



Number of Counties in Region: 8

■ 2007 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	2,748
Primary Care Physicians	1,126
<i>Family Practice</i>	338
<i>General Practice</i>	10
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	404
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	143
<i>Pediatrics</i>	231
Other Specialties	1,622
Physicians per 10,000 Population	25.6
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	10.5
Federal Physicians **	17

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	538
Dental Hygienists	623

Nurses

Registered Nurses	10,287
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	413
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	38
Licensed Practical Nurses	1,612

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	129
Occupational Therapists	286
Occupational Therapy Assistants	92
Optometrists	106
Pharmacists	989
Physical Therapists	552
Physical Therapist Assistants	172
Physician Assistants	317
Podiatrists	29
Practicing Psychologists	336
Psychological Associates	94
Respiratory Therapists	419

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2007

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	797,802	201,080	488,881	107,841
Nonwhite	274,808	86,372	166,113	22,323
Total	1,072,610	287,452	654,994	130,164
% of Pop.	100.0%	26.8%	61.1%	12.1%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2007	556,095
Employed 2007	530,018
Unemployed 2007	26,077
Unemployment Rate 2007 (%)	4.7
Per Capita Income 2006	\$33,051
Medicaid Eligibles 2007	188,678

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2006

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	13,517	Total Pregnancies	17,468	Total Pregnancy Rate	75.2
Resident Deaths	8,837	Teen Pregnancies	2,165	Teen Pregnancy Rate	53.1
% Births <2500 gms	8.4	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2007

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	8.5	White	6.7	Nonwhite	12.9
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2006 ⁺	113,344	General Hospital Beds 2007 ⁺⁺	2,361	Nursing Facility Beds 2007	5,870
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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.