**Cities of Illinois**

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 Do you like visiting popular cities? Most states are filled with them. There are many big cities in Illinois. Some of these cities are Chicago, Springfield, and Rockford.

 Firstly, Chicago is the biggest city in Illinois and the third largest in America. Downtown Chicago is known for their skyscrapers and huge department stores. You might want to visit the Brookfield zoo and a street plaza.

 Furthermore, Springfield is the state capital of Illinois and is located at the center of the state. They are known for their corn dogs. The mayor is Pat Quinn.

 To end with, Rockford Has a little over 150,000 inhabitants that means it is a fairly small city. Rockford is famous for their screws nuts and bolts those types of metal products. It was named after a river and the current mayor is Lawrence J. Morrissey.

 Now you know a little bit or a lot more about these cities. Maybe you did not know Chicago is the third largest city in America or that Springfield is famous for their corn dogs or that Rockford was named after a river See you next time.