Illinois

Energy Efficiency Jobs in America



What are EE jobs?

Jobs that deliver goods and services that lower energy use by improving energy efficiency with a focus on appliances, buildings, data systems, financing, new technologies, and more.

What do EE workers do?

- Manufacture and install high-efficiency systems, controls, windows, insulation, and ENERGY STAR-certified
 appliances and products in existing and new homes, commercial and industrial buildings.
- Design and construct high-performance buildings such as those earning nationally recognized sustainability and environmental performance ratings.
- **Upgrade and repair** heating, air conditioning, and ventilation (HVAC) and water heating equipment.
- Educate property owners and managers on building improvements to unlock savings for businesses, homeowners, schools, states, municipalities, military bases, and more.
- Analyze building data using software to maximize energy savings through targeted performance improvements and behavioral changes.
- Review and approve loans to finance energy savings performance contracts to improve the comfort, health, and operational costs of buildings.

How does EE compare in Illinois?

Energy efficiency is the largest energy sector in Illinois.



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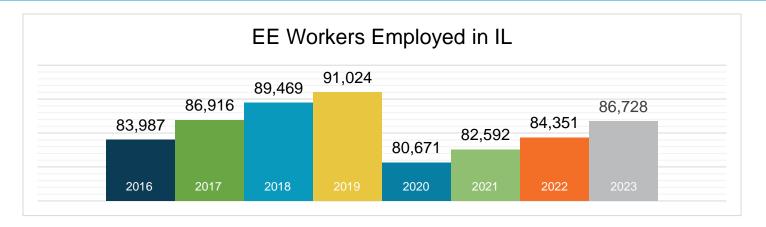
EPG = Electric Power Generation

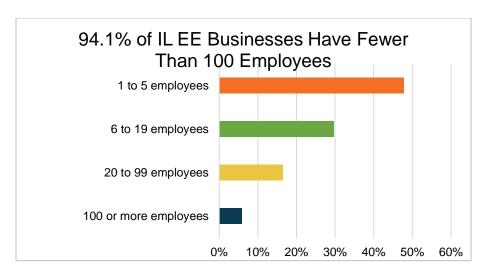
*Includes other energy subsectors such as corn ethanol, woody biomass, large hydropower, and others.





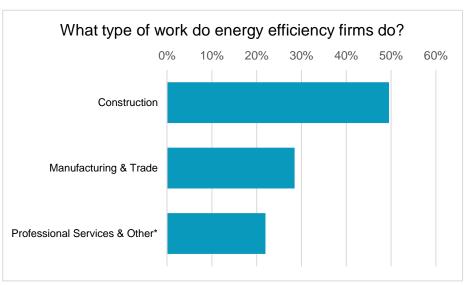
What does EE look like in Illinois?



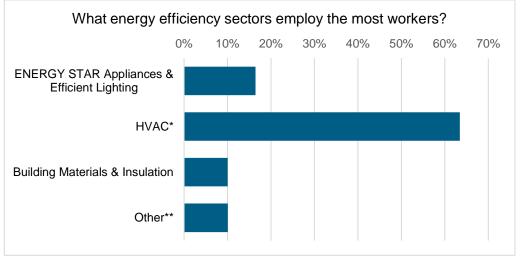








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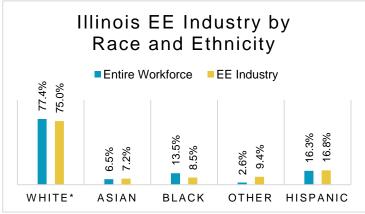




How is EE doing on diversity in Illinois?

Demographic data is critical to measure progress in expanding the diversity of the EE industry. A more inclusive industry that reflects the communities it serves is a stronger one that better meets the needs of all U.S. residents. Promoting diversity in hiring is key to maintaining a future workforce of qualified professionals and ensuring all Illinois communities are represented in the EE sector.

The EE industry needs to do more to prioritize minorities and women for training and support that enables access to employment at Illinois businesses.



*Includes non-Hispanic and Hispanic whites.



