\$140,300	\$483
22	\$79,200	\$547
23	\$43,400	\$495
24	\$50,300	\$496
25	\$77,700	\$476
26	\$57,700	\$572
27	\$64,800	\$530
28.01	\$73,500	\$513
28.02	\$61,500	\$538
29	\$114,700	\$681
30	\$109,800	\$585
31	\$161,700	\$783
32.01	\$108,900	\$671
32.02	\$94,800	\$796
32.03	\$136,100	\$590
33	\$84,000	\$513
34	\$82,000	\$489
35	\$88,400	\$504
36.01	\$120,100	\$775
36.02	\$159,100	\$611
36.03	\$169,900	\$448
36.04	\$170,000	\$641
37	\$120,000	\$567
38.01	\$87,500	\$455
38.02	\$93,400	\$535
39.01	\$146,800	\$536
39.02	\$122,800	\$511
40	\$79,100	\$483
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$91,200</b>	<b>\$503</b>

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Housing Value  
Owner Occupied Units  
2000

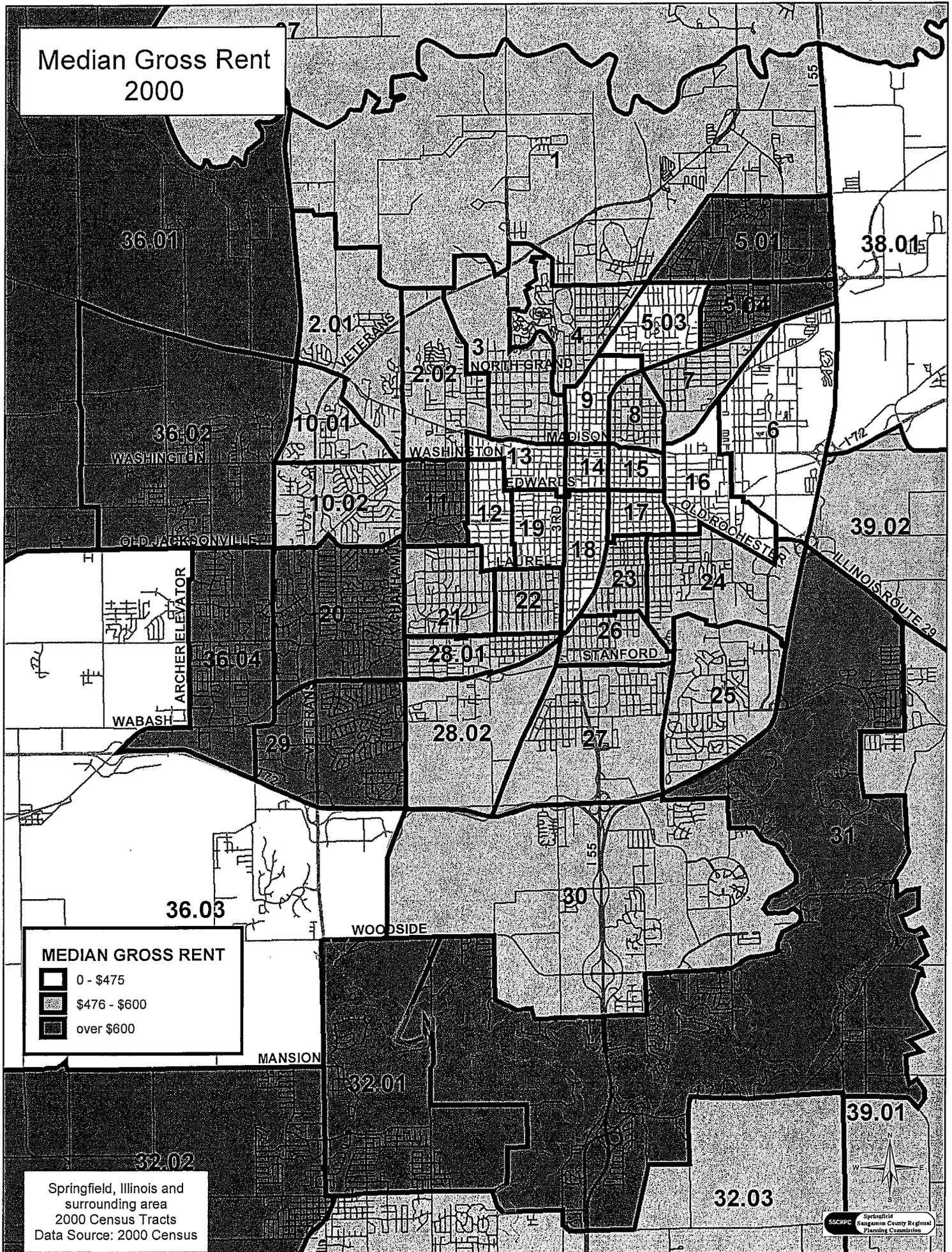


VALUE

- < \$60,000
- \$60,000 - \$89,999
- \$90,000 - \$139,999
- \$140,000 +

Springfield, Illinois and  
surrounding area  
2000 Census Tracts  
Data Source: 2000 Census

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**HOUSING VALUE & GROSS RENT**  
**Township**  
**Sangamon County**  
**2000**

<b>Township</b>	<b>Median Housing Value</b>	<b>Median Gross Rent</b>
Auburn	\$82,300	\$489
Ball	143,600	693
Buffalo Hart	98,600	0
Capital	88,700	499
Cartwright	98,000	525
Chatham	96,200	641
Clear Lake	99,800	486
Cooper	127,300	730
Cotton Hill	137,500	467
Curran	127,800	383
Divernon	83,200	520
Fancy Creek	123,500	611
Gardner	124,200	604
Illioopolis	70,900	458
Island Grove	111,400	497
Lanesville	77,700	563
Loami	76,000	520
Maxwell	161,400	325
Mechanicsburg	80,600	473
New Berlin	86,500	480
Pawnee	82,000	503
Rochester	124,900	533
Springfield	57,500	451
Talkington	58,300	625
Williams	114,700	555
Woodside	77,500	512
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$91,200</b>	<b>\$503</b>

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## Vacancy

