

Eastern HSA VI



Number of Counties in Region: 29

■ 2002 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	2,078
Primary Care Physicians	953
Family Practice	278
General Practice	41
Internal Medicine	334
Obstetrics/Gynecology	131
Pediatrics	169
Other Specialties	1,125
Physicians per 10,000 Population	16.3
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	7.5
Federal Physicians **	67

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	415
Dental Hygienists	472

Nurses

Registered Nurses	10,473
Nurse Practitioners	278
Certified Nurse Midwives	36
Licensed Practical Nurses	2,803

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	110
Optometrists	122
Pharmacists	907
Physical Therapists	382
Physical Therapist Assistants	293
Physician Assistants	255
Podiatrists	37
Practicing Psychologists	126
Psychological Associates	171

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2002

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-6	Ages 65+
White	824,454	207,766	500,373	116,315
Nonwhite	447,827	145,777	255,934	46,116
Total	1,272,281	353,543	756,307	162,431
% of Pop.	100.0%	27.8%	59.4%	12.8%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2002	581,767
Employed 2002	539,697
Unemployed 2002	42,070
Unemployment Rate 2002 (%)	7.2
Per Capita Income 2001	\$23,537
Medicaid Eligibles 2001 (unduplicated count)	270,824

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2001

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	18,547	Total Pregnancies	22,471	Total Pregnancy Rate	84.1
Resident Deaths	12,189	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	3,566	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	78.7
% Births <2500 gms	9.5				

Infant Mortality Rates 1997-2001

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	10.7	White	7.5	Nonwhite	15.9
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2001 [†]	151,548	General Hospital Beds 2002 ^{††}	3,227	Nursing Facility Beds 2002	6,558
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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.