## **UNITED STATES CENSUS BUREAU – STATISTICAL AREAS**

The United States Office of Management and Budget (OMB) delineates metropolitan and micropolitan statistical areas according to published standards that are applied to Census Bureau data. The general concept of a metropolitan statistical area is that of an area containing a large population nucleus and adjacent communities that have a high degree of integration with that nucleus. The concept of a micropolitan statistical area closely parallels that of the metropolitan statistical area, but a micropolitan statistical area features a smaller nucleus.

Combined Statistical Area—A geographic entity consisting of two or more adjacent Core Based Statistical Areas with employment interchange measures of at least 15.

Core Based Statistical Area (CBSA)— A statistical geographic entity consisting of the county or counties associated with at least one core (urbanized area or urban cluster) of at least 10,000 population, plus adjacent counties having a high degree of social and economic integration with the core as measured through commuting ties with the counties containing the core. Metropolitan and Micropolitan Statistical Areas are the two categories of Core Based Statistical Areas.

Employment interchange measure—A measure of ties between two adjacent entities. The employment interchange measure is the sum of the percentage of workers living in the smaller entity who work in the larger entity and the percentage of employment in the smaller entity that is accounted for by workers who reside in the larger entity.

Metropolitan Statistical Area—A Core Based Statistical Area associated with at least one urbanized area that has a population of at least 50,000. The Metropolitan Statistical Area comprises the central county or counties containing the core, plus adjacent outlying counties having a high degree of social and economic integration with the central county or counties as measured through commuting.

Micropolitan Statistical Area—A Core Based Statistical Area associated with at least one urban cluster that has a population of at least 10,000, but less than 50,000. The Micropolitan Statistical Area comprises the central county or counties containing the core, plus adjacent outlying counties having a high degree of social and economic integration with the central county or counties as measured through commuting.

**ILLINOIS - Core Based Statistical Areas (CBSAs) and Counties** WISCONSIN Ν **Rockford-Freeport-Rochelle** Kenosha Lak Lake Michigan ROCKFORD Freeport 30 40 Kilometers Chicago-Jo Daviess Kenosha Stephenson Winnebago Boon McHenry **Naperville** MICHIGAN Lake Rochelle Carroll CHICAGO-Elgii Ogle NAPERVILLE **Davenport-**Kane ELGIN **Moline Dixon-**DuPage IOWA **Sterling** Cool Dixon Sterling Lee Scott Kendall Chicago Ottawa-Peru DAVENPORT-MOLINE-Naperville Rock Island Arlington Heights LaSalle ROCK ISLAND Grundy Putnam Mercer KANKAKEE Kankakee Burlingto Marshall Jasper Galesburg Pontiac Peoria-Knox Livingston Canton Warren Woodford Iroquois Fort PEORIA **Bloomington-**Canton Macomb Ford Madison Keokuk **Pontiac** Fulton Clark McDonough Hancock Mason CHAMPAIGN-URBANA DANVILLE Schuyler Lincoln **Quincy-**Vermilion Hannibal Cass Champaign Quincy Brown SPRINGFIELD Springfield-DECATUR Jacksonville Jacksonville Douglas Lincoln Morgan Edgar Pike INDIANA Taylorville Mattoon Calhoun Christian Coles Shelby Greene Clark Cumberland Montgomery Effingham Effingham Crawford Favette ST. LOUIS Bond Lawrence Richland St. Louis-Centralia St. Charles-Marion (city) **Farmington** Wabash MISSOURI Franklin Wayne St. Clair Mount Washington Vernon Jeffersor White Hamilton Randolph CARBONDALE-MARION Gallatin Williamson **LEGEND Peoria-Canton** Combined Statistical Area CAPE GIRARDEAU Hardin Johnson **PEORIA** Metropolitan Statistical Area Cape Girardeau Dixon Micropolitan Statistical Area Bollinger KENTUCKY Elgin Metropolitan Division Paducah IOWA State or Statistical Equivalent Ballard \McCracke Lee County or Statistical Equivalent Cape Lake Michigan Girardeau-Paducah-**Sikeston** Mayfield CBSA boundaries and names are as of February 2013. All other boundaries and names are as of January 1, 2012. TENNESSEE