A housing unit is vacant if no one is living in it at the time of Census enumeration, unless its occupants are only temporarily absent. Units temporarily occupied at the time of enumeration by persons who have a usual residence elsewhere are also classified as vacant.

The vacancy rate serves as an indication of the availability of housing. Some vacancies are desirable and the acceptable vacancy rate for multiple-family housing is higher than for single-family housing. Overall, a 4-5% vacancy rate is considered necessary to provide reasonable mobility in the housing market. Unusually high vacancy rates could be an indication of market saturation or poor housing quality.

**Table 93**

### **VACANT HOUSING 2000**

	Total Housing Units	# Vacant	% Vacant		
			Owner Vacancy Rate	Rental Vacancy Rate	Total Vacancy Rate
<b>Illinois</b>	4,885,615	293,836	1.5	6.2	6.0
<b>Sangamon County</b>	85,459	6,737	2.0	10.3	7.9
<b>Springfield</b>	53,887	5,214	2.4	11.0	9.5

Vacancy rates in Springfield and Sangamon County are higher than the state average. (Table 93). The total vacancy rates in the city have increased every decade since 1970. Sangamon County has also shown an increase in housing vacancies. (Table 94).

**Table 94**

### **VACANCY RATES 1970-2000**

	Sangamon County				Springfield			
	1970	1980	1990	2000	1970	1980	1990	2000
Owner	1.0	2.0	1.5	2.0	1.2	1.7	1.7	2.4
Rental	6.4	10.1	8.0	10.3	7.5	10.2	8.7	11.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>6.5</b>	<b>6.1</b>	<b>7.9</b>	<b>5.1</b>	<b>6.8</b>	<b>7.3</b>	<b>9.5</b>

Vacancy rates increased in almost all census tracts from 1990-2000. However, several census tracts showed large increases for which a reason should be determined. These are tracts 9, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 23 and 25. (Table 95).

The highest vacancy rates, 15% or higher, are in the central tracts. In tracts 9, 16 and 17, one in 4 housing units is vacant. The lowest rate at 2% is found in tract 5.04. (Table 96). (Figure 41).

