



Number of Counties in Region: 9

■ 2008 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	4,136
Primary Care Physicians	1,620
<i>Family Practice</i>	408
<i>General Practice</i>	20
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	624
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	200
<i>Pediatrics</i>	368
Other Specialties	2,509
Physicians per 10,000 Population	26.5
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	10.4
Federal Physicians **	163

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	849
Dental Hygienists	890

Nurses

Registered Nurses	16,667
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	636
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	33
Licensed Practical Nurses	2,672

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	249
Occupational Therapists	485
Occupational Therapy Assistants	110
Optometrists	185
Pharmacists	1,951
Physical Therapists	1,003
Physical Therapist Assistants	194
Physician Assistants	678
Podiatrists	40
Practicing Psychologists	577
Psychological Associates	158
Respiratory Therapists	588

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2008

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	1,100,826	295,839	690,618	114,369
Nonwhite	459,602	142,002	281,431	36,169
Total	1,560,428	437,841	972,049	150,538
% of Pop.	100.0%	28.1%	62.3%	9.6%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2008	796,666
Employed 2008	754,839
Unemployed 2008	41,827
Unemployment Rate 2008 (%)	5.3
Per Capita Income 2007	\$37,292
Medicaid Eligibles 2008	176,190

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2007

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	23,800	Total Pregnancies	30,018	Total Pregnancy Rate	89.8
Resident Deaths	9,426	Teen Pregnancies	2,870	Teen Pregnancy Rate	51.4
% Births <2500 gms	8.6	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2007

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	7.6	White	5.0	Nonwhite	13.6
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2008 ⁺	148,398	General Hospital Beds 2008 ⁺⁺	3,097	Nursing Facility Beds 2008	5,293
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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.