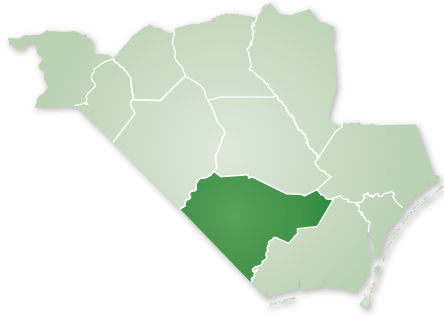


Columbus County



DEMOGRAPHICS

Population & Growth	Population	Annual Growth Rate
2015 Total Population	54,777	(0.0%)
2010 Census Total Population	58,098	0.0%
2000 Total Population	54,749	

Estimated Population By Age	Pop. by Age, % Est.	
2015 Median Age	41	
2010 Median Age	40	
2000 Median Age	37	
2010 Total Pop 0-19	14,403	26.2%
2010 Total Pop 20-29	6,297	11.5%
2010 Total Pop 30-39	6,747	12.3%
2010 Total Pop 40-49	7,642	13.9%
2010 Total Pop 50-59	7,944	14.5%
2010 Total Pop 60+	11,866	21.6%

INCOME

		Growth Est. or Total %
2015 Median Family Income	\$47,512	13.2%
2010 Median Family Income	\$41,957	23.4%
2000 Median Family Income	\$33,990	
2015 Per Capita Income	\$19,146	10.9%
2010 Per Capita Income	\$17,259	19.7%
2000 Per Capita Income	\$14,415	
2000 Total Pop with Income Below Poverty Level	12,200	
2000 Percent of Pop with Income Below Poverty Level		22.7%

EDUCATION

		Pop. by Age 25+, %
2010-11 Kindergarten-12th Enrollment	9,120	
2010 Average SAT score (2400 scale)	1,320	
2010 Percent of Graduates taking SAT	38.5%	
2009-10 Higher Education Completions	357	
2009-10 Higher Education Total Enrollment	3,655	
2010 Proj Education Attainment - At Least High School Graduate	28,781	76.7%
2010 Proj Education Attainment - At Least Bachelor's Degree	4,758	12.7%

EMPLOYMENT/UNEMPLOYMENT

	Year to Date	2010 Annual
2011Q2 Employment	21,384	21,160
2011Q2 Unemployment	3,186	3,075
2011Q2 Unemployment Rate	13.0%	12.7%
2011Q3 Announced Job Creation	96	5
2011Q3 Total Announced Investments (\$mil)	\$25.4	\$0.3
Sept2011 Lost Jobs, Closings & Layoffs		139

Sources:

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Notes:

Data are the latest available at the date the profile was prepared. SAT scores use the new scoring system including a writing test for a perfect score of 2400 and represent county systems. ESRI 2010/2015 data are projections. Some data may be available only for North Carolina. For further details or questions, please check the Data Sources Guide at http://edis.commerce.state.nc.us/docs/bibliography/Data_Sources_Guide.pdf.