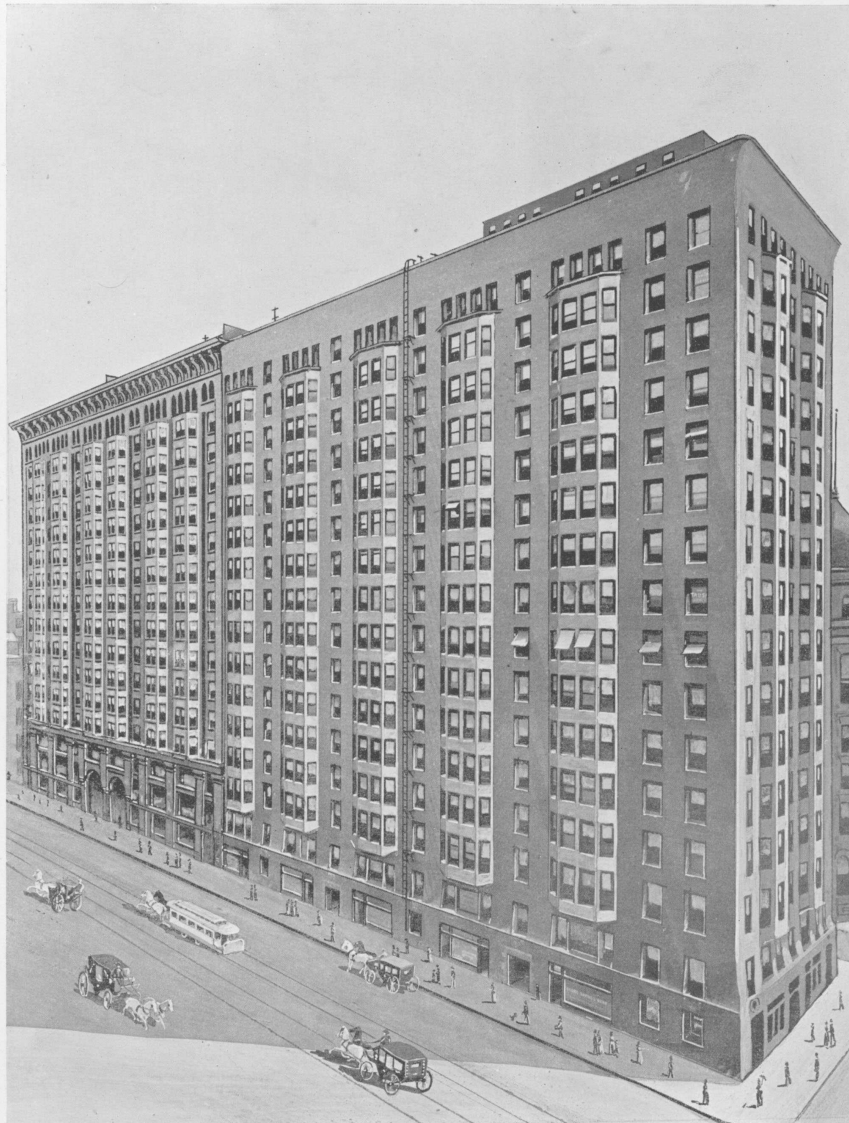


# Chicago/Hamburg: Great Cities Rethinking the Role of Regional Planning



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