



Number of Counties in Region: 9

## 2001 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS\*

### Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	3,311
Primary Care Physicians	1,287
Family Practice	324
General Practice	27
Internal Medicine	462
Obstetrics/Gynecology	181
Pediatrics	293
Other Specialties	2,024
Physicians per 10,000 Population	26.2
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	10.2
Federal Physicians**	78

### Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	633
Dental Hygienists	697

### Nurses

Registered Nurses	13,201
Nurse Practitioners	371
Certified Nurse Midwives	17
Licensed Practical Nurses	2,511

### Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	198
Optometrists	134
Pharmacists	1,605
Physical Therapists	640
Physical Therapist Assistants	143
Physician Assistants	393
Podiatrists	35
Practicing Psychologists	449
Psychological Associates	142

## DEMOGRAPHICS

### Population Estimates 2001

	Total	Ages 0-18	Ages 19-64	Ages 65+
White	887,209	218,642	582,157	86,410
Nonwhite	374,690	114,428	233,164	27,098
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,261,899</b>	<b>333,070</b>	<b>815,321</b>	<b>113,508</b>
% of Pop.	100.0%	26.4%	64.6%	9.0%

### Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2001	654,404
Employed 2001	627,808
Unemployed 2001	26,596
Unemployment Rate 2001 (%)	4.1
Per Capita Income 2000	\$31,359
Medicaid Eligibles 2001 (unduplicated count)	164,467

## HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS

### Vital Statistics 2000

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	19,678	Total Pregnancies	25,901	Total Pregnancy Rate	88.6
Resident Deaths	8,393	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	2,682	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	70.4
% Births <2500 gms	8.7				

### Infant Mortality Rates 2000

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	7.6	White	5.0	Nonwhite	13.3
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### Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2000 <sup>†</sup>	131,165	General Hospital Beds 2001 <sup>††</sup>	3,057	Nursing Facility Beds 2001	5,091
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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 2001; 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>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.