

Columbus



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Coastal AHEC

■ 2009 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	63
Primary Care Physicians	36
<i>Family Practice</i>	18
<i>General Practice</i>	0
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	12
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	4
<i>Pediatrics</i>	2
Other Specialties	27
Physicians per 10,000 Population	11.2
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	6.4
Federal Physicians**	1

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	10
Dental Hygienists	16

Nurses

Registered Nurses	438
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	17
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	143

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	6
Occupational Therapists	7
Occupational Therapy Assistants	5
Optometrists	4
Pharmacists	54
Physical Therapists	14
Physical Therapist Assistants	10
Physician Assistants	18
Podiatrists	2
Practicing Psychologists	1
Psychological Associates	0
Respiratory Therapists	25

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2009

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	36,486	9,465	21,096	5,925
Nonwhite	19,813	6,252	11,461	2,100
Total	56,299	15,717	32,557	8,025
% of Pop.	100.0%	27.9%	57.8%	14.3%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2009	25,581
Employed 2009	22,408
Unemployed 2009	3,173
Unemployment Rate 2009 (%)	12.4
Per Capita Income 2008	\$29,688
Medicaid Eligibles 2009	18,130

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2008

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	734	Total Pregnancies	870	Total Pregnancy Rate	83.7
Resident Deaths	632	Teen Pregnancies	146	Teen Pregnancy Rate	81.4
% Births <2500 gms	13.4	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2008

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	13.6	White	13.3	Nonwhite	14.1
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2008 ⁺	7,907	General Hospital Beds 2009 ⁺⁺	154	Nursing Facility Beds 2009	323
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* Numbers reported include those active within the profession and those newly licensed in 2009 with unknown activity status; inactives are excluded.

** Includes NC Medical Board licensed federal physicians in the armed services, US Public Health Service, Indian Health Service, and the Department of Veterans Affairs.

+ Counts are for discharges of county residents from acute-care, short-stay hospitals; numbers exclude normal newborns.

++ Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.