



Number of Counties in Region: 17

2012 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	3,492
Primary Care Physicians	1,155
Family Practice	455
General Practice	11
Internal Medicine	344
Obstetrics/Gynecology	124
Pediatrics	221
Other Specialties	2,337
Physicians per 10,000 Population**	22.3
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population **	7.4
Federal Physicians ***	117

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	601
Dental Hygienists	853

Nurses

Registered Nurses	15,952
Nurse Practitioners	696
Certified Nurse Midwives	33
Licensed Practical Nurses	2,804

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	198
Occupational Therapists	408
Occupational Therapy Assistants	259
Optometrists	170
Pharmacists	1,504
Physical Therapists	712
Physical Therapist Assistants	472
Physician Assistants	645
Podiatrists	54
Practicing Psychologists	219
Psychological Associates	144
Respiratory Therapists	705

DEMOGRAPHICS

Projected Population 2012

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	1,308,598	315,897	773,953	218,748
Nonwhite	258,142	84,114	150,969	23,059
Total	1,566,740	400,011	924,922	241,807
% of Pop.	100.0%	25.5%	59.0%	15.4%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2012	760,644
Employed 2012	685,535
Unemployed 2012	75,109
Unemployment Rate 2012 (%)	9.9
Per Capita Income 2012	\$34,731
Medicaid Eligibles 2012	328,878

HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS

Vital Statistics 2012

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	16,802	Total Pregnancies	18,838	Total Pregnancy Rate	61.3
Resident Deaths	15,175	Teen Pregnancies	2,043	Teen Pregnancy Rate	39.1
% Births <2500 gms (2012)	9.0	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2012

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	7.3	White	5.8	Nonwhite	10.5
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2012 [†]	165,810	General Hospital Beds 2012 ^{††}	4,055	Nursing Facility Beds 2012	7,846
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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.