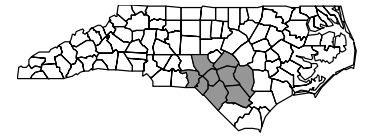


Southern Regional AHEC



Number of Counties in Region: 9

2005 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	1,104
Primary Care Physicians	523
Family Practice	182
General Practice	17
Internal Medicine	172
Obstetrics/Gynecology	63
Pediatrics	89
Other Specialties	581
Physicians per 10,000 Population	13.1
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	6.2
Federal Physicians**	165

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	253
Dental Hygienists	331

Nurses

Registered Nurses	5,666
Nurse Practitioners	166
Certified Nurse Midwives	16
Licensed Practical Nurses	2,069

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	73
Optometrists	77
Pharmacists	516
Physical Therapists	234
Physical Therapist Assistants	184
Physician Assistants	300
Podiatrists	20
Practicing Psychologists	64
Psychological Associates	63
Respiratory Therapists	343

DEMOGRAPHICS

Projected Population 2005

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	499,521	131,576	303,230	64,715
Nonwhite	343,113	115,359	200,648	27,106
Total	842,634	246,935	503,878	91,821
% of Pop.	100.0%	29.3%	59.8%	10.9%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2005	361,733
Employed 2005	339,782
Unemployed 2005	21,951
Unemployment Rate 2005 (%)	6.1
Per Capita Income 2004	\$25,691
Medicaid Eligibles 2004 (unduplicated count)	194,803

HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS

Vital Statistics 2004

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	12,800	Total Pregnancies	16,169	Total Pregnancy Rate	89.2
Resident Deaths	7,062	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	2,261	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	75.3
% Births <2500 gms	9.9				

Infant Mortality Rates 2004

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	11.5	White	7.1	Nonwhite	18.1
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2004 [†]	99,009	General Hospital Beds 2005 ^{††}	1,623	Nursing Facility Beds 2005	3,770
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* Numbers reported include those who are active within the profession and those with unknown activity status who were newly licensed in 2005; inactive 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.