

Nonmetropolitan



Number of Counties in Region: 54

2012 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	3,015
Primary Care Physicians	1,300
Family Practice	533
General Practice	22
Internal Medicine	388
Obstetrics/Gynecology	148
Pediatrics	209
Other Specialties	1,715
Physicians per 10,000 Population**	13.6
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population **	5.9
Federal Physicians ***	73

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	669
Dental Hygienists	1,030

Nurses

Registered Nurses	16,438
Nurse Practitioners	697
Certified Nurse Midwives	43
Licensed Practical Nurses	4,761

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	230
Occupational Therapists	350
Occupational Therapy Assistants	310
Optometrists	206
Pharmacists	1,760
Physical Therapists	758
Physical Therapist Assistants	639
Physician Assistants	671
Podiatrists	43
Practicing Psychologists	223
Psychological Associates	196
Respiratory Therapists	824

DEMOGRAPHICS

Projected Population 2012

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	1,570,309	361,848	907,018	301,443
Nonwhite	631,212	190,267	366,661	74,284
Total	2,208,796	553,976	1,277,929	376,891
% of Pop.	100.0%	25.1%	57.9%	17.1%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2012	986,324
Employed 2012	878,213
Unemployed 2012	108,111
Unemployment Rate 2012 (%)	11.0
Per Capita Income 2012	\$31,948
Medicaid Eligibles 2012	572,711

HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS

Vital Statistics 2012

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	24,397	Total Pregnancies	27,629	Total Pregnancy Rate	69.1
Resident Deaths	22,576	Teen Pregnancies	3,209	Teen Pregnancy Rate	44.5
% Births <2500 gms (2012)	9.5	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2012

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	7.8	White	5.9	Nonwhite	10.2
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2012 [†]	255,313	General Hospital Beds 2012 ^{††}	4,739	Nursing Facility Beds 2012	11,980
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§ Please refer to page 4 of this book for an explanation of the change in physician numbers.

* Numbers reported include those active within the profession and those newly licensed in 2012 with unknown activity status; inactives are excluded

** Rates are based on 2012 population data.

*** Includes NC licensed federal physicians in the armed services, US Public Health Service, Indian Health Service, and the Department of Veteran 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.