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EXECUTIVE RISK DASHBOARD

CATEGORY	STATUS	EXECUTIVE IMPACT
Overall Executive Travel Risk	MODERATE-ELEVATED	Morning Loop demonstration, hotel-labor strike contingency, Monday Night Football congestion and localized aviation delays are the principal movement concerns.
Demonstration / Public Order	ELEVATED	An 8:00 a.m. protest is advertised at 160 N. LaSalle ahead of the 9:00 a.m. Illinois State Board of Investment meeting. Event listing is corroborated; turnout and street footprint remain unverified.
Weather	LOW	Dry, mostly sunny conditions with a high near 70 F. Patchy fog is possible again overnight into Tuesday morning.
Ground Transportation	ELEVATED	Loop activity this morning and Bears-Eagles at Soldier Field tonight will create two separate congestion windows; Museum Campus access will tighten before and after kickoff.
Air Travel	MODERATE	ORD is reporting 15-29 minute departure delays and origin holds tied to low visibility; MDW is operating through the morning bank without a broad delay banner in live monitoring.
Protective Intelligence	MODERATE	No verified executive-specific threat identified. Elevated exposure is operational: protest proximity, hotel-service disruption potential, dense event crowds and persistent transit/property crime.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Chicago executive-travel risk is assessed as **MODERATE-ELEVATED**. The highest near-term friction is concentrated in two windows: an advertised 8:00 a.m. demonstration at 160 N. LaSalle tied to the Illinois State Board of Investment meeting, and the 7:15 p.m. Bears-Eagles game at Soldier Field. Official ISBI scheduling confirms a 9:00 a.m. quarterly board meeting; the protest time/location is publicly advertised, but crowd size, route and police footprint were not independently confirmed at cutoff. Hotel labor remains a short-notice contingency after roughly 7,000 workers at 46 properties authorized strikes; no active citywide walkout was verified this morning. Weather is favorable. ORD is experiencing modest departure delays tied to low visibility, while MDW's early-morning bank is moving. No credible executive-specific threat was identified in reviewed reporting.

WEATHER & OPERATIONAL IMPLICATIONS

Current: Clear and near 50 F around publication time.

Monday: Mostly sunny, high near 70 F with light northerly/northeasterly wind; no precipitation expected.

Overnight / Tuesday: Patchy fog may redevelop after 1:00 a.m.; Tuesday otherwise mostly sunny with a high near 76 F.

Protective posture: Weather supports normal ground movement today. Preserve extra visibility margin for pre-dawn airport and suburban transfers Tuesday.

AIR TRAVEL & AIRPORT ACCESS

O'Hare (ORD): Live FlightAware monitoring at cutoff showed departure delays of 15-29 minutes and decreasing due to low visibility; inbound flights were also being held at origin. Treat conditions as dynamic and recheck the airline/FAA immediately before movement.

Midway (MDW): Live monitoring showed active arrivals and departures with no broad airport-delay alert exposed in the page view. Continue flight-specific verification.

Assessment: Air-travel risk is **MODERATE**, driven primarily by ORD morning irregularity rather than regional weather severity.

GROUND TRANSPORTATION & DOWNTOWN ACCESS

CORRIDOR / AREA	CURRENT CONDITION / EXECUTIVE IMPACT
LaSalle Street / Loop	Morning sensitivity. Advertised 8:00 a.m. demonstration at 160 N. LaSalle precedes the 9:00 a.m. ISBI meeting. Avoid unnecessary curb dwell in the 150-200 N. LaSalle block and maintain Clark/Wells alternates until conditions are visually confirmed.
Soldier Field / Museum Campus	Evening event surge. Bears vs. Eagles begins 7:15 p.m.; doors open 5:15 p.m. Stadium parking opens four hours before kickoff. Expect rising congestion from roughly 3:00 p.m. through postgame dispersal.
DuSable Lake Shore Dr. / Roosevelt / Columbus	Expect heavy event traffic approaching Museum Campus. Bears guidance directs rideshare/taxi activity to Balbo-Columbus; buses, taxis and limousines are restricted from entering the Soldier Field campus beginning 90 minutes after kickoff until one hour after the game.
Navy Pier / Streeterville	A Bears pregame tailgate is scheduled at Navy Pier from 4:30-6:30 p.m., with water-taxi service to Museum Campus. Anticipate added Grand/Illinois Street and Navy Pier garage demand during late-afternoon executive movements.
Kennedy / ORD Transfer	No specific major closure was verified in the reviewed official sources at cutoff. ORD morning delay conditions raise schedule risk even if the roadway is flowing; retain time buffer and live traffic monitoring.
Stevenson / MDW Transfer	No major route-specific closure was verified at cutoff. Maintain normal contingency routing and recheck I-55, Cicero Avenue and airport access immediately before departure.

ROUTE CONFIRMATION

Reconfirm routes immediately before every movement. Prioritize live checks for LaSalle/Clark/Wells during the morning and Roosevelt/Columbus/DuSable Lake Shore Drive from mid-afternoon through postgame. Minimize curbside dwell and establish a secondary pickup point before arrival.