**VACANCY RATES  
Sangamon County  
1990-2000**

Census Tract	% Vacant	
	1990	2000
1	8%	8%
2	5%	
2.01		5%
2.02		7%
3	8%	12%
4	9%	12%
5.01	3%	3%
5.02	2%	
5.03		4%
5.04		2%
6	4%	7%
7	4%	6%
8	25%	17%
9	13%	26%
10	4%	
10.01		4%
10.02		5%
11	5%	4%
12	6%	9%
13	14%	18%
14	12%	21%
15	8%	19%
16	9%	25%
17	16%	25%
18	14%	20%
19	11%	17%
20	6%	6%
21	4%	5%
22	3%	5%
23	8%	16%
24	9%	10%
25	3%	8%
26	5%	8%
27	4%	6%
28	5%	
28.01		5%
28.02		12%
29	2%	4%
30	4%	4%
31	4%	5%
32	2%	
32.01		3%
32.02		2%
32.03		3%
33	5%	6%
34	6%	7%
35	7%	6%
36	5%	
36.01		4%
36.02		3%
36.03		7%
36.04		6%
37	3%	3%
38	4%	
38.01		10%
38.02		4%
39	5%	
39.01		4%
39.02		3%
40	4%	7%
TOTAL	6%	8%

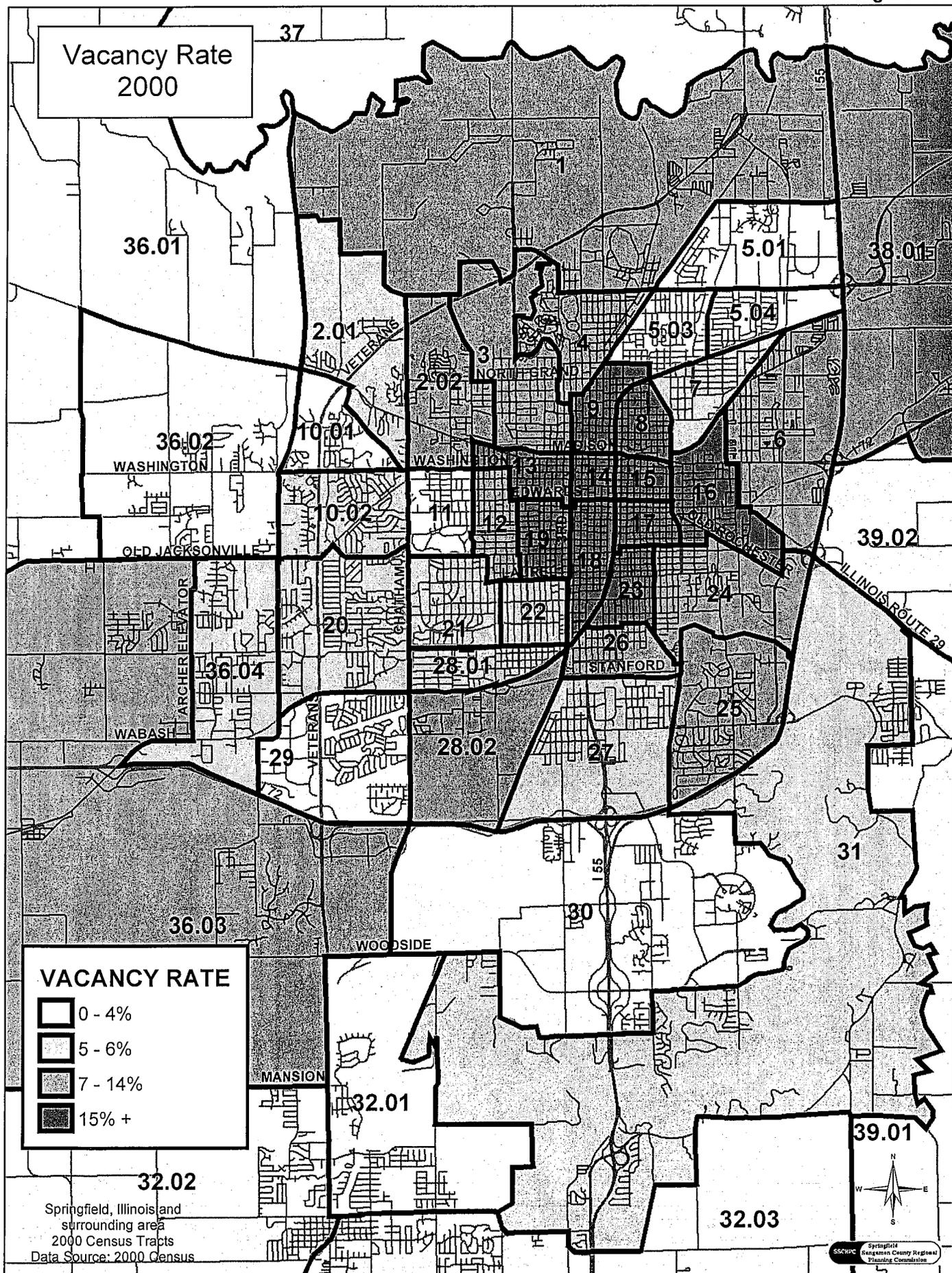
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**VACANT HOUSING UNITS**  
**Sangamon County**  
**2000**

