



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Charlotte

■ 2005 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	2,035
Primary Care Physicians	798
<i>Family Practice</i>	203
<i>General Practice</i>	9
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	286
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	132
<i>Pediatrics</i>	168
Other Specialties	1,237
Physicians per 10,000 Population	25.9
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	10.1
Federal Physicians**	10

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	504
Dental Hygienists	494

Nurses

Registered Nurses	9,189
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	243
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	9
Licensed Practical Nurses	1,141

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	193
Optometrists	94
Pharmacists	748
Physical Therapists	445
Physical Therapist Assistants	196
Physician Assistants	247
Podiatrists	29
Practicing Psychologists	189
Psychological Associates	78
Respiratory Therapists	399

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2005

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	522,334	137,393	334,466	50,475
Nonwhite	264,317	88,159	161,988	14,170
Total	786,651	225,552	496,454	64,645
% of Pop.	100.0%	28.7%	63.1%	8.2%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2005	430,061
Employed 2005	409,047
Unemployed 2005	21,014
Unemployment Rate 2005 (%)	4.9
Per Capita Income 2004	\$40,416
Medicaid Eligibles 2004 (unduplicated count)	123,387

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2004

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	12,952	Total Pregnancies	17,109	Total Pregnancy Rate	94.0
Resident Deaths	4,676	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	1,541	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	58.3
% Births <2500 gms	8.3				

Infant Mortality Rates 2004

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	9.2	White	6.3	Nonwhite	14.7
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2004 [†]	70,826	General Hospital Beds 2005 ^{††}	1,989	Nursing Facility Beds 2005	3,088
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* Numbers reported include those who are active within the profession and those with unknown activity status who were newly licensed in 2005; inactive 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.