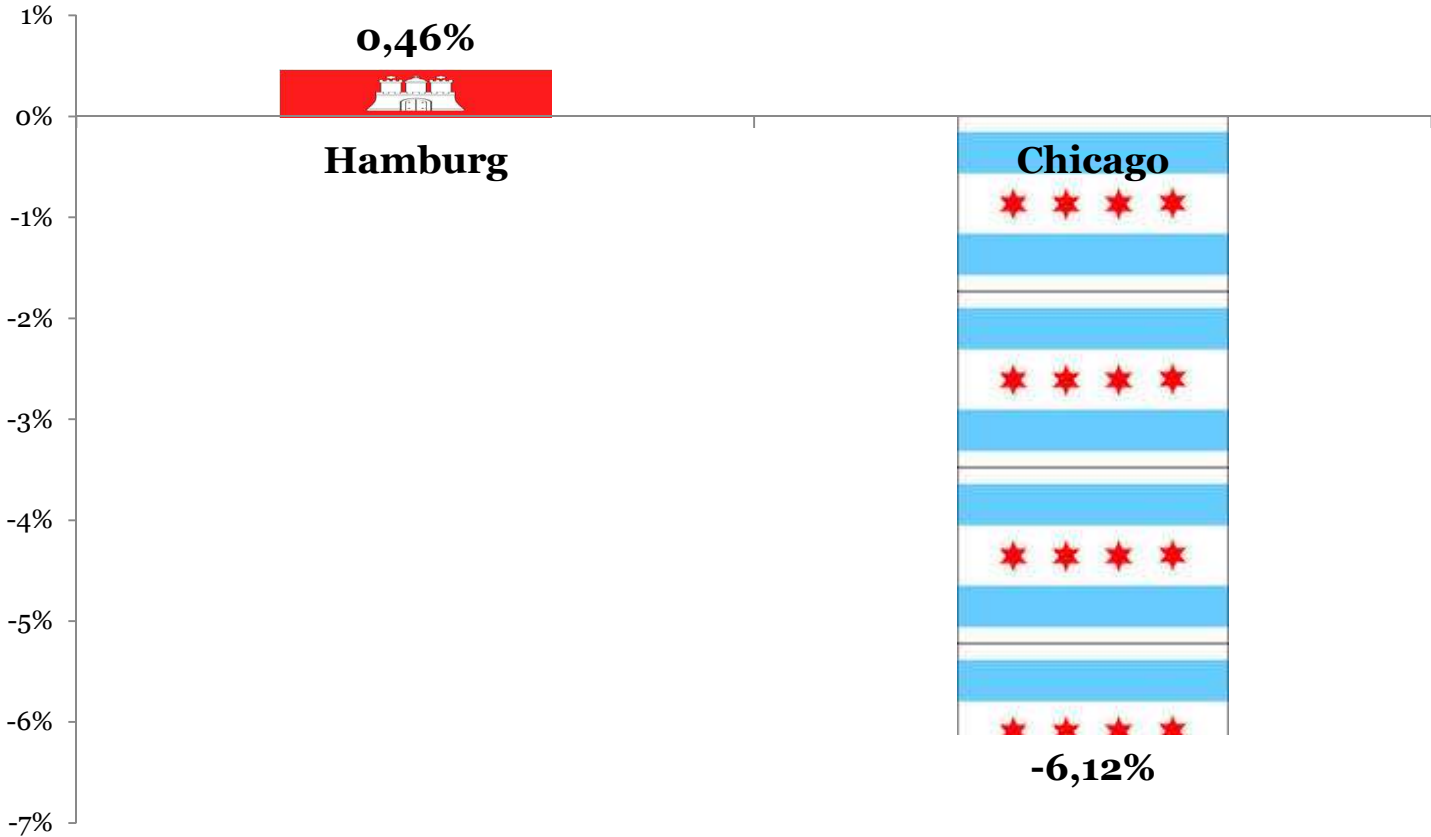
THE MONADNOCK BUILDING, JACKSON, DEARBORN AND VAN BUREN STREETS  
AND CUSTOM HOUSE PLACE







