

County Profile

Columbus County (NC)

January 2018

Demographics

Population & Growth

2015 Est Population
2010 Census Total Population
July 2015 Certified Population Estimate (NC only)

Population

57,230
58,098
57,206

% Annual Growth

(0.5%)
0.1%

Urban/Rural Representation

2010 Census Total Population: Urban
2010 Census Total Population: Rural

11,274
46,824

Urban/Rural Percent

19.4%
80.6%

Estimated Population by Age

2015 Est Median Age
2015 Est Total Pop 0-19
2015 Est Total Pop 20-24
2015 Est Total Pop 25-34
2015 Est Total Pop 35-44
2015 Est Total Pop 45-54
2015 Est Total Pop 55-64
2015 Est Total Pop 65+

42
14,234
3,668
6,481
7,198
8,047
7,771
9,831

% Pop by Age

24.8%
6.4%
11.3%
12.6%
14.1%
13.6%
17.2%

Commuters, Workers Age 16 and Over, 2015 Est

Percent of Workers, By Travel Time

Avg Travel Time, Minutes 24.1
Workers Not Working at Home 20,445
Travel Time to Work: < 10 minutes 12.6%
Travel Time to Work: 10-14 minutes 17.0%
Travel Time to Work: 15-19 minutes 13.8%
Travel Time to Work: 20-24 minutes 18.0%
Travel Time to Work: 25-29 minutes 4.5%
Travel Time to Work: 30-34 minutes 17.0%
Travel Time to Work: 35-44 minutes 4.6%
Travel Time to Work: 45-59 minutes 6.3%
Travel Time to Work: 60+ minutes 6.1%

Workers, By Transportation

Worker Transp, Base 20,445
Work at Home 1.9%
Drove Car/Truck/Van Alone 87.9%
Carpooled Car/Truck/Van 8.7%
Public Transportation 0.2%
Walked 0.8%
Other Transportation 0.5%

Place of Work

Worked in State/County of Residence
Worked in State/Outside County of Residence
Worked Outside State of Residence

Commuters

14,323
4,469
1,653

Residents

70.1%
21.9%
8.1%

Education

2016-17 Kindergarten-12th Enrollment
2017 Average SAT score (1600 new scale)
2017 Percent of Graduates taking SAT
2014-15 Higher Education Completions
2014-15 Higher Education Total Enrollment
2015 Est Education Attainment - At Least High School Graduate
2015 Est Education Attainment - At Least Bachelor's Degree

8,826
989
40.2%
266
4,060
31,307
4,748

Pop Age 25+

79.6%
12.1%

Housing

		% Ann Growth or % Total
2015 Est Total Housing Units	25,912	(0.1%)
2010 Census Total Housing	22,489	
2010 Census Total Households	26,042	
2010 Census Occupied Housing	18,936	84.2%
2010 Census Vacant Housing	3,553	15.8%
2015 Est Median Value of Owner Occupied Housing	\$83,900	
2015 Est Median Gross Rent	\$596	
2015 Est Owner Occupied Housing	15,422	70.1%
2015 Est Renter Occupied Housing	6,584	29.9%
2015 Est Owner Occupied Housing Vacancy	1.8%	
2015 Est Renter Occupied Housing Vacancy	10.5%	

Income

		% Ann Growth or % Pov
2015 Est Median Family Income	\$44,783	3.2%
2015 Median Household Income (SAIPE)	\$34,478	0.5%
2015 Est Median Worker Earnings	\$25,551	
2016 Per Capita Income (BEA)	\$31,192	
2015 Est Total Pop with Income Below Poverty Level, Last 12 months	12,768	23.5%

Employment / Unemployment

	Currently	2016 Annual
Nov 2017 Prelim., 2016 Employment	20,687	21,320
Nov 2017 Prelim., 2016 Unemployment	1,238	1,458
Nov 2017 Prelim., 2016 Unemployment Rate	5.6%	6.4%
2017Q3 YTD, 2016 Announced Job Creation	.	19
2017Q3 YTD, 2016 Total Announced Investments (\$mil)	.	\$0.3

