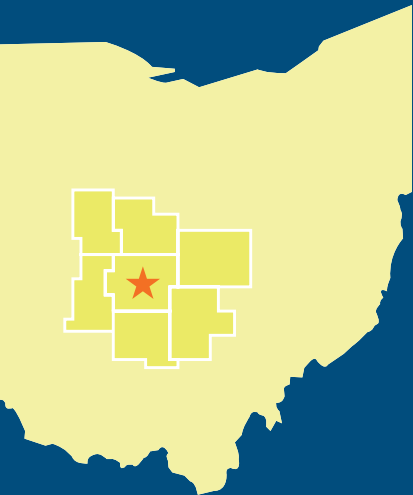


The **Columbus** Region



As you head to the National Championship Game the world is watching the Buckeyes and Columbus. We're a proud community. Proud of our team, proud of our businesses and proud of our potential. Show your pride by talking about the Columbus region.



We're well-connected.

Located within a one-day drive or a one-hour flight of nearly half the population of the U.S. and Canada, The Columbus Region is perfectly situated to connect your business to its most important resources.

We're already home to six Fortune 500 companies, 18 colleges and universities (with more than 100,00 students), and 1.7 million people, and since we're the second fastest-growing major metropolitan area in the Midwest, we're in a great position to help businesses grow, too.

How we rank:

Columbus: seventh strongest economy in the nation.
(POLICOM, August 2006)

A top ten best city to live.
(MONEY magazine, August 2006)

All-America City recognition.
(National Civic League, June 11, 2006)

Top 10 City for Art.
(AMERICAN STYLE magazine, April 2006)

Eighth Best City to Live.
(MONEY magazine, August 2006)

A top 50 hottest city for expansion and relocation.
(Expansion Management Magazine, Feb. 2006)

Eleventh Best City for Singles.
(Forbes Magazine, August 2006)

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