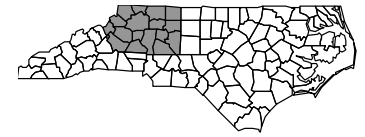


Northwest AHEC



Number of Counties in Region: 17

2007 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	2,998
Primary Care Physicians	1,247
Family Practice	470
General Practice	19
Internal Medicine	401
Obstetrics/Gynecology	138
Pediatrics	219
Other Specialties	1,751
Physicians per 10,000 Population	19.9
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	8.3
Federal Physicians **	89

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	558
Dental Hygienists	774

Nurses

Registered Nurses	14,450
Nurse Practitioners	455
Certified Nurse Midwives	26
Licensed Practical Nurses	2,821

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	167
Occupational Therapists	336
Occupational Therapy Assistants	198
Optometrists	153
Pharmacists	1,297
Physical Therapists	627
Physical Therapist Assistants	372
Physician Assistants	544
Podiatrists	48
Practicing Psychologists	212
Psychological Associates	154
Respiratory Therapists	631

DEMOGRAPHICS

Projected Population 2007

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	1,285,158	325,147	776,821	183,190
Nonwhite	219,668	73,447	127,763	18,458
Total	1,504,826	398,594	904,584	201,648
% of Pop.	100.0%	26.5%	60.1%	13.4%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2007	763,014
Employed 2007	724,486
Unemployed 2007	38,528
Unemployment Rate 2007 (%)	5.0
Per Capita Income 2006	\$30,449
Medicaid Eligibles 2007	273,885

HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS

Vital Statistics 2006

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	19,243	Total Pregnancies	22,761	Total Pregnancy Rate	75.6
Resident Deaths	13,972	Teen Pregnancies	2,989	Teen Pregnancy Rate	59.2
% Births <2500 gms	9.5	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2007

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	8.5	White	6.7	Nonwhite	17.5
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2006 ⁺	174,471	General Hospital Beds 2007 ⁺⁺	4,042	Nursing Facility Beds 2007	8,165
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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.