# **New Hanover**

MSA county designation: Metropolitan AHEC Region: Coastal



### ■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS\*■

Physicians		Nurses	
Non-Federal Physicians	548	Registered Nurses	2,404
Primary Care Physicians	210	Nurse Practitioners Certified Nurse Midwives	75 4
Family Practice General Practice	52 4	Licensed Practical Nurses	507
Internal Medicine Obstetrics/Gynecology	89 39	Other Health Professionals	
Pediatrics  Pediatrics	26	Chiropractors	58
Other Specialties	338	Optometrists	28
Physicians per 10,000 Population	32.0	Pharmacists	184
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	12.3	Physical Therapists Physical Therapist Assistants	135 46
Federal Physicians**	2	Physician Assistants Podiatrists	87 12
Dentists and Dental Hygienists		Practicing Psychologists	55
Dentists	122	Psychological Associates	46
Dental Hygienists	139	, ,	

### **■ DEMOGRAPHICS** ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	139,400	30,991	89,532	18,877
Nonwhite	31,879	10,440	18,442	2,997
Total	171,279	41,431	107,974	21,874
% of Pop.	100.0%	24.2%	63.0%	12.8%

## Employment and Income Data

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Labor Force 2003	90,470
Employed 2003	85,687
Unemployed 2003	4,783
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	5.3
Per Capita Income 2002	\$29,408
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	25,520

### ■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

### Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)					
Resident Births	2,039	Total Pregnancies	2,721	Total Pregnancy Rate	61.7
Resident Deaths	1,417	Teen Pregnancies	320	Teen Pregnancy Rate(ages 15-19)	54.3
% Births <2500 gms	9.9	(ages 15-19)			
Infant Mortality Rates 2002					
(Rates are per 1,000 population)					
Total	3.4	White	1.9	Nonwhite	8.3
Hospital/Facility Data					
General Hospital Discharges 2002 <sup>+</sup>	18,454	General Hospital Beds 2003 <sup>++</sup>	647	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	799

<sup>\*</sup>Numbers reported include those who are active within the profession and those with unknown activity status who were newly licensed in 2003; inactive are excluded.

<sup>\*\*</sup>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>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.