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Number of Counties in Region: 26



■ 2008 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians		Nurses	
Non-Federal Physicians	2,662	Registered Nurses	13,154
Primary Care Physicians	1,234 572	Nurse Practitioners Certified Nurse Midwives	476 46
Family Practice General Practice	20	Licensed Practical Nurses	2,948
Internal Medicine	352	Other Health Professionals	
Obstetrics/Gynecology Pediatrics	128 162	Chiropractors	224
Other Specialties	1,424	Occupational Therapists	340
Physicians per 10,000 Population	19.6	Occupational Therapy Assistants Optometrists	210 127
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	9.1	Pharmacists Physical Therapists	1,141
Federal Physicians **	83	Physical Therapists Physical Therapist Assistants	698 494
Dentists and Dental Hygienists		Physician Assistants	407
Dentists	547	Podiatrists	39
Dental Hygienists	760	Practicing Psychologists	274
		Psychological Associates	194
		Respiratory Therapists	559

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2008

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	1,236,204	291,951	735,414	208,839
Nonwhite	124,375	39,702	73,094	11,579
Total	1,360,579	331,653	808,508	220,418
% of Pop.	100.0%	24.4%	59.4%	16.2%

Employment and Income Data

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Labor Force 2008	661,568		
Employed 2008	617,456		
Unemployed 2008	44,112		
Unemployment Rate 2008 (%)	6.7		
Per Capita Income 2007	\$29,209		
Medicaid Eligibles 2008	205,928		

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2007

(Rates are per 1,000 population)			
Resident Births	15,704	Total Pregnancies 18,213	Total Pregnancy Rate 70.2
Resident Deaths	14,143	Teen Pregnancies 2,566	Teen Pregnancy Rate 56.0
% Births <2500 gms		(ages 15-19)	
Infant Mortality Rates 2007 (Rates are per 1,000 population)			
	7.3	White	Nonwhite 13.2
Hospital/Facility Data			
General Hospital Discharges 2008	153,690	General Hospital Beds 2008 3,294	Nursing Facility Beds 2008 8,594

^{*} 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.