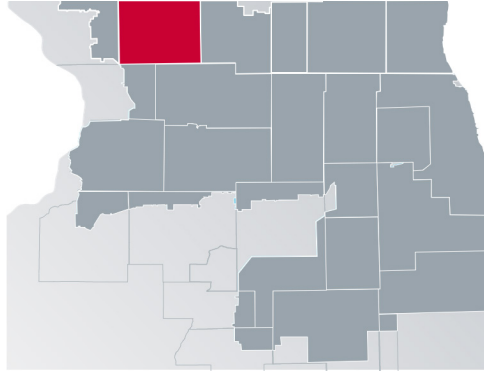


# STEPHENSON COUNTY

## SUSTAINABLE ENERGY SUCCESS



ComEd works closely with its economic development allies to leverage our top-performing electric reliability, the competitive Illinois energy market, and our business-focused energy efficiency program to help power innovation and create jobs.

Since 2008, over **770** Stephenson County businesses have participated in the ComEd<sup>®</sup> Energy Efficiency Program, earning over **\$6.1 million** in total business incentives. These businesses have saved over **72,390,000 kWh** on their annual electric bills.

### GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS EQUIVALENT

Stephenson County businesses' cumulative energy savings provides an annual reduction in carbon dioxide emissions equivalent to:

**8,370 homes**  
powered for  
one year or

**50,060 acres**  
of U.S. forests  
in one year or

**8,325 cars**  
removed from the  
road for one year

The ComEd Energy Efficiency Program offers incentives, technical services and whole-building solutions to help businesses use energy more efficiently. For more information, visit [ComEd.com/BizIncentives](https://www.comed.com/BizIncentives), call **855-433-2700** during normal business hours to speak with a representative or email us at [BusinessEE@ComEd.com](mailto:BusinessEE@ComEd.com).

### SOLAR ENERGY

Solar energy has started generating significant interest across northern Illinois. Stephenson County businesses interconnected **172** new solar systems to our grid, resulting in **2,311 kW** of new generation capacity. To learn more about our Solar Energy offering visit [ComEd.com/Solar](https://www.comed.com/Solar).

Clean and Reliable Energy. Job Creation.

# ECONOMIC GROWTH IN ILLINOIS



## ILLINOIS' ECONOMY DEPENDS ON MODERN ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE

ComEd's Economic and Workforce Development Team strategically partners with state and regional development stakeholders to grow Illinois' diverse business base. Customers enjoy low power prices, industry-leading reliability performance, access to 100% renewable energy options, and an extensive portfolio of energy efficiency programs. We are committed to our role in stimulating economic growth in Illinois by helping power innovation and create jobs in all communities.

### INDUSTRY LEADING RELIABILITY

Since passage of the Smart Grid law in 2011, ComEd has invested more than **\$2.6 BILLION TO UPGRADE AND MODERNIZE THE ELECTRIC GRID**. Those investments have resulted in industry-leading power reliability, giving ComEd best on record performance from 2012-2019.

### LOW AND STABLE ENERGY PRICES

Illinois had the **SMALLEST INCREASE IN AVERAGE ELECTRIC PRICES** in the U.S. (1997 - 2019). Industrial prices are below the national average and among the lowest in the Midwest.

### ComEd® ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAM

ComEd's Energy Efficiency Program is one of the largest in the nation and has **SAVED RESIDENTIAL AND BUSINESS CUSTOMERS MORE THAN \$4.5 BILLION** since 2008.

### CLEAN AND RENEWABLE POWER

ComEd provides customers with solar rebates as well as access to **100% RENEWABLE OPTIONS THROUGH THE ILLINOIS COMPETITIVE ENERGY MARKET** and has over 100% zero carbon energy supply available to meet the entire load of the ComEd service territory.

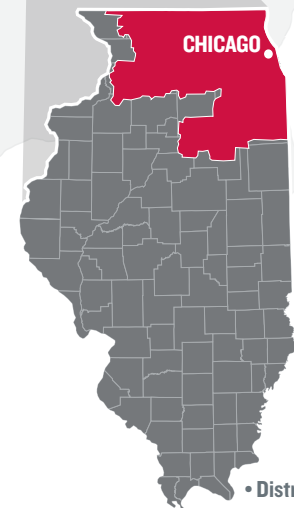
### REDUCED DEPOSITS FOR SERVICE EXTENSIONS

Customers receive **LARGE UP-FRONT CREDITS** for electric line extensions and can recoup deposits on an accelerated timeline.

### BENEFICIAL ELECTRIFICATION

Electrifying transportation, industrial processes, buildings, and agriculture can **REDUCE EMISSIONS AND ENHANCE SUSTAINABILITY** for future generations.

