



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Coastal AHEC

■ 2009 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	644
Primary Care Physicians	249
Family Practice	60
General Practice	4
Internal Medicine	105
Obstetrics/Gynecology	38
Pediatrics	42
Other Specialties	395
Physicians per 10,000 Population	33.2
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	12.8
Federal Physicians**	9

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	141
Dental Hygienists	149

Nurses

Registered Nurses	2,671
Nurse Practitioners	122
Certified Nurse Midwives	4
Licensed Practical Nurses	542

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	57
Occupational Therapists	88
Occupational Therapy Assistants	53
Optometrists	35
Pharmacists	214
Physical Therapists	189
Physical Therapist Assistants	55
Physician Assistants	154
Podiatrists	11
Practicing Psychologists	73
Psychological Associates	55
Respiratory Therapists	111

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2009

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	158,681	33,844	100,412	24,425
Nonwhite	35,418	11,144	20,548	3,726
Total	194,099	44,988	120,960	28,151
% of Pop.	100.0%	23.2%	62.3%	14.5%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2009	102,646
Employed 2009	92,994
Unemployed 2009	9,652
Unemployment Rate 2009 (%)	9.4
Per Capita Income 2008	\$36,629
Medicaid Eligibles 2009	29,133

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2008

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	2,451	Total Pregnancies	3,213	Total Pregnancy Rate	78.2
Resident Deaths	1,571	Teen Pregnancies	286	Teen Pregnancy Rate	40.9
% Births <2500 gms	9.4	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2008

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	4.9	White	2.1	Nonwhite	14.3
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2008 ⁺	18,679	General Hospital Beds 2009 ⁺⁺	647	Nursing Facility Beds 2009	929
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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.