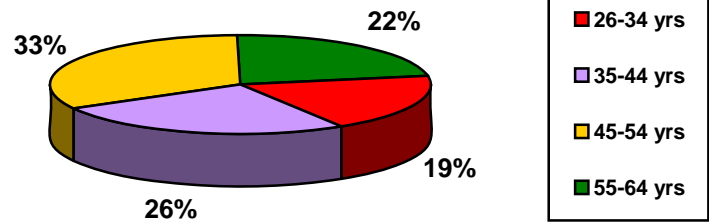


**Illinois
(n = 58)¹**

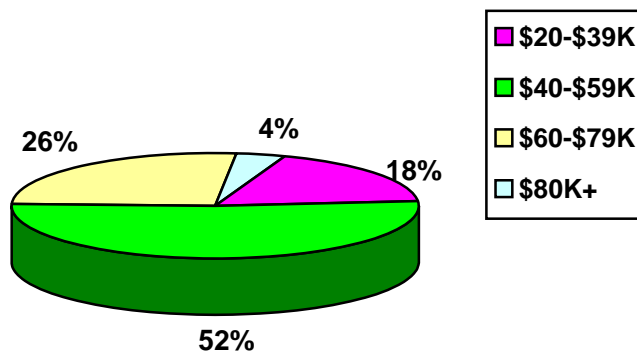
Age

- One-third of Illinois' social work respondents are between 45 and 54 years old.
- The majority (87%) of social work respondents in Illinois are white. Seven percent are black and four percent are Hispanics.



- The majority of social work respondents in Illinois hold a master's degree as their highest social work degree (92%).
- Respondents were asked to identify their primary practice setting for employment. The three most frequently cited categories were schools (22%), private solo practice (16%) and hospitals/medical centers (10%). Ten percent of the respondents also selected the category "other".

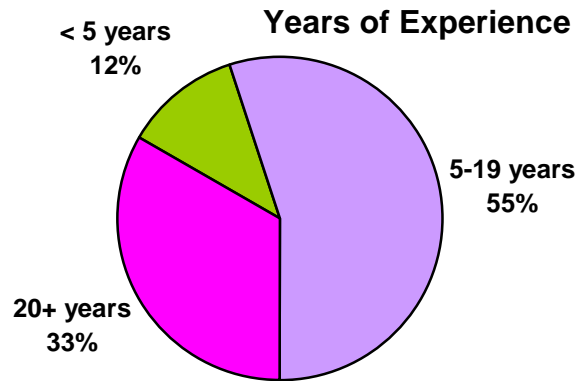
Full-Time Salary



- The majority of Illinois respondents (52%) earn between \$40,000 and \$59,000 annually for full-time social work. Another 30 percent earn \$60,000 or more annually.

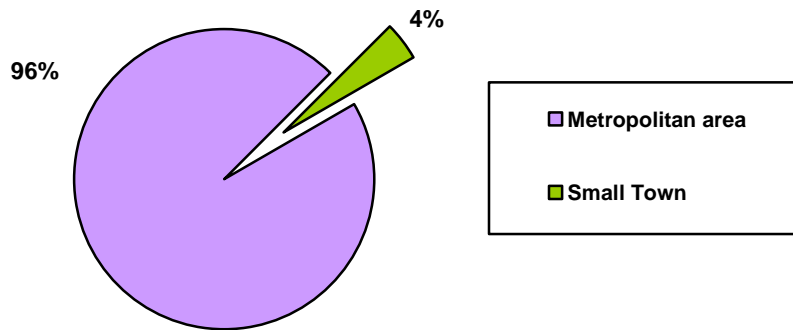
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- The majority of social workers in Illinois (55%) have five to 19 years of experience. Only a small percentage (12%) is new to the field, with less than five years of experience.



- The majority of Illinois respondents are employed in a private, non-profit setting (42%).

Location of Primary Work Setting



- The overwhelming majority of social workers in Illinois are employed in a metropolitan area (96%).
- The majority (42%) identified Mental Health as their primary practice area, followed by School Social Work (23%), Aging (16%), and Health (11%).

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