

DEHNR Region I



Number of Counties in Region: 19

■ 2002 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	1,709
Primary Care Physicians	798
<i>Family Practice</i>	376
<i>General Practice</i>	22
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	218
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	87
<i>Pediatrics</i>	95
Other Specialties	911
Physicians per 10,000 Population	19.4
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	9.1
Federal Physicians **	55

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	330
Dental Hygienists	428

Nurses

Registered Nurses	8,349
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	207
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	35
Licensed Practical Nurses	2,268

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	145
Optometrists	85
Pharmacists	669
Physical Therapists	402
Physical Therapist Assistants	256
Physician Assistants	221
Podiatrists	19
Practicing Psychologists	181
Psychological Associates	160

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2002

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-6	Ages 65+
White	810,236	189,276	480,200	140,760
Nonwhite	68,527	23,688	38,514	6,325
Total	878,763	212,964	518,714	147,085
% of Pop.	100.0%	24.2%	59.0%	16.7%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2002	412,554
Employed 2002	384,751
Unemployed 2002	27,803
Unemployment Rate 2002 (%)	6.7
Per Capita Income 2001	\$24,228
Medicaid Eligibles 2001 (unduplicated count)	152,983

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2001

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	9,999	Total Pregnancies	11,577	Total Pregnancy Rate	69.3
Resident Deaths	9,417	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	1,668	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	64.2
% Births <2500 gms	8.6				

Infant Mortality Rates 1997-2001

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	7.6	White	6.9	Nonwhite	14.8
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2001 [†]	101,881	General Hospital Beds 2002 ^{††}	2,370	Nursing Facility Beds 2002	6,572
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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 2002; 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.

[†]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.