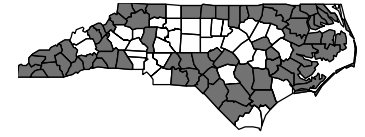


# Nonmetropolitan



Number of Counties in Region: 65

## 2008 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS\*

### Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	3,802
Primary Care Physicians	1,955
Family Practice	773
General Practice	46
Internal Medicine	655
Obstetrics/Gynecology	200
Pediatrics	281
Other Specialties	1,837
Physicians per 10,000 Population	13.5
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	7.0
Federal Physicians **	54

### Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	861
Dental Hygienists	1,304

### Nurses

Registered Nurses	20,677
Nurse Practitioners	681
Certified Nurse Midwives	60
Licensed Practical Nurses	6,130

### Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	308
Occupational Therapists	421
Occupational Therapy Assistants	315
Optometrists	266
Pharmacists	2,106
Physical Therapists	984
Physical Therapist Assistants	734
Physician Assistants	715
Podiatrists	76
Practicing Psychologists	242
Psychological Associates	235
Respiratory Therapists	1,086

## DEMOGRAPHICS

### Projected Population 2008

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	2,076,263	510,626	1,219,387	346,250
Nonwhite	735,264	224,138	434,236	76,890
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,811,527</b>	<b>734,764</b>	<b>1,653,623</b>	<b>423,140</b>
% of Pop.	100.0%	26.1%	58.8%	15.1%

### Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2008	1,305,318
Employed 2008	1,212,251
Unemployed 2008	93,067
Unemployment Rate 2008 (%)	7.1
Per Capita Income 2007	\$28,334
Medicaid Eligibles 2008	499,668

## HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS

### Vital Statistics 2007

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	36,478	Total Pregnancies	42,865	Total Pregnancy Rate	79.5
Resident Deaths	28,997	Teen Pregnancies	6,451	Teen Pregnancy Rate	65.8
% Births <2500 gms	9.6	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

### Infant Mortality Rates 2007

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	9.6	White	7.1	Nonwhite	16.0
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### Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2008 <sup>+</sup>	353,191	General Hospital Beds 2008 <sup>++</sup>	6,209	Nursing Facility Beds 2008	15,261
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\* Numbers reported include those active within the profession and those newly licensed in 2008 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.