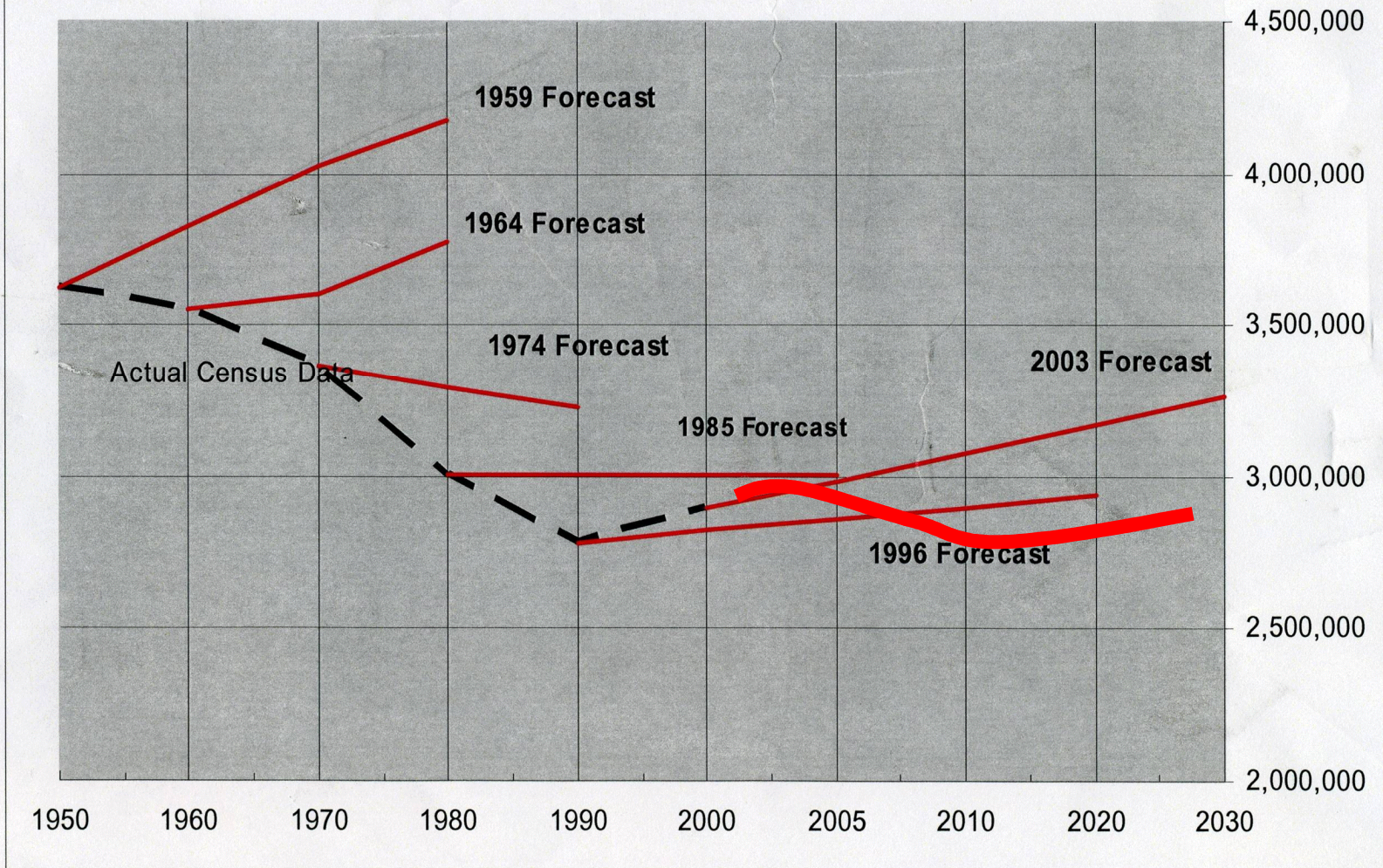
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