DOWNTOWN PROTEST / LABOR ACTIVITY

TIME / STATUS	LOCATION	DETAILS / EXECUTIVE IMPACT
8:00 a.m. - ADVERTISED	160 N. LaSalle St.	OSINT / advertised event: Chicago Activism Hub lists “Illinois Divest From Genocide & ICE!” before the ISBI quarterly meeting. Official ISBI information separately confirms the board meets at 9:00 a.m. Today. Turnout, exact crowd footprint and any spontaneous march route are not independently confirmed .
9:00 a.m. - VERIFIED	Illinois State Board of Investment meeting	Official source: ISBI lists its quarterly committee and board meetings for September 28 at 9:00 a.m. Executive teams using LaSalle Street should anticipate security screening, pedestrian concentration and possible protest spillover near the meeting site.
ONGOING - VERIFIED	Downtown / McCormick Place hotel corridor	Labor: About 7,000 UNITE HERE Local 1 workers at 46 hotels authorized strikes by an 85% vote after contracts expired August 31. No active citywide walkout was independently verified at publication. Because strikes may be called property-by-property, hotel staffing and picket conditions can change with little notice.

Operational note: Verified official information and corroborated news reporting are separated above from advertised activist/event listings. An advertised event establishes intent and planned time/location, not actual crowd size, route or police response. Confirm conditions visually or through official traffic/public-safety channels before principal movement.

TRANSPORTATION SECURITY ALERT

Persistent robbery, vehicle break-in and transit-security exposure continues to warrant controlled staging. Keep principals inside until vehicles are in position; avoid visible electronics or bags in parked vehicles; use staffed garages where practical; and reduce walking exposure around late-night CTA platforms and postgame rideshare queues.

CHICAGO CRIME TRENDS - EXECUTIVE RELEVANCE

TREND	CURRENT INDICATOR	PROTECTIVE INTERPRETATION
CTA violent-crime exposure	Verified recent incidents / alerts	CPD is seeking a suspect after a woman was thrown to the floor on a Red Line train near Clark/Division on Sept. 22, fracturing ribs. Maintain escort discipline and avoid isolated platforms late at night.
Loop CTA robberies	Two September robberies; one armed	CPD warned of robberies on the Brown Line in the 100 block of N. Wabash and 200 block of S. Wells. Treat station approaches, transfer points and late-evening rail movements as higher-exposure environments.
Street robbery / Lincoln Park	Recent armed-robbery pattern	Police previously warned of multiple women robbed at gunpoint in Lincoln Park, including daytime incidents. Use direct vehicle-to-door movement and avoid isolated pedestrian transitions.
Business / property crime	Recent smash-and-grab activity	Recent city reporting documented multiple business burglaries and vehicle/property crime. Secure luggage, credentials and electronics; favor attended parking and do not stage sensitive equipment in view.
Social Media tripwire	PRELIMINARY / UNCONFIRMED	Social Media reported Sept. 27 calls around 111 W. Kinzie for broken vehicle windows and an alleged assault. The feed itself labeled initial 911 reporting unconfirmed, and police radio initially indicated no complainant. Use as a tripwire only unless corroborated.

PROTECTIVE INTELLIGENCE STAFF ASSESSMENT

ASSESSMENT	
Executive travel risk is MODERATE-ELEVATED . No verified executive-specific threat was identified. The dominant risk is movement disruption and exposure created by a concentrated morning protest/meeting footprint in the Loop, a high-attendance Monday Night Football event at Soldier Field, possible short-notice hotel labor action, and persistent transit/property crime. Weather is favorable and should not materially restrict movement. Protective teams should preserve route flexibility, shorten curbside dwell and treat Citizen/social-media reporting as preliminary until corroborated.	
1	Verify 160 N. LaSalle before the morning move. Confirm crowd size, police footprint and any temporary curb/lane restrictions before entering the block.
2	Separate afternoon and evening game traffic from routine downtown routing. From roughly 3:00 p.m. onward, preserve alternatives to Roosevelt/Columbus/Museum Campus and plan postgame pickup away from the stadium perimeter when possible.
3	Reconfirm hotel labor status at the property level. Strike authorization can convert to a walkout with little notice; verify staffing, vehicle access, loading zones and alternate lodging for protected principals.
4	Maintain airport margin. ORD is already showing modest low-visibility delay pressure; track the principal flight, inbound aircraft and roadway simultaneously rather than relying on airport averages.
5	Use preliminary crime feeds as tripwires, not facts. Citizen and social posts can accelerate awareness, but deploy or reroute on corroborated conditions, direct observation, police/fire traffic or authoritative reporting.

24-72 HOUR OUTLOOK

Tuesday, September 29: Mostly sunny and pleasant after possible early fog; favorable for ground movement. Hotel strike status remains the principal short-notice operational watch item. **Wednesday, September 30:** Mostly cloudy with a 20% chance of showers after 1:00 p.m.; weather sensitivity begins to increase for afternoon/evening transfers. **Thursday, October 1:** Showers are forecast and may become the dominant travel-impact variable beyond the 72-hour window. Continue to monitor labor negotiations and any newly advertised demonstrations or crowd events.

SOURCE & RELIABILITY NOTE

This brief uses official/authoritative sources where available (NWS Chicago, Illinois State Board of Investment, Soldier Field/Chicago Bears, FAA/CDA pages) plus established local media. FlightAware is used for live airport-operational context. Chicago Activism Hub is treated as advertised-event OSINT, not proof of actual attendance or route. Citizen.com and social-media/911-derived reports are explicitly preliminary unless independently corroborated. Sources reviewed near publication: NWS Chicago; ISBI; Chicago Activism Hub; Soldier Field/Chicago Bears; Navy Pier; FAA National Airport Status; FlightAware ORD/MDW; ABC7 Chicago; NBC Chicago; labor reporting.