



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Eastern

■ **2002 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS\*** ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	590
Primary Care Physicians	233
<i>Family Practice</i>	56
<i>General Practice</i>	0
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	84
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	37
<i>Pediatrics</i>	56
Other Specialties	357
Physicians per 10,000 Population	43.0
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	17.0
Federal Physicians **	1

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	52
Dental Hygienists	45

Nurses

Registered Nurses	2,456
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	74
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	12
Licensed Practical Nurses	262

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	13
Optometrists	16
Pharmacists	192
Physical Therapists	84
Physical Therapist Assistants	32
Physician Assistants	58
Podiatrists	6
Practicing Psychologists	43
Psychological Associates	35

■ **DEMOGRAPHICS** ■

Projected Population 2002

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-6	Ages 65+
<b>White</b>	87,756	22,757	55,851	9,148
<b>Nonwhite</b>	49,504	16,942	28,546	4,016
<b>Total</b>	<b>137,260</b>	<b>39,699</b>	<b>84,397</b>	<b>13,164</b>
<b>% of Pop.</b>	100.0%	28.9%	61.5%	9.6%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2002	72,507
Employed 2002	67,750
Unemployed 2002	4,757
Unemployment Rate 2002 (%)	6.6
Per Capita Income 2001	\$24,854
Medicaid Eligibles 2001 <i>(unduplicated count)</i>	26,843

■ **HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS** ■

Vital Statistics 2001

*(Rates are per 1,000 population)*

Resident Births	1,990	Total Pregnancies	2,564	Total Pregnancy Rate	72.1
Resident Deaths	1,019	Teen Pregnancies <i>(ages 15-19)</i>	357	Teen Pregnancy Rate <i>(ages 15-19)</i>	54.1
% Births <2500 gms	9.4				

Infant Mortality Rates 2001

*(Rates are per 1,000 population)*

Total	15.6	White	7.3	Nonwhite	25.8
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2001 <sup>†</sup>	13,642	General Hospital Beds 2002 <sup>††</sup>	604	Nursing Facility Beds 2002	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 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.

<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.