

# Columbus



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Coastal AHEC

## ■ 2006 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS\*■

### Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	57
Primary Care Physicians	29
<i>Family Practice</i>	10
<i>General Practice</i>	1
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	13
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	2
<i>Pediatrics</i>	3
Other Specialties	28
Physicians per 10,000 Population	10.4
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	5.3
Federal Physicians**	0

### Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	11
Dental Hygienists	16

### Nurses

Registered Nurses	447
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	13
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	131

### Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	5
Occupational Therapists	6
Occupational Therapy Assistants	6
Optometrists	3
Pharmacists	52
Physical Therapists	13
Physical Therapist Assistants	11
Physician Assistants	20
Podiatrists	1
Practicing Psychologists	1
Psychological Associates	0
Respiratory Therapists	26

## ■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

### Projected Population 2006

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
<b>White</b>	35,463	8,760	21,122	5,581
<b>Nonwhite</b>	19,203	6,092	10,957	2,154
<b>Total</b>	<b>54,666</b>	<b>14,852</b>	<b>32,079</b>	<b>7,735</b>
<b>% of Pop.</b>	100.0%	27.2%	58.7%	14.1%

### Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2006	23,842
Employed 2006	22,489
Unemployed 2006	1,353
Unemployment Rate 2006 (%)	5.7
Per Capita Income 2005	\$25,319
Medicaid Eligibles 2006	17,906

## ■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

### Vital Statistics 2005

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	744	Total Pregnancies	860	Total Pregnancy Rate	81.3
Resident Deaths	611	Teen Pregnancies	145	Teen Pregnancy Rate	85.4
% Births <2500 gms	11.4	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

### Infant Mortality Rates 2006

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	8.1	White	6.3	Nonwhite	11.4
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### Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2005 <sup>+</sup>	7,770	General Hospital Beds 2006 <sup>++</sup>	154	Nursing Facility Beds 2006	323
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\* Numbers reported include those active within the profession and those newly licensed in 2006 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.