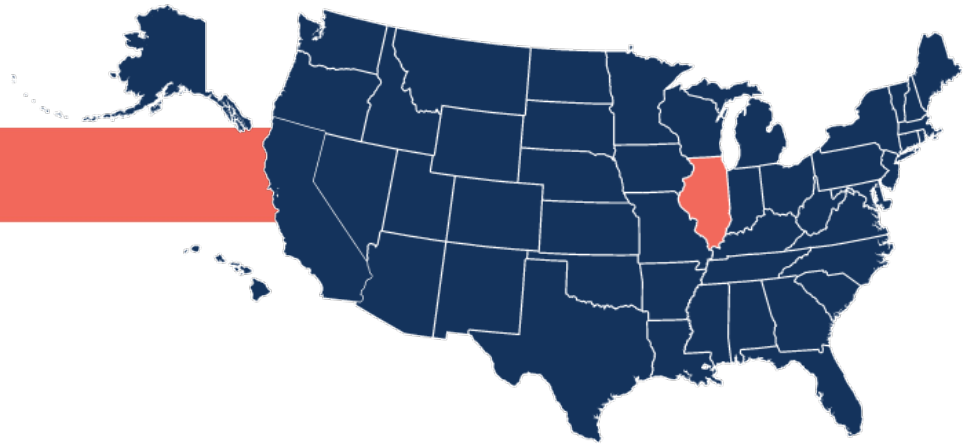# ILLINOIS

STATEWIDE

Population: **12,582,515**
Households without a computer: **6.5%**
Households without Internet: **11.9%**
Persons in Poverty: **11.9%**

Broadband Programs

- 5-Year Broadband Action Plan

- Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment Program Initial Proposal Volume I & Volume II

- Governor Pritzker announces new interactive broadband mapping and speed test tools to expand access to high speed internet in communities across the state (Silence DoGood, the Southland Journal, Oct. 9, 2021)

- Illinois's Director of the Office of Broadband Matt Schmit is empowering local governments and communities ahead of BEAD projects (Jake Neenan, Broadband Breakfast, Oct. 2023)

- American Rescue Plan Act Will Help Connect Illinois (Kevin Taglang, Benton Institute for Broadband & Society, Jan. 10, 2023)

Community Perspectives

- **Jackson County** | University of Illinois Officials Give Updates on Rural Broadband (Marilyn Halstead, Gov. Tech, Oct. 4, 2023)

- **Hancock County** | Hancock County, Illinois, begins push for rural broadband to aid ag-industry (Dylan Smith, WGEM, Jan. 19, 2023)

- **St. Clair County** | Girl Scouts helping to provide computers to Southern Illinois residents (Aprylete Russell, Fox 2 Now, Jan. 2021)

- **Chicago** | 'It's just not right': Chicago area seniors deal with digital divide when making vaccine appointments (Tonya Francisco, WGN TV, Feb. 16, 2021)

- Broadband Planning Tools for Rural Farming Communities (Adrianne Furniss, The Benton Institute for Broadband & Society, Dec. 12, 2023)

- Broadband Illinois (The Partnership for a Connected Illinois (PCI) is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization based in Springfield, Illinois seeking to advance the deployment and adoption of high-speed internet services and information technology)

JACKSONVILLE CITY	URBANA CITY	HIGHLAND CITY	CHAMPAIGN CITY	CARBONDALE CITY
Population: **17,279**	Population: **38,468**	Population: **10,009**	Population: **89,241**	Population: **21,717**
Households without a computer: **13.6%**	Households without a computer: **5.8%**	Households without a computer: **6.7%**	Households without a computer: **3.5%**	Households without a computer: **3.9%**
Households without Internet: **22.3%**	Households without Internet: **19.3%**	Households without Internet: **7.7%**	Households without Internet: **11.9%**	Households without Internet: **13.7%**
Persons in Poverty: **17.7%**	Persons in Poverty: **27.7%**	Persons in Poverty: **3.4%**	Persons in Poverty: **23.6%**	Persons in Poverty: **37.9%**