

New Hanover



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Coastal

■ 2002 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	530
Primary Care Physicians	200
<i>Family Practice</i>	49
<i>General Practice</i>	4
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	87
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	34
<i>Pediatrics</i>	26
Other Specialties	330
Physicians per 10,000 Population	31.6
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	11.9
Federal Physicians **	3

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	115
Dental Hygienists	138

Nurses

Registered Nurses	2,306
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	71
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	3
Licensed Practical Nurses	464

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	60
Optometrists	26
Pharmacists	191
Physical Therapists	130
Physical Therapist Assistants	54
Physician Assistants	74
Podiatrists	12
Practicing Psychologists	53
Psychological Associates	45

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2002

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-6	Ages 65+
White	136,178	30,331	87,447	18,400
Nonwhite	31,364	10,330	18,051	2,983
Total	167,542	40,661	105,498	21,383
% of Pop.	100.0%	24.3%	63.0%	12.8%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2002	88,013
Employed 2002	82,494
Unemployed 2002	5,519
Unemployment Rate 2002 (%)	6.3
Per Capita Income 2001	\$28,969
Medicaid Eligibles 2001 (unduplicated count)	24,365

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2001

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	2,037	Total Pregnancies	2,717	Total Pregnancy Rate	72.6
Resident Deaths	1,468	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	288	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	49.7
% Births <2500 gms	9.1				

Infant Mortality Rates 2001

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	7.4	White	6.5	Nonwhite	9.9
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2001 [†]	17,816	General Hospital Beds 2002 ^{††}	647	Nursing Facility Beds 2002	799
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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.