

A night-time photograph of the Chicago skyline, featuring numerous illuminated skyscrapers and buildings reflected in the water in the foreground. The sky is a deep blue, and the city lights create a vibrant contrast.

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## **Illinois' last 20 years**

**3rd-worst**  
job losses

**3rd-biggest**  
population loss

**8th-worst**  
economic growth

**Worst**  
home value growth

## **Illinois today**

**Highest**  
property taxes

**2nd-highest**  
gas taxes

**7th-highest**  
sales taxes

**6th-highest**  
overall tax burden

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**MIGRANT MONEY  
FRUSTRATIONS**

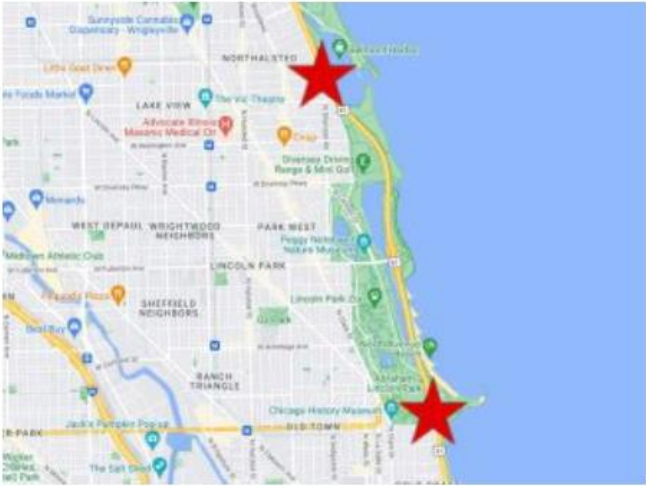
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# #5: Convicted murderer killed 2, wounded 1 while on electronic monitoring for gun possession, prosecutors say

