



Number of Counties in Region: 16

■ 2009 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	1,632
Primary Care Physicians	789
Family Practice	360
General Practice	12
Internal Medicine	231
Obstetrics/Gynecology	81
Pediatrics	105
Other Specialties	843
Physicians per 10,000 Population	22.1
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	10.7
Federal Physicians **	89

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	337
Dental Hygienists	470

Nurses

Registered Nurses	7,857
Nurse Practitioners	303
Certified Nurse Midwives	27
Licensed Practical Nurses	1,886

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	148
Occupational Therapists	232
Occupational Therapy Assistants	96
Optometrists	77
Pharmacists	676
Physical Therapists	497
Physical Therapist Assistants	286
Physician Assistants	266
Podiatrists	24
Practicing Psychologists	191
Psychological Associates	90
Respiratory Therapists	358

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2009

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	680,332	151,421	392,315	136,596
Nonwhite	59,633	18,287	34,765	6,581
Total	739,965	169,708	427,080	143,177
% of Pop.	100.0%	22.9%	57.7%	19.3%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2009	358,052
Employed 2009	321,049
Unemployed 2009	37,003
Unemployment Rate 2009 (%)	10.3
Per Capita Income 2008	\$31,784
Medicaid Eligibles 2009	142,606

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2008

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	8,224	Total Pregnancies	9,527	Total Pregnancy Rate	71.3
Resident Deaths	8,293	Teen Pregnancies	1,270	Teen Pregnancy Rate	55.4
% Births <2500 gms	8.0	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2008

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	6.0	White	5.2	Nonwhite	12.7
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2008 ⁺	81,221	General Hospital Beds 2009 ⁺⁺	1,682	Nursing Facility Beds 2009*	5,410
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* Numbers reported include those active within the profession and those newly licensed in 2009 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.