

Columbus



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Coastal AHEC

■ 2011 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians[§]

Non-Federal Physicians	68
Primary Care Physicians	34
<i>Family Practice</i>	15
<i>General Practice</i>	1
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	12
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	3
<i>Pediatrics</i>	3
Other Specialties	34
Physicians per 10,000 Population**	11.8
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population**	5.9
Federal Physicians***	1

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	9
Dental Hygienists	12

Nurses

Registered Nurses	429
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	18
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	148

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	5
Occupational Therapists	7
Occupational Therapy Assistants	8
Optometrists	3
Pharmacists	64
Physical Therapists	14
Physical Therapist Assistants	9
Physician Assistants	22
Podiatrists	2
Practicing Psychologists	0
Psychological Associates	1
Respiratory Therapists	26

■ 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 2011	24,168
Employed 2011	20,815
Unemployed 2011	3,353
Unemployment Rate 2011 (%)	13.9
Per Capita Income 2010	\$28,300
Medicaid Eligibles 2011	18,940

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2010

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	672	Total Pregnancies	801	Total Pregnancy Rate	78
Resident Deaths	696	Teen Pregnancies	111	Teen Pregnancy Rate	57.8
% Births <2500 gms (2009)	12.4	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2010

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	18.0	White	11.2	Nonwhite	25.4
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2010. ⁺	7,975	General Hospital Beds 2011. ⁺⁺	154	Nursing Facility Beds 2011.	323
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§ Please refer to page 4 of this book for an explanation of the change in physician numbers.

* Numbers reported include those active within the profession and those newly licensed in 2011 with unknown activity status; inactives are excluded

** Rates are based on 2011 population data.

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

+++ Population data by race/ethnicity and age for 2010 and 2011 were not yet available at the time of publication.