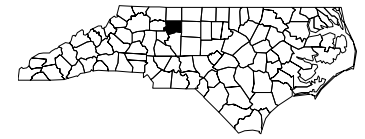


Forsyth



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Northwest AHEC

■ 2001 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	1,201
Primary Care Physicians	408
<i>Family Practice</i>	102
<i>General Practice</i>	7
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	156
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	51
<i>Pediatrics</i>	92
Other Specialties	793
Physicians per 10,000 Population	38.7
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	13.1
Federal Physicians**	12

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	170
Dental Hygienists	211

Nurses

Registered Nurses	4,645
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	88
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	6
Licensed Practical Nurses	1,153

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	34
Optometrists	39
Pharmacists	377
Physical Therapists	193
Physical Therapist Assistants	44
Physician Assistants	207
Podiatrists	21
Practicing Psychologists	88
Psychological Associates	30

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Population Estimates 2001

	Total	Ages 0-18	Ages 19-64	Ages 65+
White	223,359	51,964	139,354	32,041
Nonwhite	86,972	27,198	52,720	7,054
Total	310,331	79,162	192,074	39,095
% of Pop.	100.0%	25.5%	61.9%	12.6%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2001	150,509
Employed 2001	144,240
Unemployed 2001	6,269
Unemployment Rate 2001 (%)	4.2
Per Capita Income 2000	\$32,291
Medicaid Eligibles 2001 <i>(unduplicated count)</i>	41,879

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2000

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	4,588	Total Pregnancies	5,828	Total Pregnancy Rate	84.1
Resident Deaths	2,772	Teen Pregnancies	738	Teen Pregnancy Rate	75.6
% Births <2500 gms	9.5	<i>(ages 15-19)</i>		<i>(ages 15-19)</i>	

Infant Mortality Rates 2000

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	10.5	White	4.9	Nonwhite	24.8
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2000 [†]	38,410	General Hospital Beds 2001 ^{††}	1,513	Nursing Facility Beds 2001	1,757
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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 2001; 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.