



Number of Counties in Region: 8

2007 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	3,500
Primary Care Physicians	1,529
Family Practice	490
General Practice	13
Internal Medicine	519
Obstetrics/Gynecology	200
Pediatrics	307
Other Specialties	1,969
Physicians per 10,000 Population	21.0
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	9.2
Federal Physicians **	15

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	789
Dental Hygienists	929

Nurses

Registered Nurses	15,115
Nurse Practitioners	497
Certified Nurse Midwives	37
Licensed Practical Nurses	2,561

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	319
Occupational Therapists	408
Occupational Therapy Assistants	186
Optometrists	176
Pharmacists	1,504
Physical Therapists	794
Physical Therapist Assistants	404
Physician Assistants	440
Podiatrists	45
Practicing Psychologists	248
Psychological Associates	137
Respiratory Therapists	660

DEMOGRAPHICS

Projected Population 2007

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	1,240,435	330,371	772,354	137,710
Nonwhite	424,822	141,817	256,707	26,298
Total	1,665,257	472,188	1,029,061	164,008
% of Pop.	100.0%	28.4%	61.8%	9.8%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2007	855,012
Employed 2007	814,961
Unemployed 2007	40,051
Unemployment Rate 2007 (%)	4.7
Per Capita Income 2006	\$37,499
Medicaid Eligibles 2007	280,844

HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS

Vital Statistics 2006

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	25,360	Total Pregnancies	31,980	Total Pregnancy Rate	88.0
Resident Deaths	11,699	Teen Pregnancies	3,542	Teen Pregnancy Rate	62.9
% Births <2500 gms	8.7	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2007

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	7.3	White	5.6	Nonwhite	11.6
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2006 ⁺	168,017	General Hospital Beds 2007 ⁺⁺	3,563	Nursing Facility Beds 2007	6,643
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* Numbers reported include those active within the profession and those newly licensed in 2007 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.