

Southern Regional AHEC



Number of Counties in Region: 9

2009 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	1,208
Primary Care Physicians	588
Family Practice	173
General Practice	13
Internal Medicine	231
Obstetrics/Gynecology	64
Pediatrics	107
Other Specialties	620
Physicians per 10,000 Population	13.7
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	6.7
Federal Physicians **	184

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	267
Dental Hygienists	395

Nurses

Registered Nurses	6,519
Nurse Practitioners	216
Certified Nurse Midwives	22
Licensed Practical Nurses	2,239

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	73
Occupational Therapists	136
Occupational Therapy Assistants	78
Optometrists	87
Pharmacists	585
Physical Therapists	296
Physical Therapist Assistants	211
Physician Assistants	378
Podiatrists	21
Practicing Psychologists	71
Psychological Associates	61
Respiratory Therapists	397

DEMOGRAPHICS

Projected Population 2009

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	519,452	139,288	307,053	73,111
Nonwhite	359,992	116,662	213,283	30,047
Total	879,444	255,950	520,336	103,158
% of Pop.	100.0%	29.1%	59.2%	11.7%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2009	385,053
Employed 2009	345,413
Unemployed 2009	39,640
Unemployment Rate 2009 (%)	10.3
Per Capita Income 2008	\$33,164
Medicaid Eligibles 2009	210,420

HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS

Vital Statistics 2008

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	13,954	Total Pregnancies	16,873	Total Pregnancy Rate	89.9
Resident Deaths	7,351	Teen Pregnancies	2,456	Teen Pregnancy Rate	76.2
% Births <2500 gms	9.7	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2008

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	11.2	White	6.8	Nonwhite	17.7
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2008 ⁺	101,803	General Hospital Beds 2009 ⁺⁺	1,594	Nursing Facility Beds 2009*	3,514
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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.