



# INTERSECT Illinois

WHERE GLOBAL BUSINESS MEETS THE HEARTLAND



## GLOBAL HEADQUARTERS HUB

- 37 Fortune 500 Companies
- 12 Fortune Global 500 Companies
- 1,700+ Foreign-Based Companies

## CONNECTED TO THE WORLD

- 1,400** Daily Departures
- 90M** Annual Passengers

Within a 4-Hour Flight of all North American Destinations

Only "**Triple Hub**" System in North America  
United, Southwest, and American Airlines

Nonstop Service to More than **300** Destinations



O'HARE AIRPORT IS SECOND WITH THE MOST FLIGHTS, OVER 334.5K IN 2017

## THRIVING INNOVATIVE ECOSYSTEMS



**\$2.4 Billion** Annual R&D Funding in Illinois

Chicago is the #1 City for Recent Graduates

Chicago's rate of start up growth is nearly 70%

**MAGNET**  
FOR THE COUNTRY'S BRIGHTEST MINDS

- 83 Nobel Prize Winners
- 200+ Higher Education Institutions Statewide

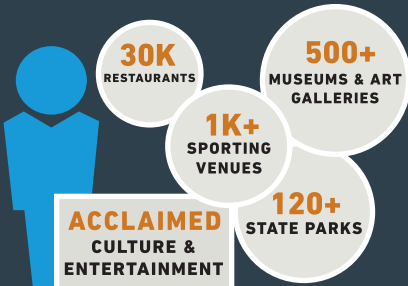
## WORLD CLASS INFRASTRUCTURE

**Rail.** 7 Class 1 Freight Railroads across the state

**Port.** 3<sup>rd</sup> Largest Intermodal Port in the World, 13 Port Districts and Waterways, Access to Gulf of Mexico and Atlantic Ocean

**Road.** 3<sup>rd</sup> Largest Interstate Highway System, 2,158 Miles of Road

## EXCEPTIONAL QUALITY OF LIFE



Illinois  
Department of Commerce  
& Economic Opportunity  
Bruce Rauner, Governor