

# Metropolitan



Number of Counties in Region: 40

## ■ 2009 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS\*■

### Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	16,171
Primary Care Physicians	6,648
<i>Family Practice</i>	2,008
<i>General Practice</i>	64
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	2,398
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	829
<i>Pediatrics</i>	1,349
Other Specialties	9,523
Physicians per 10,000 Population	24.5
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	10.1
Federal Physicians **	584

### Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	3,233
Dental Hygienists	3,854

### Nurses

Registered Nurses	70,261
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	2,692
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	180
Licensed Practical Nurses	12,083

### Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	1,040
Occupational Therapists	1,993
Occupational Therapy Assistants	767
Optometrists	732
Pharmacists	6,638
Physical Therapists	3,841
Physical Therapist Assistants	1,504
Physician Assistants	2,719
Podiatrists	198
Practicing Psychologists	1,659
Psychological Associates	706
Respiratory Therapists	2,943

## ■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

### Projected Population 2009

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
<b>White</b>	4,847,161	1,231,370	2,990,195	625,596
<b>Nonwhite</b>	1,757,674	550,074	1,071,897	135,703
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,604,835</b>	<b>1,781,444</b>	<b>4,062,092</b>	<b>761,299</b>
<b>% of Pop.</b>	100.0%	27.0%	61.5%	11.5%

### Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2009	3,204,374
Employed 2009	2,875,413
Unemployed 2009	328,961
Unemployment Rate 2009 (%)	10.3
Per Capita Income 2008	\$37,277
Medicaid Eligibles 2009	1,100,503

## ■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

### Vital Statistics 2008

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	95,452	Total Pregnancies	117,735	Total Pregnancy Rate	83.1
Resident Deaths	48,943	Teen Pregnancies	12,988	Teen Pregnancy Rate	56.9
% Births <2500 gms	8.9	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

### Infant Mortality Rates 2008

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	7.7	White	5.7	Nonwhite	12.7
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### Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2008 <sup>†</sup>	660,469	General Hospital Beds 2009 <sup>++</sup>	14,565	Nursing Facility Beds 2009*	27,925
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\* Numbers reported include those active within the profession and those newly licensed in 2009 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.