Employment / Wages by Industry

	2017Q2 Employment	2016 Annual Employment	2017Q2 Avg Weekly Wage	2016 Avg Weekly Wage
Total All Industries	15,283	15,518	\$643	\$653
Total Government	3,550	3,561	\$703	\$691
Total Private Industry	11,733	11,957	\$625	\$641
Agriculture Forestry Fishing & Hunting	446	393	\$465	\$502
Mining	0	0	\$0	\$0
Utilities	0	0	.	.
Construction	459	431	\$671	\$657
Manufacturing	1,908	1,959	\$1,055	\$1,145
Wholesale Trade	355	381	\$695	\$665
Retail Trade	2,044	2,064	\$433	\$459
Transportation and Warehousing	95	91	\$959	\$911
Information	77	84	\$725	\$812
Finance and Insurance	500	475	\$745	\$797
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	189	181	\$669	\$735
Professional and Technical Services	174	237	\$1,000	\$760
Mgt of Companies, Enterprises	242	274	\$639	\$647
Administrative and Waste Services	909	1,024	\$448	\$465
Educational Services	1,383	1,357	\$678	\$673
Health Care and Social Assistance	2,637	2,732	\$620	\$590
Arts, Entertainment and Recreation	22	17	\$481	\$243
Accommodation and Food Services	1,177	1,096	\$265	\$251
Other Services Ex. Public Admin	265	263	\$461	\$493
Public Administration	1,694	1,756	\$713	\$687
Unclassified	0	0	\$0	\$0

Commercial/Retail/Industrial

Local Business

2017Q3 Available Industrial Buildings	3
2017Q2 Establishments: Total Private Industry	1,001
2017Q2 Establishments: Manufacturing	34
2015 Est Self Employed	1,285

Local Retail Business

2017 Total Retail Sales (With Food/Drink) (\$mil)	\$569.9
2017 Total Retail Businesses (With Food/Drink)	410
2017 Avg Sales/Business Total (with Food/Drink)	\$1,390,090
2017Q3 Available Commercial Buildings (if reported)	.

Quality of Life

Taxes

FY2017-18 Property Tax Rate per \$100 Value	\$0.8050
FY2016-17 Annual Taxable Retail Sales (\$mil)	\$390.4
2017 Tier designation	1

Childcare

2017Q4 Licensed Child Care Facilities	39
2017Q4 Licensed Child Care Enrollment	1,389

Weather

Annual Rainfall, inches	50
Annual Snowfall, inches	2
Average Annual Temperature, F	62
Average Annual High Temperature, F	74
Average Annual Low Temperature, F	50

Healthcare Providers

2016 Number of Physicians	70
2016 Physicians per 10,000 population	12.2
2016 RNs per 10,000 population	73.8
2016 Dentists per 10,000 population	1.7
2016 Pharmacists per 10,000 population	11.8