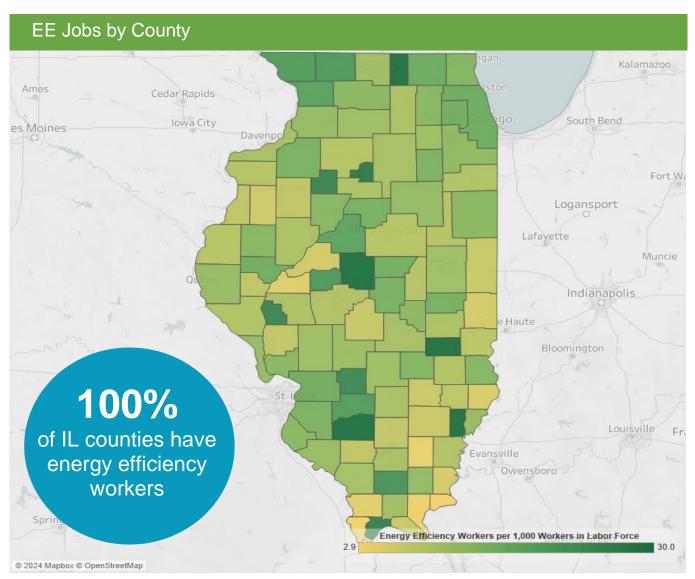
Note: The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) only includes two genders in their survey. Non-binary gender data is missing from this document due to this limitation.



^{*}Heating, ventilation, air conditioning of higher than standard efficiency/renewable heating & cooling

^{**}Other such as energy audits, building certifications, and software services

Energy Efficiency Jobs are Everywhere



The energy efficiency job concentration displayed above is capped at thirty jobs per thousand in order to maintain observable differences between the majority of counties within the state. This is done to eliminate the influence outliers have on overall color gradient. For a full list of energy efficiency jobs by county, please visit the Department of Energy's (DOE) United States Energy and Employment Report (USEER) County-Level data site at https://www.energy.gov/media/330956.

Congressional						Metropolitan Areas						
District	Jobs		District	Jobs		Area	Jobs		Area	Jobs		
1	4,983		10	4,160		Bloomington	836		Rockford	2,167		
2	2,058		11 2,734			Cape Girardeau	<10		Springfield	1,221		
3	4,013		12	4,927		Champaign-Urbana	1,095	St. Louis	St. Louis	3,600		
4	3,977		13	5,139		Chicago-Naperville-Elgin	63,360		Rural	9,799		
5	7,371		14	2,697		Danville	178					
6	10,228		15	3,480		Davenport-Moline-Rock Island	954					
7	12,612		16	4,680		Decatur	670					
8	2,949		17	4,127		Kankakee	386					
9	4,101		18	2,493		Peoria	2,460					

State Senate										
District	Jobs		District	Jobs		District	Jobs		District	Jobs
1	1,335		16	656	ĺ	31	719		46	747
2	2,135		17	502		32	918		47	1,112
3	12,533		18	181		33	367		48	2,243
4	2,431		19	1,474		34	1,994		49	99
5	599		20	<10		35	746		50	772
6	1,339		21	3,247		36	1,467		51	1,750
7	630		22	2,642		37	2,299		52	938
8	2,725		23	3,867		38	1,711		53	540
9	2,622		24	2,084		39	372		54	1,799
10	1,121		25	2,791		40	217		55	1,307
11	277		26	3,651		41	626		56	822
12	246		27	2,502		42	<10		57	630
13	138		28	<10		43	636		58	1,248
14	1,975		29	1,016		44	2,391		59	986
15	1,402		30	343		45	797			

State House of Representatives										
District	Jobs		District	Jobs		District	Jobs		District	Jobs
1	874		32	<10		63	863		94	597
2	454		33	<10		64	50		95	1,073
3	1,190		34	481		65	365		96	1,162
4	934		35	180		66	<10		97	99
5	8,456		36	<10		67	1,217		98	<10
6	4,281		37	1,280		68	767		99	297
7	1,913		38	186		69	304		100	471
8	507		39	<10		70	433		101	709
9	596		40	<10		71	1,144		102	1,033
10	<10		41	1,895		72	317		103	480
11	1,068		42	1,346		73	1,616		104	454
12	270		43	1,771		74	688		105	144
13	428		44	858		75	1,151		106	393
14	201		45	2,536		76	546		107	770
15	2,397		46	1,317		77	<10		108	1,025
16	324		47	2,074		78	363		109	829
17	2,140		48	<10		79	218		110	471
18	469		49	1,514		80	<10		111	386
19	252		50	1,268		81	457		112	433
20	863		51	2,625		82	165		113	456
21	69		52	1,044		83	<10		114	172
22	206		53	1,325		84	<10		115	796
23	245		54	1,172		85	234		116	447
24	<10		55	<10		86	399		117	632
25	137		56	<10		87	1,508		118	350
26	<10		57	<10		88	875			
27	1,451		58	1,012		89	708			
28	514		59	190		90	86			
29	1,221		60	151		91	256			
30	173		61	496		92	491			
31	654		62	220		93	510			







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