

# Some Blame Taxes As Illinois Grows On Paper But Loses Residents

By Sean Reed | The Center Square  
Illinois' population has continued to narrowly grow this year, despite a significant number of cities in the state losing residents to other states.

Some say the trend of increasing tax rates is to blame.

The majority of metropolitan areas in the state have lost residents again in 2025, with Census Bureau data estimates showing only two major areas with any real domestic growth, Rockford and the Illinois portion of the St. Louis metro.

Bryce Hill, director of fiscal and economic analysis for the Illinois Policy Institute, said taxes are driving Illinoisans beyond state boundaries.

"Illinois already imposes one of the highest tax burdens in the country, with the nation's highest property taxes, among the highest sales taxes, and a 32% income tax increase in 2017," Hill said. "If state leaders are serious about reversing domestic outmigration, they must focus on tax relief and reducing regulatory barriers to make Illinois more competitive and affordable."

Rockford is the only main metro in the state that saw true population growth, according to the data. The gain came from all areas, domestic and international migration, and a natural population increase.

The Chicago metro, including surrounding counties, saw a domestic migration loss of almost 34,000, with the area only growing by 4,200 people when accounting for international migration.

Darren Bailey, the Republican nominee for Illinois Governor, also pointed to state taxes as a big reason people are leaving Illinois.

"It's pretty simple. It's affordability. People can't afford to live here. I mean that is the number one far and away issue. I have been in Chicago for the last two weeks," Bailey said. "Property taxes are too high - especially for our friends here in Chicago, they have escalated in the last three years much faster than ours have in the rest of the state."

Bailey said schools and public safety are also concerns he believes could be improved to bring and keep residents in the state.

Bailey won the Republican primary election for governor earlier this month and is spending time on the ground in Chicago as part of his current campaign.

According to a recent U.S. Census Bureau report, Cook County ranks fifth highest in the nation for international net migration as of yearly data collected through June 2025.

Accounting for people migrating out of the U.S., the survey found that the county saw a net gain of just over 27,000 people. In an expanded area that incorpora-

tes the collar counties, that number is roughly 10,000 more.

The finding is a significant decline from the previous year, but follows a national trend of decreased immigration.

Asked if he has any concerns of hard-working people from other countries skipping over Illinois - or the U.S. as a whole - immigration actions in Illinois, Bailey said he is, saying Pritzker's opposition to the Trump administration has made the situation worse.

"Have there been mistakes made in some of the actions of ICE? Sure there have. The reason that ICE is having to do what they're doing is because J.B. Pritzker will not allow state and federal law enforcement to do their job," said Bailey.

Other metropolitan areas, including Bloomington, Champaign, Decatur, Peoria, Kankakee, and Springfield all saw outward migration domestically, ranging from a few hundred to a few thousand people.

Decatur and Kankakee both saw a decline in population when accounting for international migration and natural population changes.

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## LEGAL NOTICES

### PUBLIC NOTICE IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIR- CUIT

MARSHALL COUNTY,  
ILLINOIS

IN RE:

The Estate of Elizabeth J. Inman,  
Deceased

Case # 26 PR 5

### NOTICE OF PROBATE, RIGHTS OF HEIRS AND CLAIM DATE

Notice is given of the death of Elizabeth J. Inman on January 25, 2026, and that Letters of Office as Executor were issued on March 20, 2026 to David Inman who may be contacted c/o his attorney as set forth below.

Claims may be filed six (6) months from the date of the first publication of this Notice of Claim Date or three (3) months from the date of mailing or delivery, whichever is later, and any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Claims against the estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Marshall County Courthouse, 122 N. Prairie Street, PO Box 328, Lacon, IL 61540, or with the Representative, or both. Within ten (10) days after a claimant files its claim with the Court, the claimant must mail or deliver a copy of the claim to the Representative AND to his attorney of record AND file with the Court proof of mailing or delivery of said copies.