April 18, 2023 1:36 PM CWBCChicago Citywide





**Illinois' leadership should  
own those problems**



# **Democrats**

**General Assembly**

**Majorities: 21 years**

**Supermajorities: 11 years**

# **Democrats**

**Governor:  
17 of last 21 years**

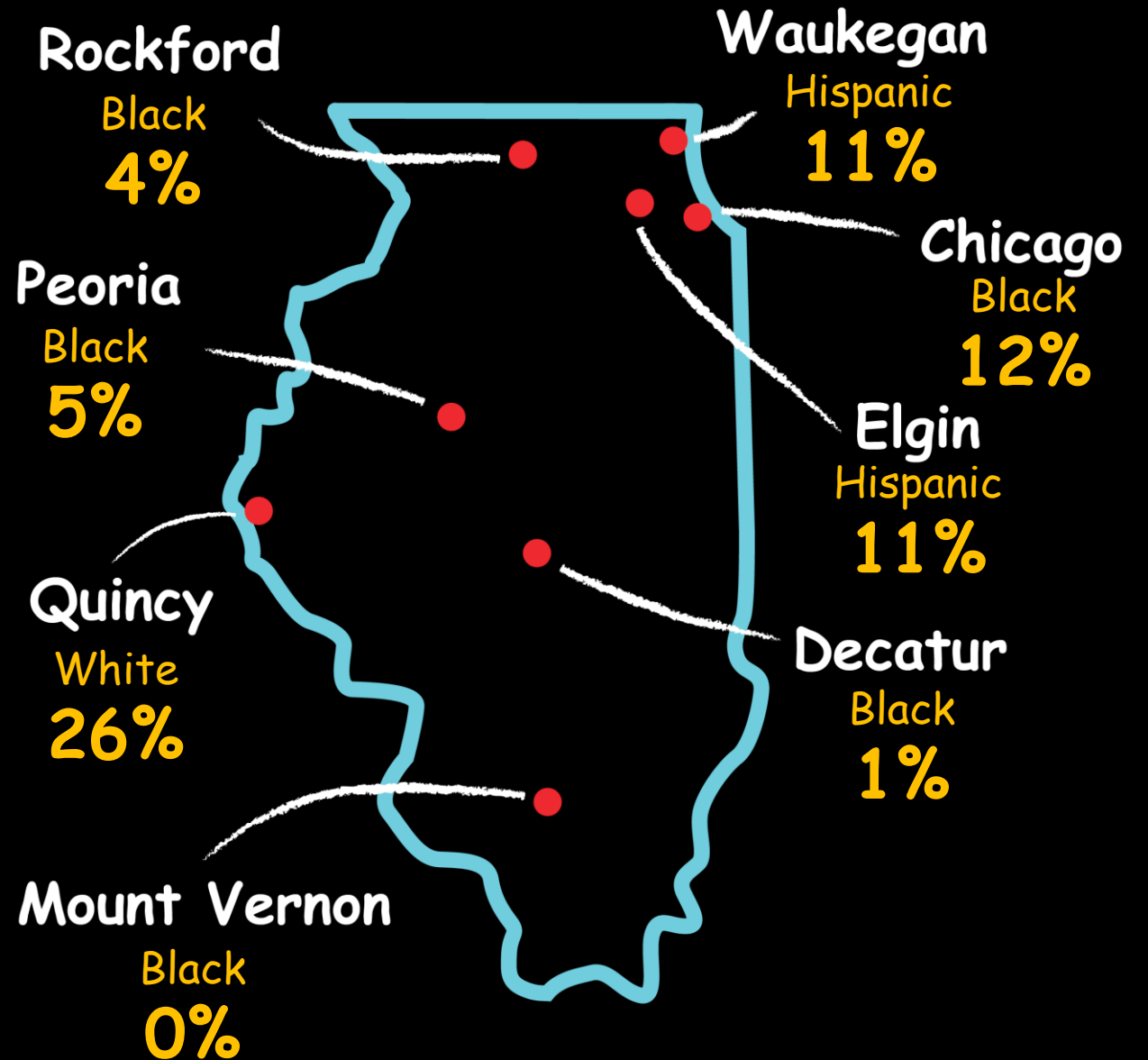
# **Democrats**

**Chicago mayor: the last 93 years**

**City council: control for 100+ years**

**Decatur School  
District Results 2024**

Students scoring proficient in reading on the SAT, 2024



## Decatur students reading at grade level, 2024:

**Blacks: 6%**

**Hispanics: 10%**

**Whites: 14%**

## Decatur students math at grade level, 2024:

**Blacks: 1%**

**Hispanics: 6%**

**Whites: 6%**

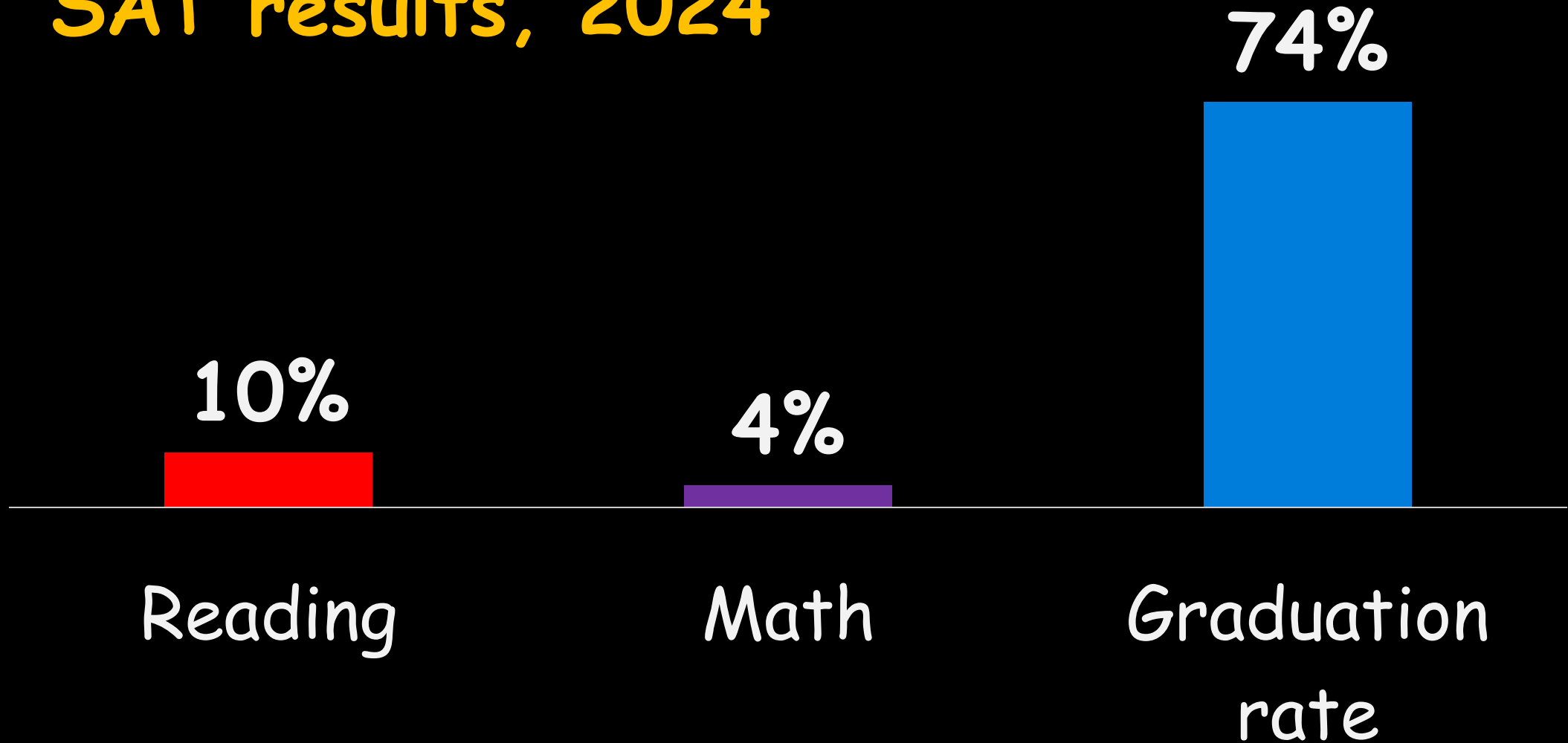
**Black students  
reading at grade  
level, 2024**

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Grade	Reading
Grade 3	2%
Grade 4	6%
Grade 5	6%
