

# The 10 Fastest Growing Cities In Illinois For 2024

The fastest-growing cities in Illinois are Volo and Pingree Grove for 2024 based on Saturday Night Science.



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Is being in an area of Illinois that’s growing quickly a good thing or a bad thing?  
Depends on who you ask.

Some want bigger, more exciting cities like **Chicago** and **Aurora**, while others want peace and quiet like in South Barrington and Carmi, thank you very much.

But today, we’re going to put opinions aside and look at the cold, hard facts — since 2010, which cities in Illinois have grown the fastest.

After getting knee-deep in the Census’s American Community Survey using **Saturday Night Science**, we emerged with this set of cities in the Prairie State that have people climbing over each other to get in.

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What’s the fastest growing city in Illinois for 2024? Based on the most recent ACS data, Volo ranks as the fastest-growing city in Illinois. If you happen to be a resident of Volo, you’re probably not surprised to find it on our list.



If you’re surprised — and you’re wondering why these places are a big deal — keep reading. We’ll tell you what makes each of these 10 places in Illinois grow like weeds.

For more Illinois state reading:

- [Best Places To Live In The United States](#)
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## The 10 Fastest Growing Cities In Illinois For 2024

**1. Volo** Population: 6,368  
Population 2010: 1,859  
Percent Growth 242.5%

Overall SnackAbility

2. Pingree Grove



Source: Public domain

**Population:** 10,213  
**Population 2010:** 3,780  
**Percent Growth** 170.2%  
**Absolute Growth:** 6,433  
**More on Pingree Grove:** [Data](#) | [Crime](#) | [Cost Of Living](#) | [Real Estate](#)

Overall SnackAbility

9.5  
/10

3. Hampshire

Population: 8,113

Population 2010: 5,101

Percent Growth 59.0%

Absolute Growth: 3,012

More on Hampshire: [Data](#) | [Crime](#) | [Cost Of Living](#) | [Real Estate](#)

Overall SnackAbility

8.5  
/10

4. Manhattan



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Population: 9,590

Population 2010: 6,511

Percent Growth 47.3%

Absolute Growth: 3,079

More on Manhattan: [Data](#) | [Crime](#) | [Cost Of Living](#) | [Real Estate](#)

Overall SnackAbility

5  
/10

5. Yorkville



Source: Wikipedia User IvoShandor | GFDL

**Population:** 21,273  
**Population 2010:** 15,065  
**Percent Growth** 41.2%  
**Absolute Growth:** 6,208  
**More on Yorkville:** [Data](#) | [Crime](#) | [Cost Of Living](#) | [Real Estate](#)

Overall SnackAbility

9  
/10

6. Gilberts







Source: Public domain

**Population:** 8,180  
**Population 2010:** 5,866  
**Percent Growth** 39.4%  
**Absolute Growth:** 2,314  
**More on Gilberts:** [Data](#) | [Crime](#) | [Cost Of Living](#) | [Real Estate](#)

Overall SnackAbility

10  
/10

7. Mahomet





Source: Wikipedia User Dual Freq | GFDL

**Population:** 9,545  
**Population 2010:** 6,888  
**Percent Growth** 38.6%  
**Absolute Growth:** 2,657  
**More on Mahomet:** [Data](#) | [Crime](#) | [Cost Of Living](#) | [Real Estate](#)

8. Savoy

Overall SnackAbility

9.5  
/10



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**Population:** 8,682  
**Population 2010:** 6,388  
**Percent Growth** 35.9%  
**Absolute Growth:** 2,294  
**More on Savoy:** [Data](#) | [Cost Of Living](#) | [Real Estate](#)

9. Minooka

Overall SnackAbility

7.5  
/10



Source: Public domain

**Population:** 12,606  
**Population 2010:** 9,522  
**Percent Growth** 32.4%  
**Absolute Growth:** 3,084

**More on Minooka:** [Data](#) | [Cost Of Living](#) | [Real Estate](#)

10. Huntley

Overall SnackAbility

6  
/10



Source: Wikipedia User Huntley Library | GFDL

**Population:** 27,652  
**Population 2010:** 21,261  
**Percent Growth** 30.1%  
**Absolute Growth:** 6,391

**More on Huntley:** [Data](#) | [Crime](#) | [Cost Of Living](#) | [Real Estate](#)

Overall SnackAbility

10  
/10



## Methodology: How We Measured The Fastest Growing Cities In the Prairie State for 2024

To figure out which cities are growing the most, we used [Saturday Night Science](#) to look at the growth rates for cities since the beginning of the decade, according to the [American Community Survey](#) put out by the census every year. Specifically:

- Current Population
- Population in 2010
- Growth rate from 2010 to Current (The latest available data which came out in Dec 2022)

We ranked all 330 [Illinois cities](#) with a population over 5,000 people from highest growth rate to lowest.

