



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Charlotte AHEC

■ 2006 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	355
Primary Care Physicians	167
<i>Family Practice</i>	65
<i>General Practice</i>	2
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	55
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	21
<i>Pediatrics</i>	24
Other Specialties	188
Physicians per 10,000 Population	18.0
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	8.5
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	73
Dental Hygienists	91

Nurses

Registered Nurses	1,460
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	41
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	13
Licensed Practical Nurses	351

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	27
Occupational Therapists	31
Occupational Therapy Assistants	16
Optometrists	25
Pharmacists	160
Physical Therapists	57
Physical Therapist Assistants	56
Physician Assistants	48
Podiatrists	6
Practicing Psychologists	10
Psychological Associates	10
Respiratory Therapists	42

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2006

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	164,386	40,993	100,789	22,604
Nonwhite	32,846	11,111	19,168	2,567
Total	197,232	52,104	119,957	25,171
% of Pop.	100.0%	26.4%	60.8%	12.8%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2006	100,564
Employed 2006	95,073
Unemployed 2006	5,491
Unemployment Rate 2006 (%)	5.5
Per Capita Income 2005	\$29,854
Medicaid Eligibles 2006	42,303

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2005

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	2,562	Total Pregnancies	3,020	Total Pregnancy Rate	75.0
Resident Deaths	1,916	Teen Pregnancies	424	Teen Pregnancy Rate	66.8
% Births <2500 gms	9.3	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2006

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	9.8	White	8.1	Nonwhite	17.2
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2005 ⁺	25,760	General Hospital Beds 2006 ⁺⁺	372	Nursing Facility Beds 2006	972
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* 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.