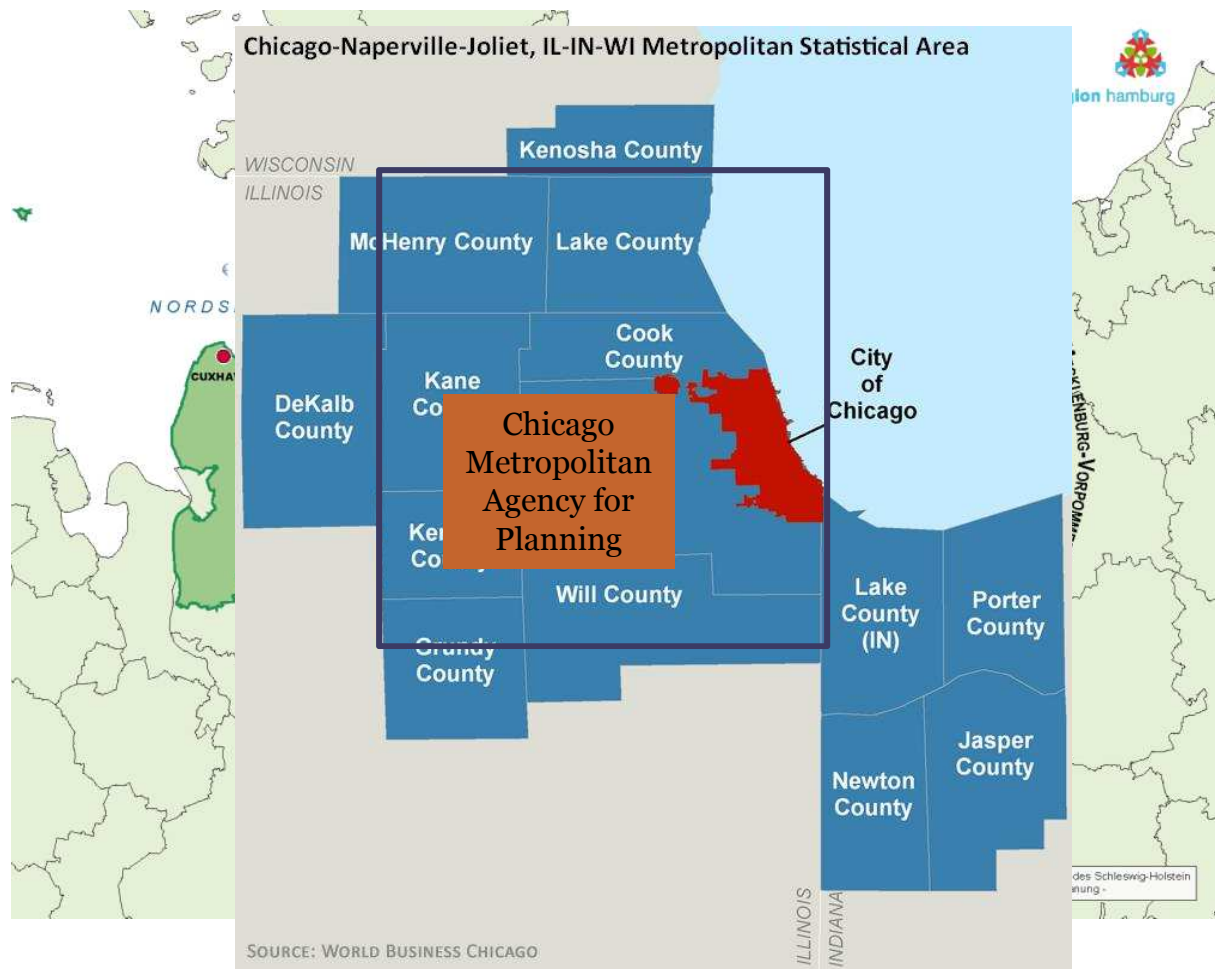
## Actual Chicago Population Trends Compared To Periodic Population Forecasts





