



Number of Counties in Region: 5

## 2005 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS\*

### Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	779
Primary Care Physicians	333
Family Practice	101
General Practice	6
Internal Medicine	139
Obstetrics/Gynecology	49
Pediatrics	38
Other Specialties	446
Physicians per 10,000 Population	18.6
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	8.0
Federal Physicians**	6

### Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	184
Dental Hygienists	223

### Nurses

Registered Nurses	3,847
Nurse Practitioners	144
Certified Nurse Midwives	6
Licensed Practical Nurses	1,041

### Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	93
Optometrists	52
Pharmacists	346
Physical Therapists	203
Physical Therapist Assistants	89
Physician Assistants	168
Podiatrists	15
Practicing Psychologists	64
Psychological Associates	57
Respiratory Therapists	173

## DEMOGRAPHICS

### Projected Population 2005

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	328,627	75,030	204,298	49,299
Nonwhite	89,706	27,482	52,458	9,766
<b>Total</b>	<b>418,333</b>	<b>102,512</b>	<b>256,756</b>	<b>59,065</b>
% of Pop.	100.0%	24.5%	61.4%	14.1%

### Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2005	210,247
Employed 2005	200,338
Unemployed 2005	9,909
Unemployment Rate 2005 (%)	4.7
Per Capita Income 2004	\$26,614
Medicaid Eligibles 2004 (unduplicated count)	82,602

## HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS

### Vital Statistics 2004

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	5,091	Total Pregnancies	6,471	Total Pregnancy Rate	77.1
Resident Deaths	3,791	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	858	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	64.0
% Births <2500 gms	9.4				

### Infant Mortality Rates 2004

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	6.7	White	4.4	Nonwhite	13.9
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### Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2004 <sup>†</sup>	49,743	General Hospital Beds 2005 <sup>††</sup>	1,001	Nursing Facility Beds 2005	2,176
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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.