



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Eastern AHEC

**■ 2001 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS\* ■**

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	577
Primary Care Physicians	222
<i>Family Practice</i>	56
<i>General Practice</i>	0
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	77
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	37
<i>Pediatrics</i>	52
Other Specialties	355
Physicians per 10,000 Population	42.7
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	16.4
Federal Physicians**	3

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	51
Dental Hygienists	42

Nurses

Registered Nurses	2,369
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	67
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	14
Licensed Practical Nurses	253

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	15
Optometrists	18
Pharmacists	181
Physical Therapists	84
Physical Therapist Assistants	35
Physician Assistants	53
Podiatrists	6
Practicing Psychologists	44
Psychological Associates	34

**■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■**

Population Estimates 2001

	Total	Ages 0-18	Ages 19-64	Ages 65+
<b>White</b>	86,466	19,311	58,165	8,990
<b>Nonwhite</b>	48,532	15,607	28,961	3,964
<b>Total</b>	<b>134,998</b>	<b>34,918</b>	<b>87,126</b>	<b>12,954</b>
<b>% of Pop.</b>	100.0%	25.9%	64.5%	9.6%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2001	69,128
Employed 2001	64,944
Unemployed 2001	4,184
Unemployment Rate 2001 (%)	6.0
Per Capita Income 2000	\$24,599
Medicaid Eligibles 2001 <i>(unduplicated count)</i>	25,689

**■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■**

Vital Statistics 2000

*(Rates are per 1,000 population)*

Resident Births . . . . .	2,027	Total Pregnancies . . . . .	2,607	Total Pregnancy Rate . . . . .	72.8
Resident Deaths . . . . .	1,061	Teen Pregnancies . . . . .	382	Teen Pregnancy Rate . . . . .	59.0
% Births <2500 gms . . . . .	11.6	<i>(ages 15-19)</i>		<i>(ages 15-19)</i>	

Infant Mortality Rates 2000

*(Rates are per 1,000 population)*

Total . . . . .	7.9	White . . . . .	4.3	Nonwhite . . . . .	12.7
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2000 <sup>†</sup> . . . . .	15,946	General Hospital Beds 2001 <sup>††</sup> . . . . .	604	Nursing Facility Beds 2001 . . . . .	553
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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.