AHEC Region: Eastern

≥ 2002 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ≥

MSA county designation: Metropolitan

Physicians		Nurses		
Non-Federal Physicians	181	Registered Nurses	935	
Primary Care Physicians Family Practice General Practice Internal Medicine	82 25 8 28	Nurse Practitioners Certified Nurse Midwives Licensed Practical Nurses Other Health Professionals	26 0 298	
Obstetrics/Gynecology Pediatrics	8 13	Chiropractors	11	
Other Specialties	99	Optometrists	9	
Physicians per 10,000 Population Primary Care Physicians	15.9 7.2	Pharmacists Physical Therapists Physical Therapist Assistants	83 27 25	
per 10,000 Population		Physician Assistants	23	
Federal Physicians** Dentists and Dental Hygienists	7	Podiatrists	2	
	4.4	Practicing Psychologists	17	
Dentists	44	Psychological Associates	29	
Dental Hygienists	60			

∠ DEMOGRAPHICS ∠

Projected Population 2002

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	73,545	19,633	44,285	9,627
Nonwhite	40,625	13,308	23,468	3,849
Total	114,170	32,941	67,753	13,476
% of Pop.	100.0%	28.9%	59.3%	11.8%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2002	51,851
Employed 2002	48,712
Unemployed 2002	3,139
Unemployment Rate 2002 (%)	6.1
Per Capita Income 2001	\$21,738
Medicaid Eligibles 2001 (unduplicated count)	23,839

∠ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ∠

Vital Statistics 2001

(Rates are per 1,000 population)					
Resident Births	1,738	Total Pregnancies	2,137	Total Pregnancy Rate	87.9
Resident Deaths	1,029	Teen Pregnancies	366	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	90.7
% Births <2500 gms	9.0	(ages 15-19)			
Infant Mortality Rates 2001					
(Rates are per 1,000 population)					
Total	9.8	White	4.5	Nonwhite	_ 19.4
Hospital/Facility Data					
General Hospital Discharges 2001 +	13.349	General Hospital Beds 2002 ⁺⁺	255	Nursing Facility Beds 2002	450

^{*}Numbers reported include those who are active within the profession and those with unknown activity status who were newly licensed in 2002; inactive are excluded.

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^{**} Includes NC Medical Board licensed federal physicians in the armed services, US Public Health Service, Indian Health Service, and the Department of Veterans Affairs.

⁺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.