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Number of Counties in Region: 5

2007 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	404
Primary Care Physicians	201
Family Practice	64
General Practice	4
Internal Medicine	79
Obstetrics/Gynecology	28
Pediatrics	26
Other Specialties	203
Physicians per 10,000 Population	13.5
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	6.7
Federal Physicians **	1

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	88
Dental Hygienists	112

Nurses

Registered Nurses	2,445
Nurse Practitioners	51
Certified Nurse Midwives	2
Licensed Practical Nurses	692

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	25
Occupational Therapists	43
Occupational Therapy Assistants	30
Optometrists	28
Pharmacists	202
Physical Therapists	86
Physical Therapist Assistants	111
Physician Assistants	70
Podiatrists	6
Practicing Psychologists	17
Psychological Associates	25
Respiratory Therapists	114

DEMOGRAPHICS

Projected Population 2007

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	155,513	37,429	92,540	25,544
Nonwhite	143,772	44,009	84,688	15,075
Total	299,285	81,438	177,228	40,619
% of Pop.	100.0%	27.2%	59.2%	13.6%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2007	145,008
Employed 2007	136,103
Unemployed 2007	8,905
Unemployment Rate 2007 (%)	6.1
Per Capita Income 2006	\$27,786
Medicaid Eligibles 2007	84,096

HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS

Vital Statistics 2006

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	3,960	Total Pregnancies	5,020	Total Pregnancy Rate	85.3
Resident Deaths	3,198	Teen Pregnancies	818	Teen Pregnancy Rate	78.7
% Births <2500 gms	11.7	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2007

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	13.4	White	6.8	Nonwhite	19.4
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2006 ⁺	45,450	General Hospital Beds 2007 ⁺⁺	871	Nursing Facility Beds 2007	1,665
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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.