Number of Counties in Region: 11

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3,189
1,350
434
20
491
151
254
1,839
20.9
8.8
23
634
848

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2006

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	1,176,593	299,472	711,650	165,471
Nonwhite	350,403	112,461	209,406	28,536
Total	1,526,996	411,933	921,056	194,007
% of Pop.	100.0%	27.0%	60.3%	12.7%

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2005

(Rates are per 1,000 population)					
Resident Births	19,787	Total Pregnancies	24,951	Total Pregnancy Rate	78.4
Resident Deaths	13,872	Teen Pregnancies	3,115	Teen Pregnancy Rate	59.5
% Births <2500 gms	9.7	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	
Infant Mortality Rates 2005					
(Rates are per 1,000 population)					
Total	9.1	White	7.5	Nonwhite	14.0
Hospital/Facility Data					
General Hospital Discharges 2005 ⁺	173,761	General Hospital Beds 2006	⁺⁺ 3,730	Nursing Facility Beds 2006	8,563

* 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.

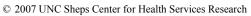
++Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.

Nurses
Registered Nurses
Nurse Practitioners
Certified Nurse Midwives
Licensed Practical Nurses
Other Health Professionals

Other Meanin 1 rojessionais	
Chiropractors	153
Occupational Therapists	335
Occupational Therapy Assistants	118
Optometrists	169
Pharmacists	1,330
Physical Therapists	676
Physical Therapist Assistants	252
Physician Assistants	541
Podiatrists	47
Practicing Psychologists	207
Psychological Associates	109
Respiratory Therapists	615

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2006	804,349
Employed 2006	764,880
Unemployed 2006	39,469
Unemployment Rate 2006 (%)	4.9
Per Capita Income 2005	\$30,919
Medicaid Eligibles 2006	276,886





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2,776