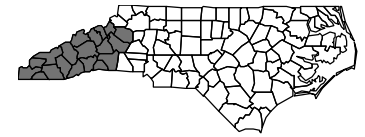


DEHNR Region I



Number of Counties in Region: 19

2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	1,776
Primary Care Physicians	842
Family Practice	383
General Practice	21
Internal Medicine	233
Obstetrics/Gynecology	96
Pediatrics	109
Other Specialties	934
Physicians per 10,000 Population	19.9
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	9.4
Federal Physicians**	58

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	335
Dental Hygienists	465

Nurses

Registered Nurses	8,422
Nurse Practitioners	234
Certified Nurse Midwives	38
Licensed Practical Nurses	2,239

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	148
Optometrists	88
Pharmacists	686
Physical Therapists	425
Physical Therapist Assistants	251
Physician Assistants	232
Podiatrists	19
Practicing Psychologists	186
Psychological Associates	159

DEMOGRAPHICS

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	821,255	190,705	487,841	142,709
Nonwhite	70,079	24,091	39,601	6,387
Total	891,334	214,796	527,442	149,096
% of Pop.	100.0%	24.1%	59.2%	16.7%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	412,492
Employed 2003	387,382
Unemployed 2003	25,110
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	6.1
Per Capita Income 2002	\$24,793
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	156,002

HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	9,893	Total Pregnancies	11,287	Total Pregnancy Rate	60.2
Resident Deaths	9,551	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	1,562	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	59.0
% Births <2500 gms	8.5				

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	6.6	White	5.8	Nonwhite	14.7
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 [†]	100,899	General Hospital Beds 2003 ^{††}	2,366	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	6,732
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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 2002; 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.