

DEHNR Region VI



Number of Counties in Region: 21

2002 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	1,436
Primary Care Physicians	638
<i>Family Practice</i>	181
<i>General Practice</i>	21
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	232
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	83
<i>Pediatrics</i>	121
Other Specialties	798
Physicians per 10,000 Population	20.1
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	8.9
Federal Physicians **	29

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	245
Dental Hygienists	254

Nurses

Registered Nurses	6,832
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	188
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	30
Licensed Practical Nurses	1,711

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	61
Optometrists	67
Pharmacists	579
Physical Therapists	228
Physical Therapist Assistants	171
Physician Assistants	170
Podiatrists	22
Practicing Psychologists	85
Psychological Associates	123

DEMOGRAPHICS

Projected Population 2002

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-6	Ages 65+
White	462,039	113,883	280,174	67,982
Nonwhite	251,279	80,880	143,140	27,259
Total	713,318	194,763	423,314	95,241
% of Pop.	100.0%	27.3%	59.3%	13.4%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2002	339,271
Employed 2002	317,508
Unemployed 2002	21,763
Unemployment Rate 2002 (%)	6.4
Per Capita Income 2001	\$23,294
Medicaid Eligibles 2001 (unduplicated count)	152,244

HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS

Vital Statistics 2001

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	9,870	Total Pregnancies	12,066	Total Pregnancy Rate	80.0
Resident Deaths	7,058	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	1,901	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	72.9
% Births <2500 gms	9.9				

Infant Mortality Rates 1997-2001

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	11.3	White	8.1	Nonwhite	16.4
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2001 [†]	83,634	General Hospital Beds 2002 ^{††}	1,995	Nursing Facility Beds 2002	3,858
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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.