

DEHNR Region VII



Number of Counties in Region: 7

2002 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	930
Primary Care Physicians	409
Family Practice	117
General Practice	19
Internal Medicine	155
Obstetrics/Gynecology	65
Pediatrics	53
Other Specialties	521
Physicians per 10,000 Population	15.4
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	6.8
Federal Physicians **	41

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	241
Dental Hygienists	331

Nurses

Registered Nurses	4,805
Nurse Practitioners	147
Certified Nurse Midwives	8
Licensed Practical Nurses	1,355

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	109
Optometrists	66
Pharmacists	458
Physical Therapists	233
Physical Therapist Assistants	104
Physician Assistants	156
Podiatrists	24
Practicing Psychologists	82
Psychological Associates	65

DEMOGRAPHICS

Projected Population 2002

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-6	Ages 65+
White	476,947	117,388	295,720	63,839
Nonwhite	128,524	43,001	73,571	11,952
Total	605,471	160,389	369,291	75,791
% of Pop.	100.0%	26.5%	61.0%	12.5%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2002	268,398
Employed 2002	250,122
Unemployed 2002	18,276
Unemployment Rate 2002 (%)	6.8
Per Capita Income 2001	\$24,795
Medicaid Eligibles 2001 (unduplicated count)	104,723

HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS

Vital Statistics 2001

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	8,732	Total Pregnancies	10,619	Total Pregnancy Rate	85.1
Resident Deaths	5,195	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	1,477	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	73.2
% Births <2500 gms	8.9				

Infant Mortality Rates 1997-2001

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	8.6	White	6.6	Nonwhite	15.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2001 [†]	67,946	General Hospital Beds 2002 ^{††}	1,263	Nursing Facility Beds 2002	2,829
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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.