

# State Total



Number of Counties in Region: 100

## ■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS\* ■

### Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	17,090
Primary Care Physicians	7,265
<i>Family Practice</i>	2,347
<i>General Practice</i>	151
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	2,481
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	960
<i>Pediatrics</i>	1,326
Other Specialties	9,825
Physicians per 10,000 Population	20.1
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	8.6
Federal Physicians**	473

### Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	3,462
Dental Hygienists	4,095

### Nurses

Registered Nurses	76,334
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	2,122
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	196
Licensed Practical Nurses	16,946

### Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	1,160
Optometrists	885
Pharmacists	7,218
Physical Therapists	3,347
Physical Therapist Assistants	1,671
Physician Assistants	2,390
Podiatrists	234
Practicing Psychologists	1,626
Psychological Associates	927

## ■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

### Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
<b>White</b>	6,333,501	1,605,438	3,891,421	836,642
<b>Nonwhite</b>	2,152,301	711,984	1,265,589	174,728
<b>Total</b>	<b>8,485,802</b>	<b>2,317,422</b>	<b>5,157,010</b>	<b>1,011,370</b>
<b>% of Pop.</b>	100.0%	27.3%	60.8%	11.9%

### Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	4,229,788
Employed 2003	3,956,955
Unemployed 2003	272,833
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	6.5
Per Capita Income 2002	\$27,785
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	1,447,283

## ■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

### Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	117,307	Total Pregnancies	144,012	Total Pregnancy Rate	70.0
Resident Deaths	71,780	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	17,976	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	64.2
% Births <2500 gms	9.0				

### Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	8.2	White	5.9	Nonwhite	14.2
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### Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 <sup>+</sup>	912,923	General Hospital Beds 2003 <sup>++</sup>	20,558	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	43,512
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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 2002; 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.

<sup>+</sup>Counts are for discharges of county residents from acute-care, short-stay hospitals; numbers exclude normal newborns.

<sup>++</sup>Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.