

Mecklenburg



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Charlotte

■ 2002 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	1,773
Primary Care Physicians	691
<i>Family Practice</i>	164
<i>General Practice</i>	4
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	263
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	117
<i>Pediatrics</i>	143
Other Specialties	1,082
Physicians per 10,000 Population	24.1
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	9.4
Federal Physicians **	8

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	453
Dental Hygienists	537

Nurses

Registered Nurses	8,546
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	178
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	14
Licensed Practical Nurses	1,091

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	169
Optometrists	82
Pharmacists	724
Physical Therapists	370
Physical Therapist Assistants	181
Physician Assistants	197
Podiatrists	25
Practicing Psychologists	174
Psychological Associates	86

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2002

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-6	Ages 65+
White	491,653	126,554	316,510	48,589
Nonwhite	242,737	82,342	147,399	12,996
Total	734,390	208,896	463,909	61,585
% of Pop.	100.0%	28.4%	63.2%	8.4%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2002	412,560
Employed 2002	388,111
Unemployed 2002	24,449
Unemployment Rate 2002 (%)	5.9
Per Capita Income 2001	\$38,404
Medicaid Eligibles 2001 (unduplicated count)	98,401

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2001

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	11,957	Total Pregnancies	15,686	Total Pregnancy Rate	90.5
Resident Deaths	4,473	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	1,504	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	67.2
% Births <2500 gms	8.5				

Infant Mortality Rates 2001

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	7.9	White	3.9	Nonwhite	15.5
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2001 [†]	64,944	General Hospital Beds 2002 ^{††}	2,029	Nursing Facility Beds 2002	3,088
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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.