Census Tract	Total HU	Occupied HU	Vacant HU	% Vacant HU
1	2,027	1,866	161	8%
2.01	1,198	1,143	55	5%
2.02	2,139	1,987	152	7%
3	1,570	1,388	182	12%
4	1,576	1,391	185	12%
5.01	985	960	25	3%
5.03	1,866	1,783	83	4%
5.04	1,272	1,245	27	2%
6	2,914	2,713	201	7%
7	1,016	957	59	6%
8	684	569	115	17%
9	1,466	1,091	375	26%
10.01	1,088	1,047	41	4%
10.02	3,400	3,227	173	5%
11	1,262	1,208	54	4%
12	1,895	1,729	166	9%
13	1,340	1,094	246	18%
14	667	529	138	21%
15	577	470	107	19%
16	1,583	1,181	402	25%
17	809	609	200	25%
18	1,519	1,210	309	20%
19	2,244	1,864	380	17%
20	2,691	2,542	149	6%
21	1,779	1,683	96	5%
22	1,698	1,615	83	5%
23	1,219	1,027	192	16%
24	1,579	1,415	164	10%
25	2,251	2,061	190	8%
26	1,383	1,271	112	8%
27	1,801	1,694	107	6%
28.01	1,682	1,597	85	5%
28.02	1,842	1,625	217	12%
29	2,288	2,205	83	4%
30	2,334	2,244	90	4%
31	2,239	2,130	109	5%
32.01	954	923	31	3%
32.02	1,222	1,196	26	2%
32.03	1,729	1,679	50	3%
33	2,032	1,920	112	6%
34	2,384	2,224	160	7%
35	1,990	1,880	110	6%
36.01	980	944	36	4%
36.02	1,301	1,267	34	3%
36.03	1,213	1,134	79	7%
36.04	1,444	1,360	84	6%
37	2,550	2,473	77	3%
38.01	1,134	1,023	111	10%
38.02	2,116	2,025	91	4%
39.01	1,333	1,285	48	4%
39.02	1,468	1,417	51	3%
40	1,726	1,602	124	7%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>85,459</b>	<b>78,722</b>	<b>6,737</b>	<b>8%</b>

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Figure 41



A look at vacancy by the number of units in the structure (housing type) shows the vacancy rate is highest in multiple-family units (2 or more units) and lowest in single-family attached structures. (Table 97).

**Table 97**

**VACANCY BY TYPE OF STRUCTURE  
Sangamon County  
2000**

<b>Units in Structure</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Vacant</b>	<b>% Vacant</b>
1, Detached	58,723	3,013	5%
1, Attached	3,142	271	9%
2	3,963	649	16%
3 or 4	3,839	737	19%
5 to 9	3,629	568	16%
10 to 19	2,689	354	13%
20 to 49	1,193	200	17%
50 +	2,712	436	16%
Mobile Home	5,551	509	9%
Boat, RV, Van, etc.	18	0	0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>85,459</b>	<b>6,737</b>	<b>8%</b>

Vacancy rates by age of structures indicate that the highest vacancy rate is in structures built in 1939 or earlier. The lowest is in structures built from 1980-1989. (Table 98). The high rate in 1999 to Census time reflects newly built housing and its high vacancy rate is expected.

**Table 98**

**VACANCY BY YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT  
Sangamon County  
2000**

	<b>Total Housing Units</b>	<b>Vacant Housing Units</b>	<b>% Vacant</b>
Built 1999 to March 2000	1,635	365	22%
Built 1995 to 1998	5,876	413	7%
Built 1990 to 1994	7,166	403	6%
Built 1980 to 1989	9,933	400	4%
Built 1970 to 1979	16,024	955	6%
Built 1960 to 1969	11,415	1,030	9%
Built 1950 to 1959	10,663	867	8%
Built 1940 to 1949	7,516	403	5%
Built 1939 or earlier	15,231	1,901	12%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>85,459</b>	<b>6,737</b>	<b>8%</b>

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