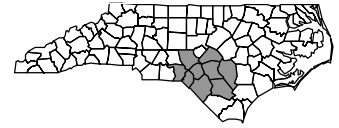


Southern Regional AHEC



Number of Counties in Region: 9

■ ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians 2000

Non-Federal Physicians	1,042
Primary Care Physicians	494
Family Practice	177
General Practice	21
Internal Medicine	149
Obstetrics/Gynecology	70
Pediatrics	77
Other Specialties	548
Physicians per 10,000 Population	13.0
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	6.2
Federal Physicians**	109

Dentists and Dental Hygienists 1999[‡]

Dentists	222
Dental Hygienists	292

Nurses 2000

Registered Nurses	5,513
Nurse Practitioners	125
Certified Nurse Midwives	11
Licensed Practical Nurses	2,148

Other Health Professionals 2000

Chiropractors	68
Optometrists	76
Pharmacists	478
Physical Therapists	194
Physical Therapist Assistants	158
Physician Assistants	211
Podiatrists	18
Practicing Psychologists	53
Psychological Associates	67

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Population Estimates 2000

	Total	Ages 0-18	Ages 19-64	Ages 65+
White	450,433	108,824	280,254	61,355
Nonwhite	350,310	119,710	205,218	25,382
Total	800,743	228,534	485,472	86,737
% of Pop.	100.0%	28.5%	60.6%	10.8%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2000	329,070
Employed 2000	311,192
Unemployed 2000	17,878
Unemployment Rate 2000 (%)	5.4
Per Capita Income 1999	\$22,216
Medicaid Eligible 2000 (unduplicated count)	165,710

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 1999

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	13,100	Total Pregnancies	16,320	Total Pregnancy Rate	97.9
Resident Deaths	6,663	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	2,744	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	100.0
% Births <2500 gms.	9.8				

Infant Mortality Rates 1999

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	12.1	White	7.7	Nonwhite	18.1
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Hospital/Facility Data 2000

General Hospital Discharges ⁺	96,448	General Hospital Beds ⁺⁺	1,649	Nursing Facility Beds	3,640
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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.