

# Columbus



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Coastal

## ■ 2005 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS\*■

### Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	56
Primary Care Physicians	31
<i>Family Practice</i>	11
<i>General Practice</i>	1
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	14
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	2
<i>Pediatrics</i>	3
Other Specialties	25
Physicians per 10,000 Population	10.2
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	5.7
Federal Physicians**	0

### Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	11
Dental Hygienists	15

### Nurses

Registered Nurses	444
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	15
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	145

### Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	5
Optometrists	3
Pharmacists	48
Physical Therapists	12
Physical Therapist Assistants	12
Physician Assistants	19
Podiatrists	1
Practicing Psychologists	1
Psychological Associates	0
Respiratory Therapists	28

## ■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

### Projected Population 2005

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
<b>White</b>	35,466	8,524	21,383	5,559
<b>Nonwhite</b>	19,177	6,010	11,035	2,132
<b>Total</b>	<b>54,643</b>	<b>14,534</b>	<b>32,418</b>	<b>7,691</b>
<b>% of Pop.</b>	100.0%	26.6%	59.3%	14.1%

### Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2005	23,672
Employed 2005	22,102
Unemployed 2005	1,570
Unemployment Rate 2005 (%)	6.6
Per Capita Income 2004	\$23,796
Medicaid Eligibles 2004 (unduplicated count)	17,495

## ■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

### Vital Statistics 2004

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	741	Total Pregnancies	920	Total Pregnancy Rate	85.7
Resident Deaths	631	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	151	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	87.0
% Births <2500 gms	10.5				

### Infant Mortality Rates 2004

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	12.1	White	11.3	Nonwhite	13.4
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### Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2004 <sup>†</sup>	8,283	General Hospital Beds 2005 <sup>††</sup>	154	Nursing Facility Beds 2005	323
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\* Numbers reported include those who are active within the profession and those with unknown activity status who were newly licensed in 2005; inactive 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.

<sup>†</sup> Counts are for discharges of county residents from acute-care, short-stay hospitals; numbers exclude normal newborns.

<sup>††</sup> Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.