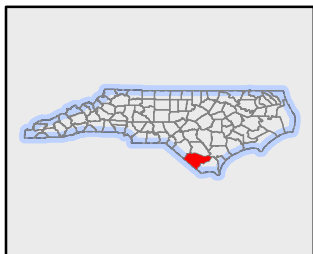
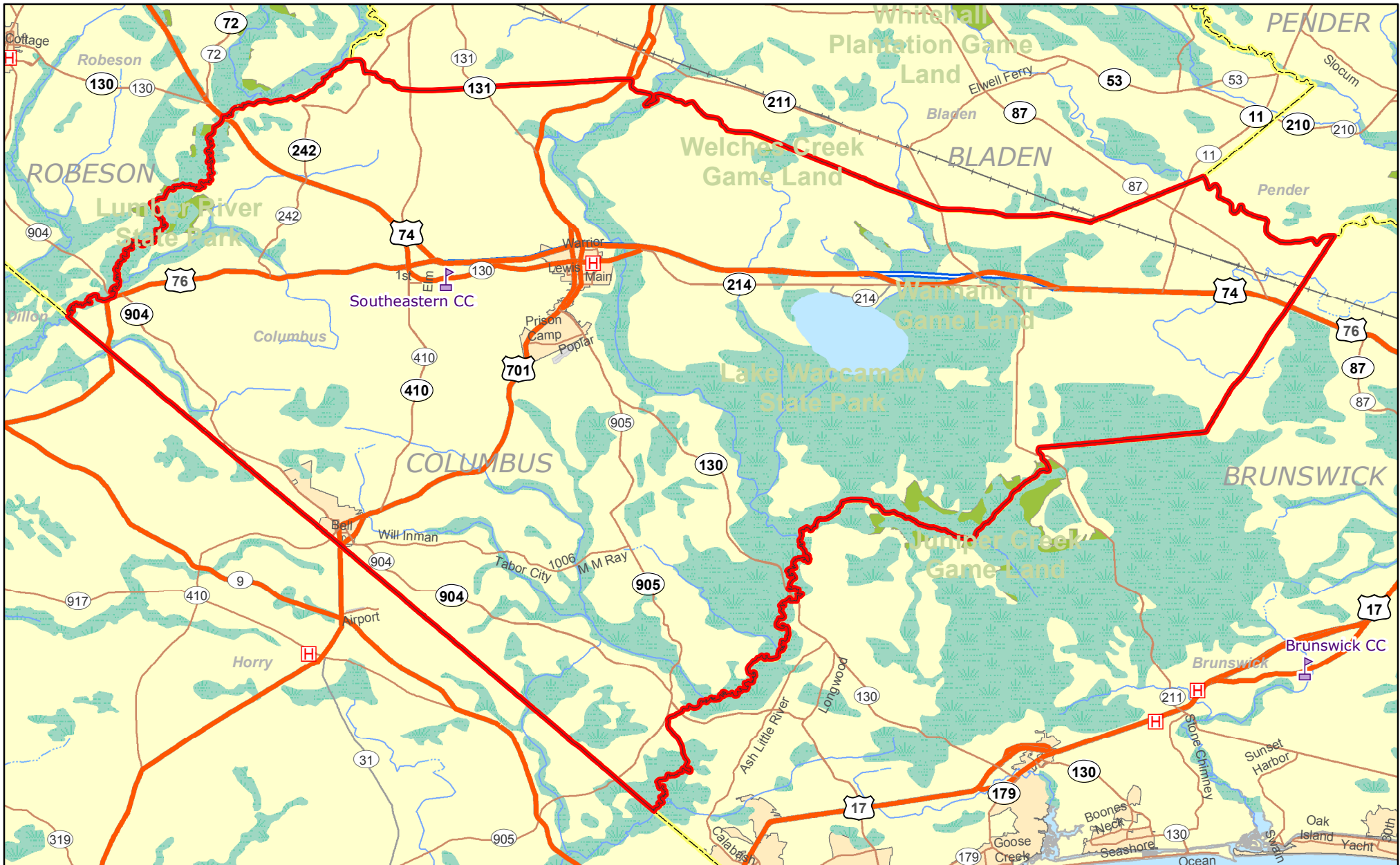
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Notes:

Data are the latest available at the date this profile was prepared. SAT scores use the new scoring system (2400 max) and represent NC county systems. Unemployment data are now showing preliminary month and subject to change. Some data may be available only for North Carolina. Census American Community Survey (ACS) data are estimates (Est) from the 2011-15, 5 year survey. ACS data is as of the end year with \$ inflated to the end year. Full datasets and topic dashboards are available at <http://AccessNC.NCCommerce.com>.

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Legend

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| Airports by Enplanements | | — Interstate |
| >14 | 3 - 14 | US Highway |
| < 3 (Million) | Pub/Pri Univ./Comm Col. | Major Road |
| Hospital | Railroads | County Boundary |

