Number of Counties in Region: 15

# ■ 2006 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS\*■

Physicians	
Non-Federal Physicians	1,918
Primary Care Physicians	892
Family Practice	293
General Practice	23
Internal Medicine	322
Obstetrics/Gynecology	117
Pediatrics	137
Other Specialties	1,026
Physicians per 10,000 Population	15.0
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	7.0
Federal Physicians **	176
Dentists and Dental Hygienists	
Dentists	446
Dental Hygienists	592

# DEMOGRAPHICS

### **Projected Population 2006**

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	837,586	208,183	510,138	119,265
Nonwhite	442,165	146,359	258,043	37,763
Total	1,279,751	354,542	768,181	157,028
% of Pop.	100.0%	27.7%	60.0%	12.3%

### HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS Vital Statistics 2005 (Rates are per 1,000 population) Resident Births 18,644 Total Pregnancies 22,536 Total Pregnancy Rate85.8 Resident Deaths 10,919 Teen Pregnancies 3,062 Teen Pregnancy Rate 70.0 (ages 15-19) (ages 15-19) % Births <2500 gms 9.4 Infant Mortality Rates 2005 (Rates are per 1,000 population) Total White 7.7 10.5 Nonwhite 15.6 Hospital/Facility Data General Hospital Beds 2006<sup>++</sup> 2,490 Nursing Facility Beds 2006 6,011 General Hospital Discharges 2005<sup>+</sup> 150,642

\* 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
Chiropractors

Chiropractors	158
Occupational Therapists	222
Occupational Therapy Assistants	136
Optometrists	130
Pharmacists	895
Physical Therapists	461
Physical Therapist Assistants	304
Physician Assistants	487
Podiatrists	33
Practicing Psychologists	143
Psychological Associates	120
Respiratory Therapists	544

## *Employment and Income Data*

Labor Force 2006	589,014
Employed 2006	558,113
Unemployed 2006	30,901
Unemployment Rate 2006 (%)	5.2
Per Capita Income 2005	\$28,013
Medicaid Eligibles 2006	289,571



9,744

3,171

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