

MSA county designation: Metropolitan AHEC Region: Eastern

■ ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians 2000		Nurses 2000	
Non-Federal Physicians	542	Registered Nurses	2,312
Primary Care Physicians	220	Nurse Practitioners	65
Family Practice	58	Certified Nurse Midwives	13
General Practice	1	Licensed Practical Nurses	257
Internal Medicine	78	Other Health Professionals 2000	
Obstetrics/Gynecology	34		15
Pediatrics	49	Chiropractors	
Other Specialties	322	Optometrists	19
Physicians per 10,000 Population	40.5	Pharmacists	189
, , ,		Physical Therapists	75
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	16.4	Physical Therapist Assistant	36
1		Physician Assistants	52
Federal Physicians**	5	Podiatrists	6
Dentists and Dental Hygienists 1999 [‡]			
		Practicing Psychologists	40
Dentists	51	Psychological Associates	40
Dental Hygienists	41	,	

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Population Estimates 2000

	Total	Ages 0-18	Ages 19-64	Ages 65+
White	83,061	17,942	56,256	8,863
Nonwhite	50,737	16,542	30,230	3,965
Total	133,798	34,484	86,486	12,828
% of Pop.	100.0%	25.8%	64.6%	9.6%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2000	66,073
Employed 2000	62,959
Unemployed 2000	3,114
Unemployment Rate 2000 (%)	4.7
Per Capita Income 1999	\$23,239
Medicaid Eligible 2000 (unduplicated count)	23,745

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 1999

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(Rates are per 1,000 population)					
Resident Births	1,873	Total Pregnancies	2,473	Total Pregnancy Rate	74.1
Resident Deaths	990	Teen Pregnancies(ages 15-19)		Teen Pregnancy Rate(ages 15-19)	60.9
% Births <2500 gms	10.6				
Infant Mortality Rates 1999					
(Rates are per 1,000 population)					
Total	10.7	White	4.9	Nonwhite	17.8
Hospital/Facility Data					
General Hospital Discharges 2000 ⁺	15.946	General Hospital Beds 2000 ⁺⁺	604	Nursing Facility Beds 2000	553

^{*}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.