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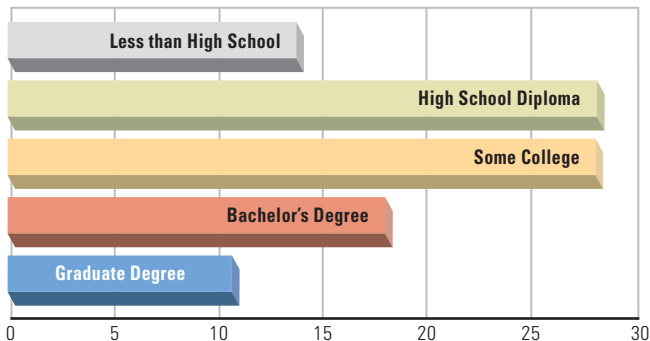


Governor: Pat Quinn (D)

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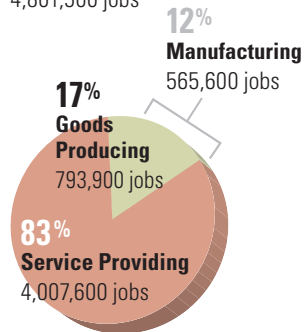
Population 2010: 12,951,671 **Population growth forecast 2010-2014:** 2.83% **Median household income:** \$61,293

Work Force Education by Percentage



Private Sector Employment

4,801,500 jobs



2010 New Economy Index Rankings

Overall Ranking: **15**

Immigration of Domestic and Foreign Knowledge Workers: **T18**

Manufacturing Value-Added: **26**

Export Focus of Manufacturing and Services: **19**

Industry Investment in R&D: **13**

Median Hourly Wage for Production Occupations: **\$14.31**

Right-to-work state? **NO**

Legislative Update

- The Illinois Small Business Job Creation Tax Credit was created. The \$2,500 credit will be available to businesses with 50 or fewer employees that hire new, full-time Illinois employees during a 12-month period beginning last July 1. Gov. Quinn also signed legislation to create the Angel Investment Tax Credit. Investors may claim 25 percent of an investment

into a qualified Illinois business venture.

- The state's existing New Markets Tax Credit for new investment into small businesses in underserved communities was increased. The new law doubles the cap on Illinois' existing New Markets Tax Credit program — from \$10 million to \$20 million.