Grade 6	6%
Grade 7	6%
Grade 8	13%
Grade 11	4%



# SAT results, 2024



# MacArthur High School

SAT reading: 13%      SAT math: 5%

"Commendable"

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		Base Salary
Clark, R	Superintendent	\$206,601
Marino, J	Assistant Super	\$175,100
Curry, M	CBO	\$173,797
Dase, J	Assistant Super	\$173,600
Ingram, C	Principal	\$156,483

**100%**  
of teachers are rated  
"excellent or proficient"

**Push  
the data**

**241,000**

drop in Illinois  
population  
since 2020.

**NATION'S 3RD-WORST LOSS**

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

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**ILLINOIS GAS TAXES  
NEARLY DOUBLE**

since 2019.

**NATION'S 2ND-BIGGEST HIKE**

Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration

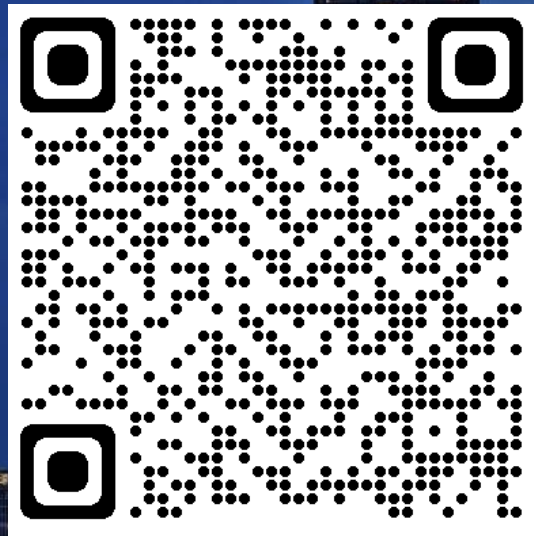
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