

DEHNR Region VI



Number of Counties in Region: 21

2005 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	1,527
Primary Care Physicians	660
Family Practice	185
General Practice	16
Internal Medicine	242
Obstetrics/Gynecology	87
Pediatrics	130
Other Specialties	867
Physicians per 10,000 Population	20.8
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	9.0
Federal Physicians**	23

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	265
Dental Hygienists	287

Nurses

Registered Nurses	7,238
Nurse Practitioners	219
Certified Nurse Midwives	29
Licensed Practical Nurses	1,696

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	68
Optometrists	69
Pharmacists	575
Physical Therapists	251
Physical Therapist Assistants	185
Physician Assistants	207
Podiatrists	23
Practicing Psychologists	90
Psychological Associates	110
Respiratory Therapists	343

DEMOGRAPHICS

Projected Population 2005

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	475,880	114,994	289,771	71,115
Nonwhite	256,894	79,220	149,998	27,676
Total	732,774	194,214	439,769	98,791
% of Pop.	100.0%	26.5%	60.0%	13.5%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2005	346,952
Employed 2005	327,989
Unemployed 2005	18,963
Unemployment Rate 2005 (%)	5.5
Per Capita Income 2004	\$25,807
Medicaid Eligibles 2004 (unduplicated count)	157,179

HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS

Vital Statistics 2004

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	10,220	Total Pregnancies	12,641	Total Pregnancy Rate	84.6
Resident Deaths	7,110	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	1,810	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	70.3
% Births <2500 gms	4.8				

Infant Mortality Rates 2004

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	3.8	White	2.3	Nonwhite	7.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2004 [†]	91,340	General Hospital Beds 2005 ^{††}	1,990	Nursing Facility Beds 2005	3,878
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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 2005; 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.