

DEHNR Region VI



Number of Counties in Region: 21

■ ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians 2000

Non-Federal Physicians	1,347
Primary Care Physicians	595
Family Practice	182
General Practice	26
Internal Medicine	202
Obstetrics/Gynecology	79
Pediatrics	106
Other Specialties	752
Physicians per 10,000 Population	19.1
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	8.5
Federal Physicians**	24

Dentists and Dental Hygienists 1999[‡]

Dentists	233
Dental Hygienists	238

Nurses 2000

Registered Nurses	6,689
Nurse Practitioners	152
Certified Nurse Midwives	27
Licensed Practical Nurses	1,755

Other Health Professionals 2000

Chiropractors	63
Optometrists	73
Pharmacists	574
Physical Therapists	211
Physical Therapist Assistants	172
Physician Assistants	142
Podiatrists	19
Practicing Psychologists	85
Psychological Associates	122

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Population Estimates 2000

	Total	Ages 0-18	Ages 19-64	Ages 65+
White	441,567	99,977	275,538	66,052
Nonwhite	261,905	83,288	151,448	27,169
Total	703,472	183,265	426,986	93,221
% of Pop.	100.0%	26.1%	60.7%	13.3%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2000	320,702
Employed 2000	304,664
Unemployed 2000	16,038
Unemployment Rate 2000 (%)	5.0
Per Capita Income 1999	\$21,421
Medicaid Eligible 2000 (unduplicated count)	140,412

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 1999

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	9,743	Total Pregnancies	11,821	Total Pregnancy Rate	78.8
Resident Deaths	6,881	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	1,978	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	81.3
% Births <2500 gms.	10.0				

Infant Mortality Rates 1999

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	11.5	White	7.1	Nonwhite	17.9
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Hospital/Facility Data 2000

General Hospital Discharges ⁺	90,433	General Hospital Beds ⁺⁺	1,995	Nursing Facility Beds	3,882
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*Numbers reported include those who are active within the profession and those with unknown activity status; 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.

[‡] 2000 dentist and hygienist data will be released in a separate supplement that will follow this report. See <http://www.shepscenter.unc.edu/hp>.

⁺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.