



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Eastern AHEC

■ 2008 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	668
Primary Care Physicians	243
<i>Family Practice</i>	59
<i>General Practice</i>	0
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	88
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	33
<i>Pediatrics</i>	63
Other Specialties	425
Physicians per 10,000 Population	42.9
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	15.6
Federal Physicians**	14

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	69
Dental Hygienists	56

Nurses

Registered Nurses	3,051
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	113
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	16
Licensed Practical Nurses	325

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	13
Occupational Therapists	80
Occupational Therapy Assistants	40
Optometrists	20
Pharmacists	199
Physical Therapists	104
Physical Therapist Assistants	55
Physician Assistants	95
Podiatrists	15
Practicing Psychologists	40
Psychological Associates	29
Respiratory Therapists	139

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2008

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	98,726	26,179	62,082	10,465
Nonwhite	56,881	18,828	33,644	4,409
Total	155,607	45,007	95,726	14,874
% of Pop.	100.0%	28.9%	61.5%	9.6%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2008	80,622
Employed 2008	75,263
Unemployed 2008	5,359
Unemployment Rate 2008 (%)	6.6
Per Capita Income 2007	\$30,984
Medicaid Eligibles 2008	23,145

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2007

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	2,336	Total Pregnancies	2,967	Total Pregnancy Rate	78.5
Resident Deaths	1,097	Teen Pregnancies	326	Teen Pregnancy Rate	43.7
% Births <2500 gms	12.3	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2007

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	6.4	White	3.0	Nonwhite	11.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2008 ⁺	16,652	General Hospital Beds 2008 ⁺⁺	667	Nursing Facility Beds 2008	570
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* Numbers reported include those active within the profession and those newly licensed in 2008 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.