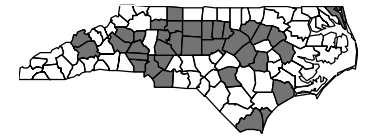


Metropolitan



Number of Counties in Region: 35

■ ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians 2000

| | |
|---|--------|
| Non-Federal Physicians | 12,454 |
| Primary Care Physicians | 4,997 |
| <i>Family Practice</i> | 1,488 |
| <i>General Practice</i> | 122 |
| <i>Internal Medicine</i> | 1,688 |
| <i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i> | 720 |
| <i>Pediatrics</i> | 979 |
| Other Specialties | 7,457 |
| Physicians per 10,000 Population | 22.9 |
| Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population | 9.2 |
| Federal Physicians** | 349 |

Dentists and Dental Hygienists 1999[‡]

| | |
|-------------------|-------|
| Dentists | 2,329 |
| Dental Hygienists | 2,617 |

Nurses 2000

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|---------------------------------|--------|
| Registered Nurses | 53,849 |
| <i>Nurse Practitioners</i> | 1,247 |
| <i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i> | 116 |
| Licensed Practical Nurses | 11,001 |

Other Health Professionals 2000

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|-------------------------------|-------|
| Chiropractors | 787 |
| Optometrists | 561 |
| Pharmacists | 5,214 |
| Physical Therapists | 2,228 |
| Physical Therapist Assistants | 979 |
| Physician Assistants | 1,398 |
| Podiatrists | 161 |
| Practicing Psychologists | 1,264 |
| Psychological Associates | 678 |

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Population Estimates 2000

| | Total | Ages 0-18 | Ages 19-64 | Ages 65+ |
|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|----------------|
| White | 3,943,244 | 927,810 | 2,527,537 | 487,897 |
| Nonwhite | 1,493,812 | 481,345 | 915,540 | 96,927 |
| Total | 5,437,056 | 1,409,155 | 3,443,077 | 584,824 |
| % of Pop. | 100.0% | 25.9% | 63.3% | 10.8% |

Employment and Income Data

| | |
|--|-----------|
| Labor Force 2000 | 2,774,701 |
| Employed 2000 | 2,692,766 |
| Unemployed 2000 | 81,935 |
| Unemployment Rate 2000 (%) | 3.0 |
| Per Capita Income 1999 | \$28,690 |
| Medicaid Eligible 2000 (unduplicated count) | 711,435 |

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 1999

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

| | | | | | |
|---------------------|--------|----------------------------------|---------|-------------------------------------|------|
| Resident Births | 79,093 | Total Pregnancies | 101,484 | Total Pregnancy Rate | 86.5 |
| Resident Deaths | 42,196 | Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19) | 12,921 | Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19) | 76.3 |
| % Births <2500 gms. | 8.8 | | | | |

Infant Mortality Rates 1999

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

| | | | | | |
|-------|-----|-------|-----|----------|------|
| Total | 8.5 | White | 6.2 | Nonwhite | 14.5 |
|-------|-----|-------|-----|----------|------|

Hospital/Facility Data 2000

| | | | | | |
|--|---------|-------------------------------------|--------|-----------------------|--------|
| General Hospital Discharges ⁺ | 614,283 | General Hospital Beds ⁺⁺ | 13,867 | Nursing Facility Beds | 25,908 |
|--|---------|-------------------------------------|--------|-----------------------|--------|

*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.