



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Northwest

■ ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians 2000

Non-Federal Physicians	75
Primary Care Physicians	43
<i>Family Practice</i>	27
<i>General Practice</i>	2
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	6
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	5
<i>Pediatrics</i>	3
Other Specialties	32
Physicians per 10,000 Population	9.7
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	5.6
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists 1999[‡]

Dentists	18
Dental Hygienists	16

Nurses 2000

Registered Nurses	410
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	11
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	4
Licensed Practical Nurses	122

Other Health Professionals 2000

Chiropractors	3
Optometrists	4
Pharmacists	41
Physical Therapists	14
Physical Therapist Assistant	20
Physician Assistants	9
Podiatrists	2
Practicing Psychologists	2
Psychological Associates	6

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Population Estimates 2000

	Total	Ages 0-18	Ages 19-64	Ages 65+
White	71,017	16,916	44,386	9,715
Nonwhite	6,398	2,113	3,741	544
Total	77,415	19,029	48,127	10,259
% of Pop.	100.0%	24.6%	62.2%	13.3%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2000	40,326
Employed 2000	39,377
Unemployed 2000	949
Unemployment Rate 2000 (%)	2.4
Per Capita Income 1999	\$23,497
Medicaid Eligible 2000 (unduplicated count)	11,697

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 1999

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	1,040	Total Pregnancies	1,173	Total Pregnancy Rate	75.6
Resident Deaths	743	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	201	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	94.9
% Births <2500 gms.	9.3				

Infant Mortality Rates 1999

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	10.6	White	9.3	Nonwhite	27.4
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2000 ⁺	10,201	General Hospital Beds 2000 ⁺⁺	110	Nursing Facility Beds 2000	410
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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.