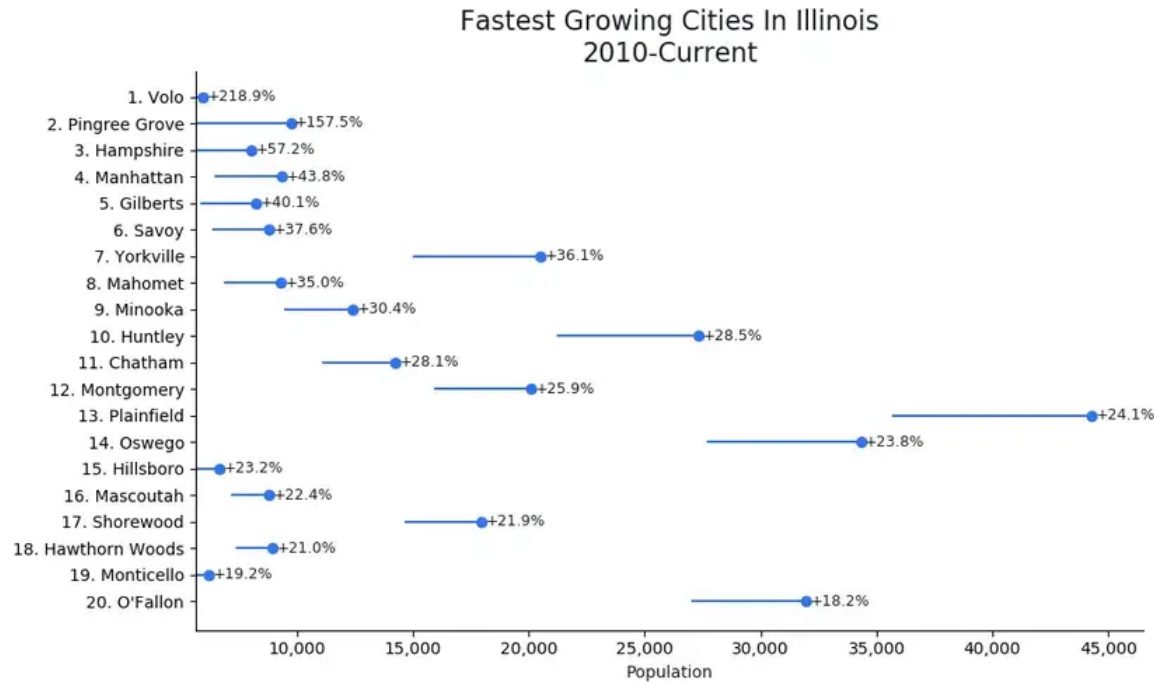
The city with the highest growth rate during this time was crowned the fastest-growing city in the Prairie State.

And for those of you who are a little rusty with their statistics, you can calculate the growth rate by the following formula:

$$[\text{Current Population} - \text{Population 2010}] / [\text{Population 2010}]$$

The data has been updated for 2024. This report is our tenth time ranking the fastest growing cities in Illinois.

Here's a graph of the cities in Illinois with the most significant percent increase in population:



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### Most Dangerous Cities In Illinois

## Summary: These Places Grew Up So Fast In Illinois, You Know?

So there you have it, the fastest growing cities in Illinois are led by Volo which has been growing at a blistering pace this decade relative to other cities and towns around the state.

The fastest-growing cities in Illinois are Volo, Pingree Grove, Hampshire, Manhattan, Yorkville, Gilberts, Mahomet, Savoy, Minooka, and Huntley.

It'll be interesting to see if these places can keep growing at the same rate over the next couple of years. We'll be here to let you know!

These places have been growing (or shrinking) the slowest (fastest):

1. East St. Louis
2. Riverdale
3. Harvey

For more Illinois reading, check out:

- [Best Places To Raise A Family In Illinois](#)
- [Safest Places In Illinois](#)
- [Worst Places To Live In Illinois](#)

## Fastest Growing Places In Illinois For 2024

Rank	City	Population	Population 2010	Growth	Absolute Growth
1	Volo	6,368	1,859	242.5%	4,509
2	Pingree Grove	10,213	3,780	170.2%	6,433
3	Hampshire	8,113	5,101	59.0%	3,012
4	Manhattan	9,590	6,511	47.3%	3,079
5	Yorkville	21,273	15,065	41.2%	6,208
6	Gilberts	8,180	5,866	39.4%	2,314
7	Mahomet	9,545	6,888	38.6%	2,657
8	Savoy	8,682	6,388	35.9%	2,294
9	Minooka	12,606	9,522	32.4%	3,084
10	Huntley	27,652	21,261	30.1%	6,391

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If you've been looking for a place to live in the past several years, you've probably stumbled upon his writing already.

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