



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Charlotte

■ 2004 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	309
Primary Care Physicians	138
<i>Family Practice</i>	50
<i>General Practice</i>	1
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	47
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	13
<i>Pediatrics</i>	27
Other Specialties	171
Physicians per 10,000 Population	21.0
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	9.4
Federal Physicians**	1

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	46
Dental Hygienists	75

Nurses

Registered Nurses	1,419
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	38
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	6
Licensed Practical Nurses	195

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	32
Optometrists	14
Pharmacists	145
Physical Therapists	43
Physical Therapist Assistants	39
Physician Assistants	25
Podiatrists	3
Practicing Psychologists	16
Psychological Associates	19
Respiratory Therapists	51

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2004

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	125,962	35,045	76,439	14,478
Nonwhite	20,890	7,399	11,915	1,576
Total	146,852	42,444	88,354	16,054
% of Pop.	100.0%	28.9%	60.2%	10.9%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2004	77,478
Employed 2004	72,750
Unemployed 2004	4,728
Unemployment Rate 2004 (%)	6.1
Per Capita Income 2003	\$29,842
Medicaid Eligibles 2003 <i>(unduplicated count)</i>	21,385

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2003

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	2,237	Total Pregnancies	2,659	Total Pregnancy Rate	85.5
Resident Deaths	1,252	Teen Pregnancies	278	Teen Pregnancy Rate	57.7
% Births <2500 gms	9.0	<i>(ages 15-19)</i>		<i>(ages 15-19)</i>	

Infant Mortality Rates 2003

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	10.7	White	6.9	Nonwhite	30.1
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2003 [†]	17,092	General Hospital Beds 2004 ^{††}	447	Nursing Facility Beds 2004	691
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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 2004; 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.