

Bladen



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Southern Regional

■ ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians 2000

Non-Federal Physicians	22
Primary Care Physicians	16
<i>Family Practice</i>	7
<i>General Practice</i>	2
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	7
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	0
<i>Pediatrics</i>	0
Other Specialties	6
Physicians per 10,000 Population	6.8
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	5.0
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists 1999[‡]

Dentists	5
Dental Hygienists	6

Nurses 2000

Registered Nurses	175
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	6
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	83

Other Health Professionals 2000

Chiropractors	2
Optometrists	2
Pharmacists	13
Physical Therapists	3
Physical Therapist Assistant	4
Physician Assistants	6
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	1
Psychological Associates	1

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Population Estimates 2000

	Total	Ages 0-18	Ages 19-64	Ages 65+
White	18,469	4,031	11,441	2,997
Nonwhite	13,809	4,341	7,867	1,601
Total	32,278	8,372	19,308	4,598
% of Pop.	100.0%	25.9%	59.8%	14.2%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2000	19,544
Employed 2000	18,418
Unemployed 2000	1,126
Unemployment Rate 2000 (%)	5.8
Per Capita Income 1999	\$19,656
Medicaid Eligible 2000 (unduplicated count)	9,327

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 1999

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	460	Total Pregnancies	541	Total Pregnancy Rate	86.4
Resident Deaths	404	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	87	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	80.2
% Births <2500 gms.	11.3				

Infant Mortality Rates 1999

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	13.0	White	7.7	Nonwhite	20.1
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2000 ⁺	4,393	General Hospital Beds 2000 ⁺⁺	48	Nursing Facility Beds 2000	194
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*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.