# History of Strong Civic Leadership

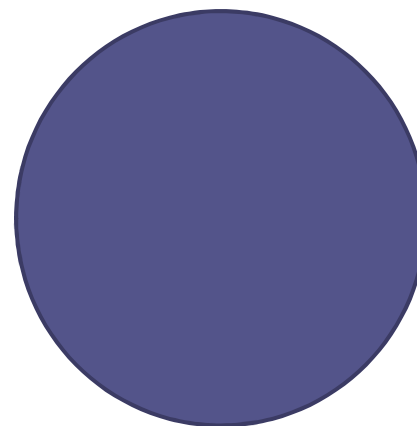
- Commercial Club published 1909 “Plan of Chicago”
- In 1996, same club formed Chicago Metropolitan 2020



# Population



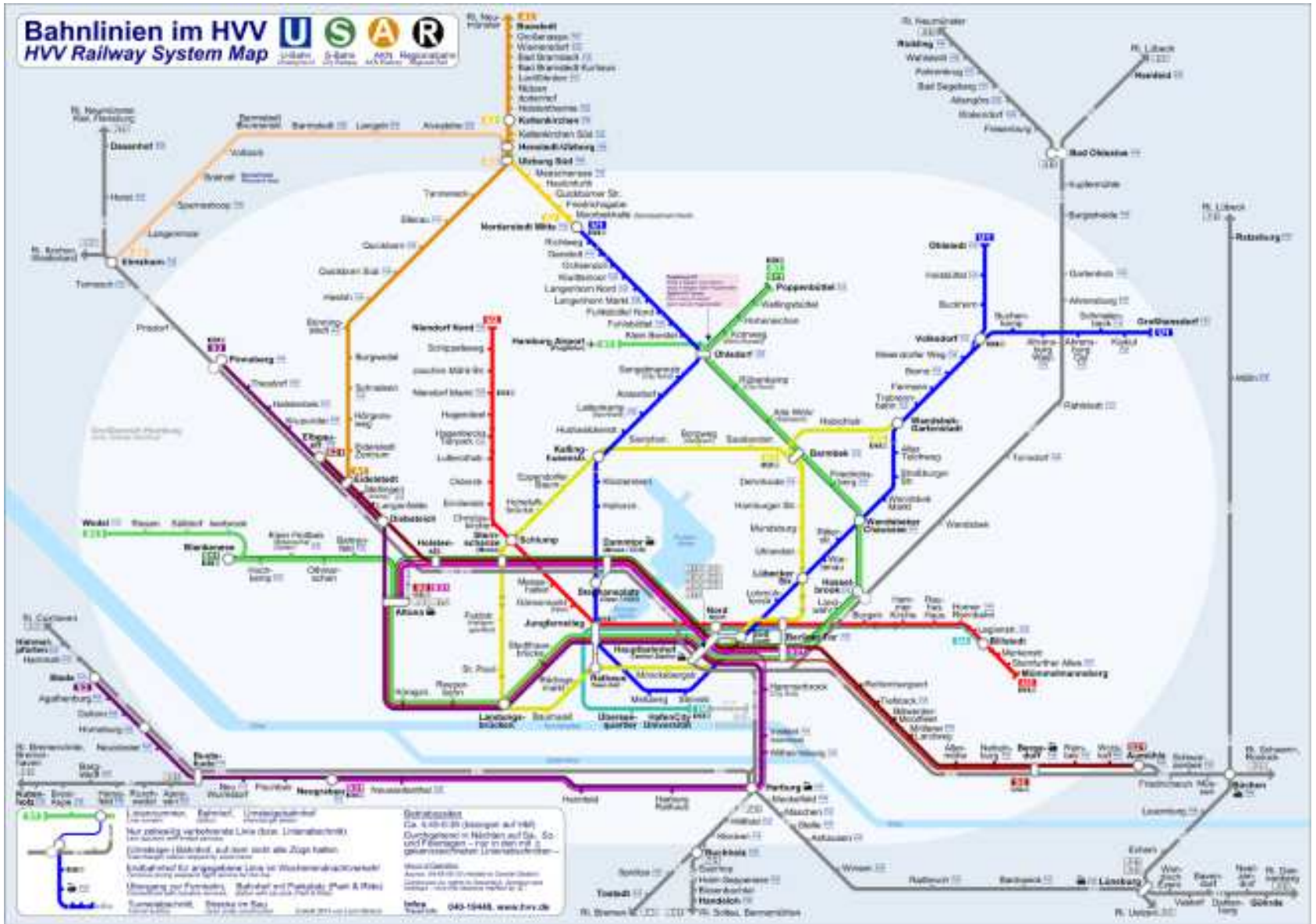
Chicago Metropolitan Region  
9.7 million



Hamburg Metropolitan Region  
5.0 million

# Bahnlinien im HVV

## HVV Railway System Map



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■ Connection to CTA ■ Connection to Amtrak

