2006 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*

Physicians
Non-Federal Physicians 1,117
Primary Care Physicians 546
Family Practice 189
General Practice 15
Internal Medicine 180
Obstetrics/Gynecology 74
Pediatrics 88
Other Specialties 571
Physicians per 10,000 Population 13.2
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population 6.5
Federal Physicians** 171

Nurses
Registered Nurses 5,812
Nurse Practitioners 165
Certified Nurse Midwives 22
Licensed Practical Nurses 2,096

Other Health Professionals
Chiropractors 67
Occupational Therapists 126
Occupational Therapy Assistants 63
Optometrists 80
Pharmacists 529
Physical Therapists 248
Physical Therapist Assistants 208
Physician Assistants 318
Podiatrists 18
Practicing Psychologists 65
Psychological Associates 55
Respiratory Therapists 353

Health-Related Statistics

Vital Statistics 2005
(Rates are per 1,000 population)
Resident Births 13,359
Resident Deaths 7,003
% Births <2500 gms 9.2
Total Pregnancies 15,908
Teen Pregnancies 2,217
Teens <15-year-olds 7,003
Total Pregnancy Rate 88.9
Teen Pregnancy Rate 73.9

Infant Mortality Rates 2005
(Rates are per 1,000 population)
Total 11.9
White 9.1
Nonwhite 16.0

Hospital/Facility Data
General Hospital Discharges 2005 100,828
General Hospital Beds 2006 1,461
Nursing Facility Beds 2006 3,770

* Numbers reported include those active within the profession and those newly licensed in 2006 with unknown activity status; inactives 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.
+ 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.