Number of Counties in Region:

2009 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*

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Non-Federal Physicians	4,268
Primary Care Physicians	1,681
Family Practice	424
General Practice	21
Internal Medicine	659
Obstetrics/Gynecology	192
Pediatrics	385
Other Specialties	2,587
Physicians per 10,000 Population	26.6
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	10.5
Federal Physicians **	181
Dentists and Dental Hygienists	
Dentists	883
Dental Hygienists	936

DEMOGRAPHICS

Projected Population 2009

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	1,118,174	293,904	713,190	111,080
Nonwhite	485,914	146,393	303,802	35,719
Total	1,604,088	440,297	1,016,992	146,799
% of Pop.	100.0%	27.4%	63.4%	9.2%

HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS

Vital Statistics 2008

(Rates are per 1,000 population)					
Resident Births	24,367	Total Pregnancies	30,200	Total Pregnancy Rate	84.0
Resident Deaths	9,519	Teen Pregnancies	2,892	Teen Pregnancy Rate	52.9
% Births <2500 gms	8.4	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	
Infant Mortality Rates 2008					
(Rates are per 1,000 population)					
Total	6.3	White	4.5	Nonwhite	10.3
Hospital/Facility Data					
General Hospital Discharges 2008 ⁺	148,398	General Hospital Beds 2009.	3,103	Nursing Facility Beds 2009*	5,304

* Numbers reported include those active within the profession and those newly licensed in 2009 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	17,394
Nurse Practitioners	701
Certified Nurse Midwives	34
Licensed Practical Nurses	2,720
Other Health Professionals	
Chiropractors	262
Occupational Therapists	523
Occupational Therapy Assistants	114
Optometrists	198
Pharmacists	1,991
Physical Therapists	1,093
Physical Therapist Assistants	200
Physician Assistants	719
Podiatrists	42
Practicing Psychologists	606
Psychological Associates	169
Respiratory Therapists	590

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2009	791,168
Employed 2009	719,490
Unemployed 2009	71,678
Unemployment Rate 2009 (%)	9.1
Per Capita Income 2008	\$38,016
Medicaid Eligibles 2009	232,789