# Metra System

## UP-N

Metra/Union Pacific North Line  
Chicago (DTC) to Kenosha

## UP-NW

Metra/Union Pacific Northwest Line  
Chicago (DTC) to Harvard

## UP-W

Metra/Union Pacific West Line  
Chicago (DTC) to Elburn

## MD-N

Metra/Milwaukee District North Line  
Chicago (Union Station) to Fox Lake

## MD-W

Metra/Milwaukee District West Line  
Chicago (Union Station) to Big Timber

## NCS (weekdays only)

Metra/North Central Service  
Chicago (Union Station) to Antioch

## BNSF

Metra/Burlington Northern Santa Fe  
Chicago (Union Station) to Aurora

## SWS (weekdays only)

Metra/SouthWest Service  
Chicago (Union Station) to Manhattan

## HC (weekday nash hours only)

Metra/Heritage Corridor  
Chicago (Union Station) to Joliet

## RI

Metra/Rock Island District  
Chicago (LaSalle Street Station) to Joliet

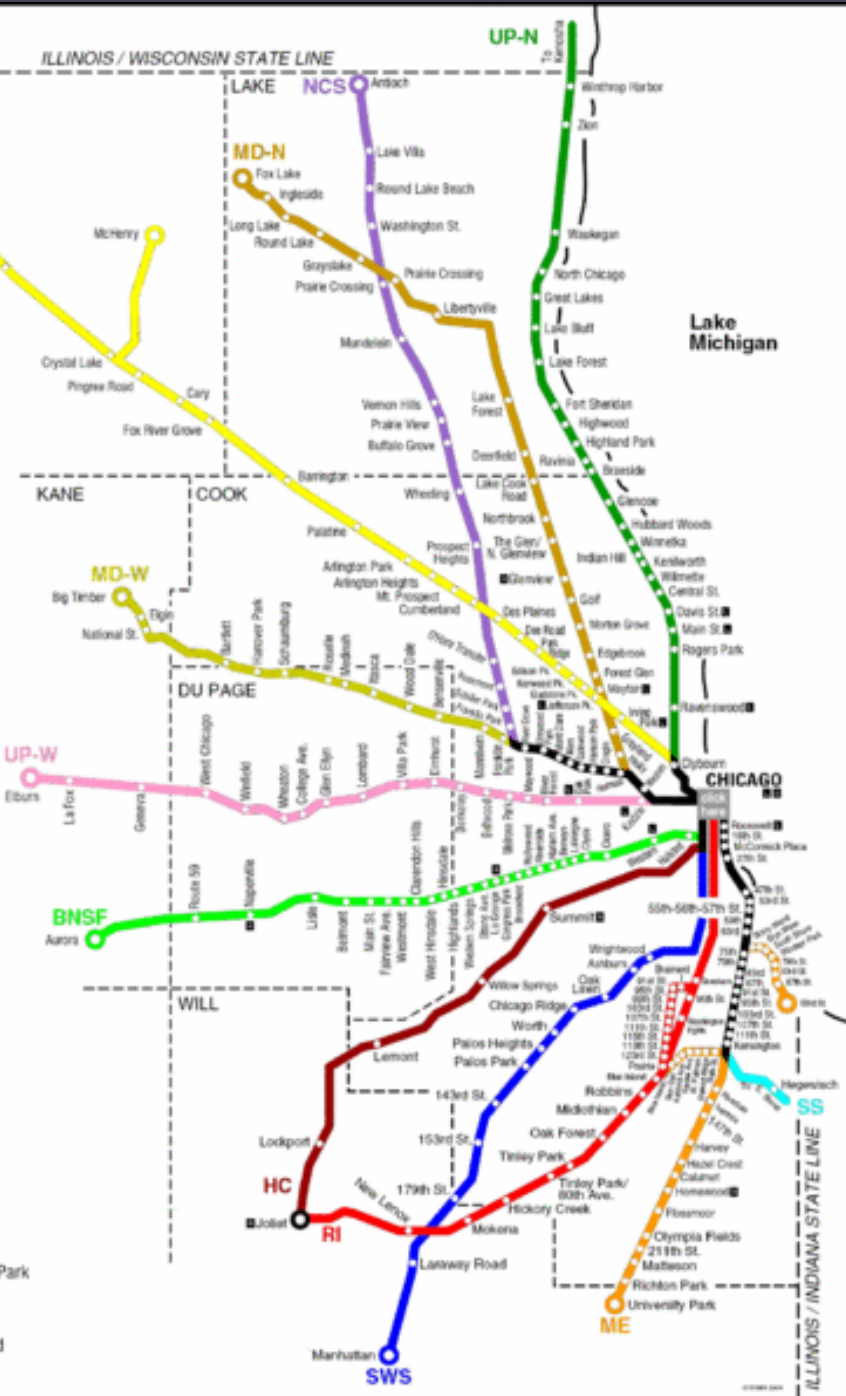
## ME

Metra Electric  
Chicago (Millennium Station) to University Park

## SS

Metra/South Shore Line  
Chicago (Millennium Station) to South Bend

OTC—Ogilvie Transportation Center





# Overall 2025 City Competitiveness rankings

Weighted total of all category scores (0-100 where 100=most favourable)

Rank 2025	Change from 2012	City	Score/100
1	+1	New York	75.7
