Number of Counties in Region:

■ 2006 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

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Non-Federal Physicians	3,842
Primary Care Physicians	1,525
Family Practice	376
General Practice	22
Internal Medicine	587
Obstetrics/Gynecology	193
Pediatrics	347
Other Specialties	2,317
Physicians per 10,000 Population	26.4
Primary Care Physicians	10.5
per 10,000 Population	
Federal Physicians **	122
Dentists and Dental Hygienists	
Dentists	793
Dental Hygienists	825

DEMOGRAPHICS

Projected Population 2006

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	1,025,654	275,134	653,156	97,364
Nonwhite	428,498	136,728	261,722	30,048
Total	1,454,152	411,862	914,878	127,412
% of Pop.	100.0%	28.3%	62.9%	8.8%

Nurses **Registered Nurses** 15,299 Nurse Practitioners 540 Certified Nurse Midwives 22 Licensed Practical Nurses 2,502 Other Health Professionals Chiropractors 213 **Occupational Therapists** 417 **Occupational Therapy Assistants** 91 Optometrists 180 Pharmacists 1,801 **Physical Therapists** 857 Physical Therapist Assistants 175 Physician Assistants 562 **Podiatrists** 38 **Practicing Psychologists** 544 **Psychological Associates** 158

Respiratory Therapists

Employment and Income Data

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Labor Force 2006	761,206
Employed 2006	730,402
Unemployed 2006	30,804
Unemployment Rate 2006 (%)	4.0
Per Capita Income 2005	\$33,654
Medicaid Eligibles 2006	218,379

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2005

(Rates are per 1,000 population)					
Resident Births	22,145	Total Pregnancies	27,748	Total Pregnancy Rate	86.3
Resident Deaths	8,900	Teen Pregnancies	2,630	Teen Pregnancy Rate	55.3
% Births <2500 gms	8.9	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	
Infant Mortality Rates 2005					
(Rates are per 1,000 population)					
Total	6.6	White	3.7	Nonwhite	13.4
Hospital/Facility Data					
General Hospital Discharges 2005 ⁺	136,868	General Hospital Beds 2006 ⁺⁺	3,016	Nursing Facility Beds 2006	5,575

* 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.

