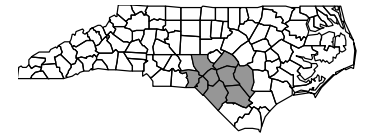


Southern Regional AHEC



Number of Counties in Region: 9

■ 2006 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	1,117
Primary Care Physicians	546
<i>Family Practice</i>	189
<i>General Practice</i>	15
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	180
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	74
<i>Pediatrics</i>	88
Other Specialties	571
Physicians per 10,000 Population	13.2
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	6.5
Federal Physicians**	171

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	257
Dental Hygienists	367

Nurses

Registered Nurses	5,812
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	165
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	22
Licensed Practical Nurses	2,096

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	67
Occupational Therapists	126
Occupational Therapy Assistants	63
Optometrists	80
Pharmacists	529
Physical Therapists	248
Physical Therapist Assistants	208
Physician Assistants	318
Podiatrists	18
Practicing Psychologists	65
Psychological Associates	55
Respiratory Therapists	353

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2006

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	498,659	132,289	300,894	65,476
Nonwhite	345,743	116,733	201,331	27,679
Total	844,402	249,022	502,225	93,155
% of Pop.	100.0%	29.5%	59.5%	11.0%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2006	369,265
Employed 2006	348,226
Unemployed 2006	21,039
Unemployment Rate 2006 (%)	5.7
Per Capita Income 2005	\$27,752
Medicaid Eligibles 2006	202,615

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2005

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	13,359	Total Pregnancies	15,908	Total Pregnancy Rate	88.9
Resident Deaths	7,003	Teen Pregnancies	2,217	Teen Pregnancy Rate	73.9
% Births <2500 gms	9.2	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2005

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	11.9	White	9.1	Nonwhite	16.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2005 ⁺	100,828	General Hospital Beds 2006 ⁺⁺	1,461	Nursing Facility Beds 2006	3,770
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* 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.