MORE THAN **4M**  
CUSTOMERS IN  
NORTHERN ILLINOIS



**70%**  
OF THE STATE'S  
POPULATION

Civilian  
**WORKFORCE**  
OF 6.5 MILLION  
people<sup>1</sup>

### FOCUS AREAS INCLUDE

- Data Centers
- Manufacturing
- Food Processing
- Distribution & Logistics
- Indoor Agriculture
- Transportation

**ComEd**®

An Exelon Company

powering lives

## TOP PERFORMING ELECTRIC RELIABILITY

### INDUSTRY LEADING

Benchmarked with 24 peer utilities in 2018, ComEd delivered "best in class" performance for fewest interruptions<sup>2</sup> putting ComEd in the **TOP 10% OF THE ENTIRE UTILITY INDUSTRY** (ranked #1 among peer utilities, which are of similar size and demographics)

**RANKED 2ND LOWEST FOR OUTAGE DURATION**

HIGHEST  
**163**

LOWEST  
**70**

ComEd  
**81**

(Avg. outage duration in minutes)



The smart grid has delivered the **BEST POWER RELIABILITY AND FEWEST CUSTOMER INTERRUPTIONS ON RECORD**

from 2012-2019, avoiding more than 13M interruptions and helping to earn Illinois a #2 ranking<sup>3</sup>

## LOW AND STABLE ENERGY PRICES

Deregulation resulted in more than

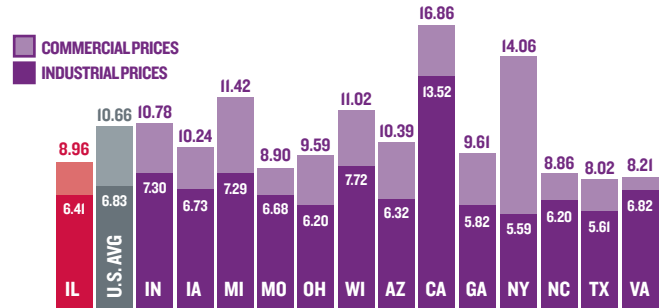
**\$50B**

Total **ALL-SECTOR** improved price position<sup>4</sup>

Illinois is tied for the **SMALLEST INCREASE IN AVERAGE ELECTRIC PRICES**

in the U.S. from 1997-2019 at 23%, well below the cost of inflation

Just  
**23%!**



**ILLINOIS' INDUSTRIAL/COMMERCIAL PRICES ARE AMONG THE LOWEST** in the Midwest and compare favorably with other key states. In fact, over the last 10 years, these prices in Illinois have decreased 2% on average.

Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA)

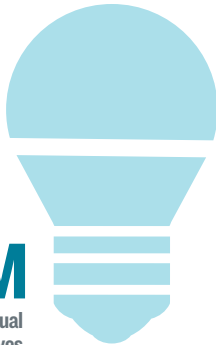
ComEd.com/CustomerChoice

## BUSINESS-FOCUSED ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAMS

Since the program's 2008 inception, over 107,685 business customers saved more than

**\$1.9B**  
in electricity costs

**\$126M**  
in available annual program incentives



Lifetime business program energy savings is equivalent to removing

**4,729,857**  
cars from the road

ComEd.com/BizIncentives

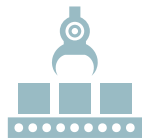
## CLEAN AND RENEWABLE ENERGY OPTIONS

- ComEd provides solar rebates of **\$250/kW** up to **2,000kW**
- **ILLINOIS RANKS 6TH** in installed wind capacity with **5,350MW**
- Customers have access to **100% RENEWABLE OPTIONS**
- Illinois as a whole:
  - Will be **25% RENEWABLE BY 2025**
  - Has **ACHIEVED 80% PROGRESS** toward the 2025 Paris Accord goal (and on pace to achieve target)



ComEd.com/Solar

## FOCUSED SECTORS



### MANUFACTURING & FOOD PROCESSING

With a strong workforce pipeline, Illinois has a long-standing history of manufacturing and food processing with over 1,500 business customers located in ComEd's service territory.



### DATA CENTERS

Chicago and Northern Illinois is the fourth largest data center market<sup>5</sup>, while new sales tax incentives increase future attractiveness of the State.



### DISTRIBUTION & LOGISTICS<sup>6</sup>

With the largest intermodal system in the U.S. and the third largest interstate highway system, Northern Illinois is a major regional and national hub for distribution companies.



### TRANSPORTATION

Increasing trends toward sustainability are driving transportation networks to consider electrification options, accentuating the asset of available clean energy and grid reliability.



### INDOOR AGRICULTURE

As an emerging sector, Illinois' low power prices and alternative programs, such as Hourly Pricing, are proving beneficial to indoor agriculture facilities.

Through increased reliability, competitive energy markets, energy efficiency initiatives, and a focus on infrastructure enhancement and renewable energy options, ComEd is working to keep Illinois economically competitive.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION** on ComEd's Economic and Workforce Development efforts:

**VISIT** [ComEd.com/EconDev](http://ComEd.com/EconDev) | **EMAIL** [EconDev@ComEd.com](mailto:EconDev@ComEd.com)

1 Source: EMSI & BLS, 2019

2 Source: Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers reliability standards 1366.

3 Source: GridWise Alliance's Grid Modernization Index, 2018

4 Source: Calculation completed by PROactive Strategies, Inc.

5 Source: CBRE North American Data Center Report H2

6 Source: Intersect Illinois 2020