



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Coastal AHEC

■ 2006 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	93
Primary Care Physicians	50
<i>Family Practice</i>	18
<i>General Practice</i>	2
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	16
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	7
<i>Pediatrics</i>	7
Other Specialties	43
Physicians per 10,000 Population	9.8
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	5.3
Federal Physicians**	1

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	25
Dental Hygienists	29

Nurses

Registered Nurses	443
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	16
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	206

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	18
Occupational Therapists	19
Occupational Therapy Assistants	16
Optometrists	10
Pharmacists	66
Physical Therapists	30
Physical Therapist Assistants	8
Physician Assistants	26
Podiatrists	2
Practicing Psychologists	7
Psychological Associates	1
Respiratory Therapists	26

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2006

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	80,779	16,520	48,160	16,099
Nonwhite	14,185	4,472	8,238	1,475
Total	94,964	20,992	56,398	17,574
% of Pop.	100.0%	22.1%	59.4%	18.5%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2006	45,420
Employed 2006	43,356
Unemployed 2006	2,064
Unemployment Rate 2006 (%)	4.5
Per Capita Income 2005	\$26,866
Medicaid Eligibles 2006	17,380

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2005

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	967	Total Pregnancies	1,164	Total Pregnancy Rate	75.9
Resident Deaths	869	Teen Pregnancies	164	Teen Pregnancy Rate	69.0
% Births <2500 gms	9.3	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2006

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	10.3	White	11.0	Nonwhite	6.8
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2005 ⁺	11,359	General Hospital Beds 2006 ⁺⁺	96	Nursing Facility Beds 2006	454
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* 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.