

# DEHNR Region VI



Number of Counties in Region: 21

## 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS\*

### Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	1,459
Primary Care Physicians	633
Family Practice	188
General Practice	18
Internal Medicine	229
Obstetrics/Gynecology	80
Pediatrics	118
Other Specialties	826
Physicians per 10,000 Population	20.3
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	8.8
Federal Physicians**	25

### Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	237
Dental Hygienists	253

### Nurses

Registered Nurses	6,926
Nurse Practitioners	208
Certified Nurse Midwives	30
Licensed Practical Nurses	1,685

### Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	68
Optometrists	71
Pharmacists	590
Physical Therapists	240
Physical Therapist Assistants	173
Physician Assistants	181
Podiatrists	20
Practicing Psychologists	82
Psychological Associates	119

## DEMOGRAPHICS

### Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
<b>White</b>	466,146	113,918	283,286	68,942
<b>Nonwhite</b>	253,982	80,615	145,941	27,426
<b>Total</b>	<b>720,128</b>	<b>194,533</b>	<b>429,227</b>	<b>96,368</b>
<b>% of Pop.</b>	100.0%	27.0%	59.6%	13.4%

### Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	353,586
Employed 2003	331,970
Unemployed 2003	21,616
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	6.1
Per Capita Income 2002	\$23,933
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	154,643

## HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS

### Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	9,662	Total Pregnancies	11,818	Total Pregnancy Rate	67.3
Resident Deaths	7,216	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	1,798	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	68.1
% Births <2500 gms	10.3				

### Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	9.3	White	6.1	Nonwhite	14.1
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### Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 <sup>†</sup>	85,903	General Hospital Beds 2003 <sup>††</sup>	1,976	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	3,880
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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.

<sup>†</sup>Counts are for discharges of county residents from acute-care, short-stay hospitals; numbers exclude normal newborns.

<sup>††</sup>Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.