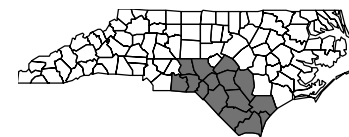


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Number of Counties in Region: 15

2004 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	1,825
Primary Care Physicians	836
Family Practice	271
General Practice	26
Internal Medicine	302
Obstetrics/Gynecology	120
Pediatrics	117
Other Specialties	987
Physicians per 10,000 Population	14.7
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	6.7
Federal Physicians**	147

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	420
Dental Hygienists	540

Nurses

Registered Nurses	9,322
Nurse Practitioners	281
Certified Nurse Midwives	20
Licensed Practical Nurses	3,112

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	164
Optometrists	127
Pharmacists	844
Physical Therapists	424
Physical Therapist Assistants	270
Physician Assistants	438
Podiatrists	35
Practicing Psychologists	117
Psychological Associates	128
Respiratory Therapists	517

DEMOGRAPHICS

Projected Population 2004

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	812,867	203,258	497,233	112,376
Nonwhite	432,644	144,538	251,985	36,121
Total	1,245,511	347,796	749,218	148,497
% of Pop.	100.0%	27.9%	60.2%	11.9%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2004	554,264
Employed 2004	521,769
Unemployed 2004	32,495
Unemployment Rate 2004 (%)	5.9
Per Capita Income 2003	\$24,641
Medicaid Eligibles 2003 (unduplicated count)	274,177

HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS

Vital Statistics 2003

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	17,589	Total Pregnancies	21,644	Total Pregnancy Rate	82.3
Resident Deaths	11,018	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	3,013	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	70.6
% Births <2500 gms	10.1				

Infant Mortality Rates 2003

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	9.6	White	6.7	Nonwhite	14.5
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2003 ⁺	147,241	General Hospital Beds 2004 ⁺⁺	2,617	Nursing Facility Beds 2004	5,875
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* Numbers reported include those who are active within the profession and those with unknown activity status who were newly licensed in 2004; 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.

⁺ Counts are for discharges of county residents from acute-care, short-stay hospitals; numbers exclude normal newborn

⁺⁺ Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.