



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Eastern

■ ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians 2000

Non-Federal Physicians	34
Primary Care Physicians	20
<i>Family Practice</i>	12
<i>General Practice</i>	1
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	3
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	4
<i>Pediatrics</i>	0
Other Specialties	14
Physicians per 10,000 Population	11.3
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	6.7
Federal Physicians**	1

Dentists and Dental Hygienists 1999[‡]

Dentists	11
Dental Hygienists	9

Nurses 2000

Registered Nurses	176
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	7
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	1
Licensed Practical Nurses	50

Other Health Professionals 2000

Chiropractors	4
Optometrists	4
Pharmacists	22
Physical Therapists	9
Physical Therapist Assistant	1
Physician Assistants	6
Podiatrists	2
Practicing Psychologists	0
Psychological Associates	2

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Population Estimates 2000

	Total	Ages 0-18	Ages 19-64	Ages 65+
White	28,393	6,195	18,166	4,032
Nonwhite	1,574	517	965	92
Total	29,967	6,712	19,131	4,124
% of Pop.	100.0%	22.4%	63.8%	13.8%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2000	17,890
Employed 2000	16,973
Unemployed 2000	917
Unemployment Rate 2000 (%)	5.1
Per Capita Income 1999	\$24,566
Medicaid Eligible 2000 (unduplicated count)	2,813

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 1999

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	318	Total Pregnancies	391	Total Pregnancy Rate	60.5
Resident Deaths	223	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	62	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	73.4
% Births <2500 gms.	6.6				

Infant Mortality Rates 1999

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	6.3	White	6.6	Nonwhite	0.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2000 ⁺	1,582	General Hospital Beds 2000 ⁺⁺	19	Nursing Facility Beds 2000	126
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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.