Coastal AHEC

Number of Counties in Region: 5



■ 2006 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians		Nurses	
Non-Federal Physicians	809	Registered Nurses	3,973
Primary Care Physicians	359	Nurse Practitioners	146
Family Practice	106	Certified Nurse Midwives	5
General Practice	8	Licensed Practical Nurses	1,037
Internal Medicine	147	Other Health Professionals	
Obstetrics/Gynecology	47	Chiropractors	91
Pediatrics	51	Occupational Therapists	95
Other Specialties	450	Occupational Therapy Assistants	
Physicians per 10,000 Population	18.6	Optometrists	69
Primary Care Physicians	8.2	•	54
per 10,000 Population		Pharmacists	369
1		Physical Therapists	212
Federal Physicians **	4	Physical Therapist Assistants	94
Dentists and Dental Hygienists		Physician Assistants	168
Dentists	190	Podiatrists	16
Dental Hygienists	233	Practicing Psychologists	74
		Psychological Associates	60
		Respiratory Therapists	186

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2006

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	343,255	78,341	212,061	52,853
Nonwhite	91,925	28,233	53,524	10,168
Total	435,180	106,574	265,585	63,021
% of Pop.	100.0%	24.5%	61.0%	14.5%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2006	219,872			
Employed 2006	210,425			
Unemployed 2006	9,447			
Unemployment Rate 2006 (%)	4.3			
Per Capita Income 2005	\$28,446			
Medicaid Eligibles 2006	85,824			

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2005

(Rates are per 1,000 population)					
Resident Births	5,430	Total Pregnancies	6,732	Total Pregnancy Rate	80.0
Resident Deaths		Teen Pregnancies	853	Teen Pregnancy Rate	
% Births <2500 gms	9.9	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	
Infant Mortality Rates 2005					
(Rates are per 1,000 population)					
Total	6.1	White	5.2	Nonwhite	9.1
Hospital/Facility Data					
General Hospital Discharges 2005	49,248	General Hospital Beds 2006++	1,001	Nursing Facility Beds 2006 -	2,211

^{*} 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.