



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Northwest

## ■ ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS\* ■

### Physicians 2000

Non-Federal Physicians	221
Primary Care Physicians	91
<i>Family Practice</i>	27
<i>General Practice</i>	0
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	35
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	16
<i>Pediatrics</i>	13
Other Specialties	130
Physicians per 10,000 Population	18.0
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	7.4
Federal Physicians**	0

### Dentists and Dental Hygienists 1999<sup>‡</sup>

Dentists	50
Dental Hygienists	53

### Nurses 2000

Registered Nurses	1,214
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	14
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	1
Licensed Practical Nurses	203

### Other Health Professionals 2000

Chiropractors	19
Optometrists	12
Pharmacists	113
Physical Therapists	46
Physical Therapist Assistant	24
Physician Assistants	18
Podiatrists	3
Practicing Psychologists	11
Psychological Associates	12

## ■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

### Population Estimates 2000

	Total	Ages 0-18	Ages 19-64	Ages 65+
<b>White</b>	100,785	25,208	62,121	13,456
<b>Nonwhite</b>	21,875	7,502	12,679	1,694
<b>Total</b>	<b>122,660</b>	<b>32,710</b>	<b>74,800</b>	<b>15,150</b>
<b>% of Pop.</b>	100.0%	26.7%	61.0%	12.4%

### Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2000	64,528
Employed 2000	62,375
Unemployed 2000	2,153
Unemployment Rate 2000 (%)	3.3
Per Capita Income 1999	\$25,233
Medicaid Eligible 2000 (unduplicated count)	14,997

## ■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

### Vital Statistics 1999

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	1,674	Total Pregnancies	1,976	Total Pregnancy Rate	81.0
Resident Deaths	1,030	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	263	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	75.6
% Births <2500 gms.	9.6				

### Infant Mortality Rates 1999

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	6.6	White	6.6	Nonwhite	6.3
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### Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2000 <sup>+</sup>	18,435	General Hospital Beds 2000 <sup>++</sup>	424	Nursing Facility Beds 2000	563
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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.

<sup>‡</sup> 2000 dentist and hygienist data will be released in a separate supplement that will follow this report. See <http://www.shepscenter.unc.edu/hp>.

<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.