2	+4	London	73.1
3	-2	Singapore	71.2
4	-1	Hong Kong	68.1
5	-2	Tokyo	68.0
6	+2	Sydney	67.3
7	-2	Paris	67.0
8	-3	Stockholm	65.7
9	+3	Chicago	65.6
10	-	Toronto	64.7
-11	+14	Taipei	64.1
-11	+4	Zurich	64.1
13	-2	Amsterdam	63.8
14	+3	Washington	63.2
-15	+6	Copenhagen	63.0
-15	+7	Seoul	63.0
17	+7	Los Angeles	62.7
18	+1	San Francisco	62.5
19	-3	Boston	62.3
-20	-11	Frankfurt	62.0
-20	+6	Melbourne	62.0
22	+5	Dublin	61.4
23	+6	Dubai	61.3
24	+14	Doha	61.1
25	+1	Brussels	61.0
26	+8	Oslo	60.8
27	+2	Houston	60.7

Rank 2025	Change from 2012	City	Score/100
29	-15	Vienna	60.4
30	-10	Geneva	59.4
31	+8	Kuala Lumpur	58.9
32	+1	Dallas	58.6
33	+0	Atlanta	58.1
34	+2	Berlin	57.7
35	-1	Seattle	57.6
-36	-8	Montréal	57.5
-36	+25	São Paulo	57.5
38	-6	Shanghai	57.3
39	+2	Abu Dhabi	57.2
40	+10	Miami	56.5
41	+16	Tel Aviv	56.1
42	-11	Auckland	56.0
-43	+3	Birmingham	55.8
-43	+17	Incheon	55.8
-43	+6	Warsaw	55.8
-46	-2	Hamburg	55.7
-46	-28	Madrid	55.7
48	-8	Philadelphia	55.0
49	-13	Beijing	54.9
50	-	Osaka	54.5
-51	+12	Busan	54.3
-51	+16	Mumbai	54.3
53	-5	Budapest	54.0
54	-7	Prague	53.9
55	-13	Barcelona	53.6
56	+13	Delhi	53.3



# Strengthening Global Image

- Both cities creating iconic space/buildings
- Both leaders in pursuing green agendas






