

# Columbus



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Coastal AHEC

## ■ 2001 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS\* ■

### Physicians

|   |      |
|---|------|
| Non-Federal Physicians                        | 55   |
| Primary Care Physicians                       | 27   |
| <i>Family Practice</i>                        | 7    |
| <i>General Practice</i>                       | 0    |
| <i>Internal Medicine</i>                      | 16   |
| <i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>                  | 2    |
| <i>Pediatrics</i>                             | 2    |
| Other Specialties                             | 28   |
| Physicians per 10,000 Population              | 10.0 |
| Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population | 4.9  |
| Federal Physicians**                          | 0    |

### Dentists and Dental Hygienists

|                   |   |
|-------------------|---|
| Dentists          | 9 |
| Dental Hygienists | 8 |

### Nurses

|                                 |     |
|---------------------------------|-----|
| Registered Nurses               | 456 |
| <i>Nurse Practitioners</i>      | 13  |
| <i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i> | 0   |
| Licensed Practical Nurses       | 127 |

### Other Health Professionals

|                               |    |
|-------------------------------|----|
| Chiropractors                 | 6  |
| Optometrists                  | 3  |
| Pharmacists                   | 57 |
| Physical Therapists           | 14 |
| Physical Therapist Assistants | 10 |
| Physician Assistants          | 17 |
| Podiatrists                   | 1  |
| Practicing Psychologists      | 1  |
| Psychological Associates      | 1  |

## ■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

### Population Estimates 2001

|                  | Total         | Ages 0-18     | Ages 19-64    | Ages 65+     |
|------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|
| <b>White</b>     | 35,661        | 8,388         | 21,828        | 5,445        |
| <b>Nonwhite</b>  | 19,179        | 6,238         | 10,806        | 2,135        |
| <b>Total</b>     | <b>54,840</b> | <b>14,626</b> | <b>32,634</b> | <b>7,580</b> |
| <b>% of Pop.</b> | 100.0%        | 26.7%         | 59.5%         | 13.8%        |

### Employment and Income Data

|  |          |
|--|----------|
| Labor Force 2001                                       | 22,319   |
| Employed 2001  | 20,190   |
| Unemployed 2001  | 2,129    |
| Unemployment Rate 2001 (%)                             | 9.5      |
| Per Capita Income 2000                                 | \$21,640 |
| Medicaid Eligibles 2001<br><i>(unduplicated count)</i> | 16,876   |

## ■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

### Vital Statistics 2000

*(Rates are per 1,000 population)*

|                    |      |   |     |  |      |
|--------------------|------|---|-----|--|------|
| Resident Births    | 809  | Total Pregnancies                       | 959 | Total Pregnancy Rate                       | 85.8 |
| Resident Deaths    | 636  | Teen Pregnancies<br><i>(ages 15-19)</i> | 162 | Teen Pregnancy Rate<br><i>(ages 15-19)</i> | 81.9 |
| % Births <2500 gms | 10.5 |   |     |  |      |

### Infant Mortality Rates 2000

*(Rates are per 1,000 population)*

|       |     |       |     |          |     |
|-------|-----|-------|-----|----------|-----|
| Total | 8.7 | White | 8.0 | Nonwhite | 9.6 |
|-------|-----|-------|-----|----------|-----|

### Hospital/Facility Data

|   |       |  |     |                            |     |
|---|-------|--|-----|----------------------------|-----|
| General Hospital Discharges 2000 <sup>†</sup> | 9,492 | General Hospital Beds 2001 <sup>††</sup> | 166 | Nursing Facility Beds 2001 | 293 |
|---|-------|--|-----|----------------------------|-----|

\*Numbers reported include those who are active within the profession and those with unknown activity status who were newly licensed in 2001; 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.