Number of Counties in Region: 11

2008 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*

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Non-Federal Physicians	4,481
Primary Care Physicians	1,944
Family Practice	631
General Practice	16
Internal Medicine	647
Obstetrics/Gynecology	260
Pediatrics	390
Other Specialties	2,531
Physicians per 10,000 Population	20.7
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	9.0
Federal Physicians **	96
Dentists and Dental Hygienists	
Dentists	992
Dental Hygienists	1,244

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2008

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	1,668,469	441,927	1,023,155	203,387
Nonwhite	492,184	160,283	296,068	35,833
Total	2,160,653	602,210	1,319,223	239,220
% of Pop.	100.0%	27.9%	61.1%	11.1%

Nurses **Registered Nurses** 20,351 699 Nurse Practitioners Certified Nurse Midwives 54 Licensed Practical Nurses 3,413 Other Health Professionals Chiropractors 395 **Occupational Therapists** 567 **Occupational Therapy Assistants** 282 Optometrists 233 Pharmacists 2,059 **Physical Therapists** 1,078 Physical Therapist Assistants 600 **Physician Assistants** 643 **Podiatrists**

Practicing Psychologists

Psychological Associates

Respiratory Therapists

Employment and Income Data

69

308

173

879

Labor Force 2008	1,104,641
Employed 2008	1,031,952
Unemployed 2008	72,689
Unemployment Rate 2008 (%)) 6.6
Per Capita Income 2007	\$36,977
Medicaid Eligibles 2008	280,804

HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS

Vital Statistics 2007

(Rates are per 1,000 population)					
Resident Births	32,220	Total Pregnancies	39,151	Total Pregnancy Rate	87.2
Resident Deaths	15,861	Teen Pregnancies	4,537	Teen Pregnancy Rate	59.2
% Births <2500 gms	9.2	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	
Infant Mortality Rates 2007					
(Rates are per 1,000 population)					
Total	6.8	White	5.7	Nonwhite	9.7
Hospital/Facility Data					
General Hospital Discharges 2008	220,213	General Hospital Beds 20	08 ⁺⁺ 4,602	Nursing Facility Beds 2008.	8,806

* Numbers reported include those active within the profession and those newly licensed in 2008 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.

