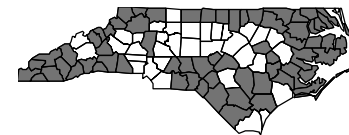


# Nonmetropolitan



Number of Counties in Region: 65

## 2001 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS\*

### Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	3,538
Primary Care Physicians	1,759
Family Practice	703
General Practice	66
Internal Medicine	549
Obstetrics/Gynecology	200
Pediatrics	241
Other Specialties	1,779
Physicians per 10,000 Population	13.4
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	6.7
Federal Physicians**	48

### Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	765
Dental Hygienists	931

### Nurses

Registered Nurses	19,318
Nurse Practitioners	459
Certified Nurse Midwives	54
Licensed Practical Nurses	6,509

### Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	282
Optometrists	262
Pharmacists	1,761
Physical Therapists	722
Physical Therapist Assistants	576
Physician Assistants	509
Podiatrists	61
Practicing Psychologists	216
Psychological Associates	249

## DEMOGRAPHICS

### Population Estimates 2001

	Total	Ages 0-18	Ages 19-64	Ages 65+
White	1,944,803	449,043	1,180,420	315,340
Nonwhite	695,881	218,322	404,614	72,945
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,640,684</b>	<b>667,365</b>	<b>1,585,034</b>	<b>388,285</b>
% of Pop.	100.0%	25.3%	60.0%	14.7%

### Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2001	1,204,022
Employed 2001	1,116,845
Unemployed 2001	87,177
Unemployment Rate 2001 (%)	7.2
Per Capita Income 2000	\$22,386
Medicaid Eligibles 2001 (unduplicated count)	557,076

## HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS

### Vital Statistics 2000

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	35,871	Total Pregnancies	41,824	Total Pregnancy Rate	79.1
Resident Deaths	28,107	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	6,905	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	82.5
% Births <2500 gms	9.1				

### Infant Mortality Rates 2000

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	8.3	White	5.6	Nonwhite	14.6
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### Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2000 <sup>†</sup>	355,577	General Hospital Beds 2001 <sup>††</sup>	6,487	Nursing Facility Beds 2001	16,456
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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.

<sup>†</sup>Counts are for discharges of county residents from acute-care, short-stay hospitals; numbers exclude normal newborns.

<sup>††</sup>Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.