# HAMBURG

European Green Capital 2011





# Regional Challenges facing Chicago (with lessons for Hamburg)



**The city of Chicago owns and operates  
two international airports, **Midway  
Airport** and **O'Hare Airport****

Difficult regional politics – City vs. Suburbs

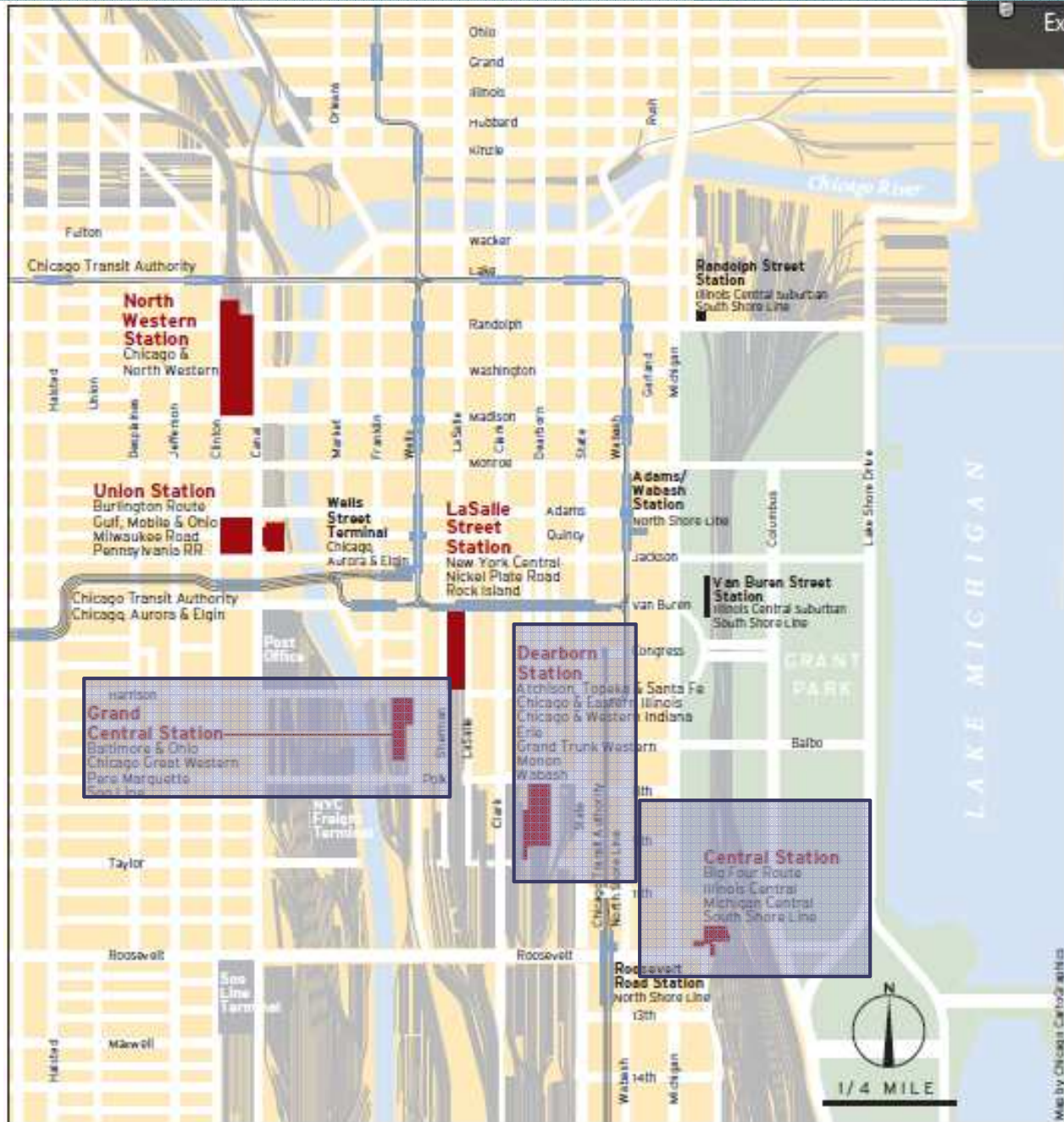






**Downtown Chicago had **six**  
downtown railroad stations  
from 1900 to 1969**

*Poor Connectivity Between Trains*



## Union Station - Used today by all long distance trains



# Proposed West Loop Transportation Center Would Combine Union and Ogilvie Stations





CMAP's **Go to 2040** plan lays  
out a vision for our region