Heirs and Legatees are hereby further given notice of their rights: (1) to a copy of all documents of record, by request directed to the Clerk of the Court or to the Administrator c/o counsel listed below; (2) to petition the Court within 42 days of admission of the will to probate to require proof of the Will by testimony of the witnesses to the Will or other evidence; (3) to contest the validity of the Will by filing a petition within 6 months after admission of the Will to probate; (4) to petition to terminate independent administration and/or to hold a hearing to resolve any question that may arise during independent administration; and (5) to question or object to any item included in or omitted from an inventory or account, or to require same. These rights are more fully set forth in the Illinois Probate Act, 755 ILCS 5/28-1 et seq. All filings are to be electronically submitted, with copy to the undersigned, unless electronic filing is excused for cause shown.

Dated March 25, 2026

/s/ **Scott A. Shore,**

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### PUBLIC NOTICE IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

MARSHALL COUNTY,  
ILLINOIS

ESTATE OF )

JASON SAMUEL TALLYN,  
Deceased

Case No. 2026-PR-4

### CLAIMS NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of Jason Samuel Tallyn, deceased, of 315 S. Hickory St., Toluca, Marshall County, Illinois. Letters of Administration were issued on March 18th, 2026, to Bruce J. Tallyn, Jr. and Lisa A. Tallyn, 407 Pleasant St, Benson, IL 61516, whose attorney is Ryan J. Anderson, 611 Second Street, P.O. Box 174, Henry, IL 61537.

Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of said Court at the Marshall County Courthouse, 122 N. Prairie Street, Lacon, IL 61540 on or before October 1, 2026, or, if mailing or delivery of a notice from the representative is required by 755 ILCS 5/18-3, the date stated in that notice. Any claim not filed on or before said date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered by the claimant to the representative within 10 days after it has been filed and proof of such mailing must be filed with the Court.

Dated: March 27th, 2026.

Bruce J. Tallyn, Jr. and  
Lisa A. Tallyn

Independent Co-Administrator of  
the Estate of Jason Samuel Tallyn

**Ryan J. Anderson**

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Copies of the proposed 2025-2026 Budget and Appropriation Ordinance are available for public inspection at Lacon City Hall.

## PUBLIC NOTICE IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

MARSHALL COUNTY,  
ILLINOIS

NEWREZ LLC,  
Plaintiff,

vs.

JACOB KYLE BARTH;  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE;  
SECRETARY OF HOUSING  
AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT;  
UNKNOWN OWNERS AND  
NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS;  
Defendant(s).

CASE NO. 2026FC14

**Property Address:**

**216 W. Santa Fe Ave.**

**Toluca, IL 61369**

## NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

The requisite affidavit for publication having been filed, notice is hereby given you, JACOB KYLE; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS; defendants in the above entitled cause, that suit has been commenced against you and other defendants in the Circuit Court for the Judicial Circuit by said plaintiff praying for the foreclosure of a certain mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to wit:

LOTS 4, 5, AND 6 IN MICHAEL FAHY'S SUBDIVISION OF BLOCK 80 IN THE SANTA FE 1ST ADDITION TO THE CITY OF TOLUCA, MARSHALL COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

P.I.N.: 14-05-386-002

Said property is commonly known as 216 W. Santa Fe Ave., Toluca, IL 61369 and which said mortgage(s) was/were made and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds as Document Number 202200001829 book 1057 page 684, and for other relief; that Summons was duly issued out of the above Court against you as provided by law and that said suit is now pending.

NOW THEREFORE, unless you, the said above named defendants, file your answer to the complaint in the said suit or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the Office of the Clerk of the Court at Marshall County on or before MAY 18, 2026, a default may be taken against you at any time after that date and a Judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of said complaint. E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit <http://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm> to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit [www.illinoiscourts.gov/FAQ/gethelp.asp](http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/FAQ/gethelp.asp).

This communication is an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

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