

State Rural Health Snapshots: Profiles and Comparisons

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In this chapter, we provide a detailed overview of the health workforce in each state, with an emphasis on rural counties. These data, presented in the form of two-page state profiles, offer a unique opportunity to make quick comparisons of the numbers of health care professionals in rural and urban areas of each state and to assess trends over the past decade. One of the key features of the state profiles is the way they divide county-level data into four different types of rurality. As we note in Chapter 3, examining differences *between* rural areas is essential to understanding rural health care delivery. Large variation in community size and isolation often create significant differences in the nature and severity of rural health workforce problems, even within individual states.

USING THIS CHAPTER

The two-page state profiles contain summaries of key statistics relevant to the health workforce for each state and for the nation as a whole. The first page of each state profile gives a rural-urban comparison of health workforce and selected demographic data. It shows the amount that the indicators have changed since 1990 and how each state compares to others. The second page of each state profile focuses on intra-rural trends and comparisons, presenting data on numbers of health care providers, rural demography, and available health services. Notes on data sources and definitions can be found on page 155.

STATE PROFILE CATEGORIES

GEOGRAPHIC DISTINCTIONS

The rural classification used in the state profiles is a modified version of the county-based Urban Influence Codes (UICs). The UICs were chosen because they highlight two dimensions of rurality that are particularly relevant to the delivery of rural health services—isolation from metropolitan areas and the size of the largest city within a rural county (see Chapter 3). The UICs classify all U.S. counties into nine categories. In the workforce profiles the nine categories have been collapsed into five categories as follows.

URBAN COUNTIES

- All metropolitan counties, as defined by the Office of Management and Budget based on 1990 census data. (UIC categories 1 and 2).

RURAL COUNTIES

- Non-metropolitan counties bordering metropolitan counties that contain a city with greater than 10,000 population. (UIC categories 3 and 5)
- Non-metropolitan counties bordering metropolitan counties that do not contain city greater than 10,000 population. (UIC category 7)
- Non-metropolitan counties that do not border metropolitan counties that contain a city with greater than 10,000 population. (UIC categories 4 and 6)
- Non-metropolitan counties that do not border metropolitan counties and do not contain a city with greater than 10,000 population. (UIC categories 8 and 9).

As we noted in Chapter 3, county-based definitions are commonly used in health services research because reliable data are available at this scale; however, they entail some geographic generalization. The rural typology used here also represents a compromise between specificity and generalizability. Collapsing the nine UIC categories into five involves some potential loss of detail, but allows us to highlight important intra-rural differences in workforce and health care resources and context.

DEMOGRAPHIC AND OTHER CONTEXTUAL INFORMATION

To provide context to the health professionals data, the demographic data included in these state profiles focus on key differences between urban and rural areas (differences that also manifest themselves between more rural and less rural areas) as discussed in Chapter 2. Specific variables included are:

- Total population
- Percent of population 65 years and older
- Percent of population 15 years and younger
- Per capita income
- Percent of families with incomes below the federal poverty level
- Percent of population living in “persistent poverty” counties (provided for rural counties only).



To give some context to the health system in rural areas, where access to care is often lower than in urban areas, the state profiles include:

- Number of short-term general hospitals
- Number of short-term general hospital beds per 100,000 persons.

HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS

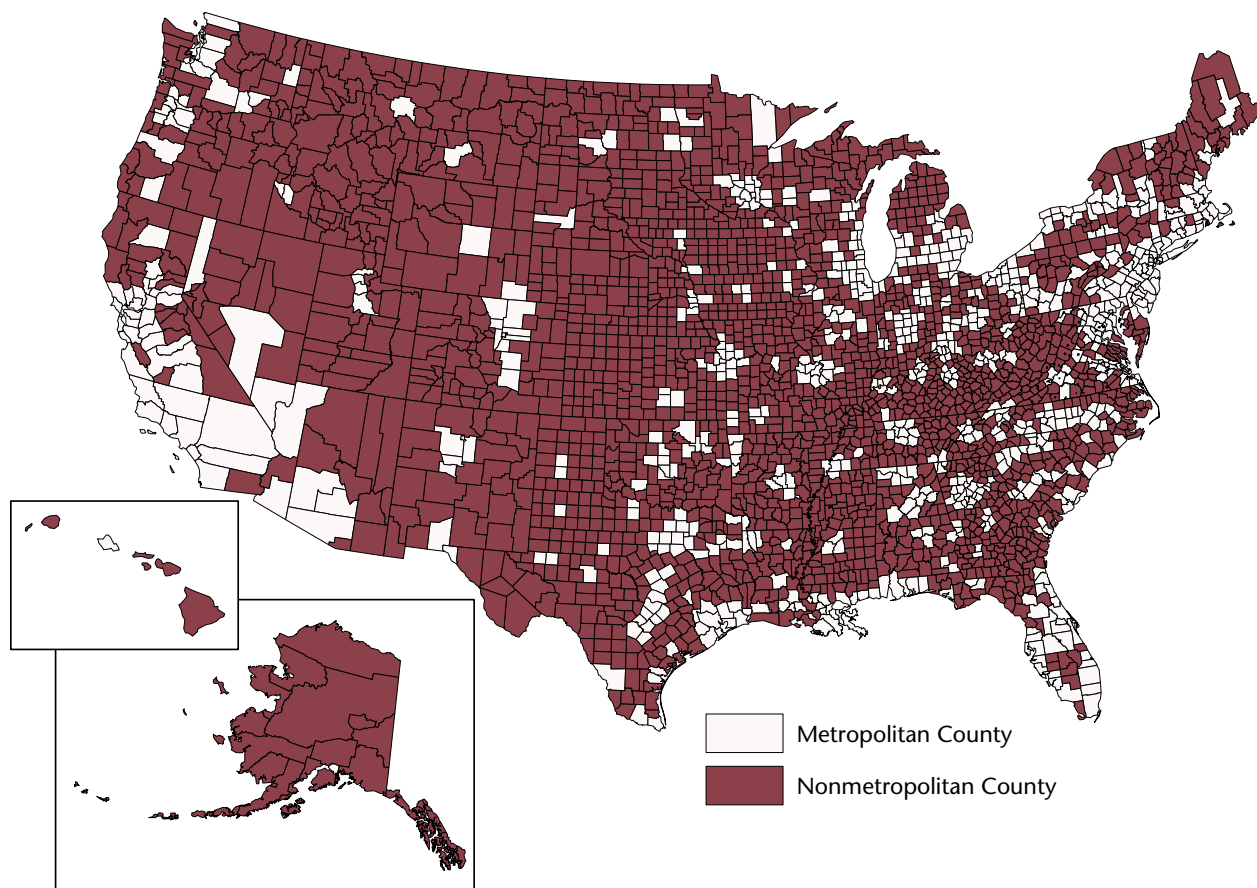
The categories of health professionals included in the state profiles represent a cross-section of providers. The selection of provider types was constrained by the limited availability of national county-level data for the period 1990-2000. Therefore, some of the provider types mentioned elsewhere in this monograph, such as nurse practitioners (NPs), are not included in the tables.

Table 5-1 defines the provider types included in the state profiles.

Table 5-1: Provider Types Included in State Profiles

Provider type	Definition	Relevance
All physicians	Patient care allopathic (M.D.) and osteopathic (D.O.) physicians. Excludes federal physicians and inactive providers. The D.O. data include residents, but the M.D. data do not.	Physicians are distributed unevenly around the country. The American Medical Association maintains detailed data about them, so we can see how characteristics such as specialty influence where they practice.
Generalist physicians	General practitioners, family practitioners, internal medicine specialists, pediatricians, and osteopathic manipulative medicine specialists	Generalist or primary care physicians are more evenly distributed relative to the population around the county.
Medical specialist physicians	Physicians whose primary specialty is one of the following: allergy and immunology, cardiovascular disease, dermatology, gastroenterology, hospitalist, internal medicine subspecialties (except internal medicine/family practice and internal medicine/pediatrics), pediatric subspecialties, and pulmonary disease	Specialists are much more likely to be located in urban areas and larger rural cities/towns than in smaller or remote rural areas.
Surgical specialist physicians	Physicians whose primary specialty is one of the following: colon/rectal surgery, general surgery, neurological surgery, obstetrics-gynecology, obstetrics-gynecology subspecialties, ophthalmology, orthopedic surgery, otolaryngology, plastic surgery, thoracic surgery, and urology	Surgical specialists are generally even more centralized in urban areas than generalists and medical specialists.
General surgeons	Physicians whose primary specialty is general surgery	General surgeons are critical to the rural health care system.
Obstetrician-gynecologists (non subspecialty)	Physicians whose primary specialty is obstetrics/gynecology	Obstetrician-gynecologists provide surgical and primary care services to women.
Other surgeons	Surgical specialists excluding obstetrician-gynecologists and general surgeons.	The remaining surgeons are included for completeness. Some of these specialties are often located in larger rural cities and towns.
Other specialist physicians	Physicians whose primary specialty is one of the following: aerospace medicine, anesthesiology, child psychiatry, diagnostic, emergency medicine, forensic pathology, general preventive medicine and public health, medical genetics, neurology, nuclear medicine, occupational medicine, psychiatry, pathology—atomic/clinical, physical medicine/rehabilitation, radiology, Radiation oncology, other specialties, and unspecified.	This is a mixed category whose specialties range from being more to less centralized in cities and is included for the sake of completeness.
Dentists	Active general and pediatric dentists engaged in private practice	Poor oral health and shortages of rural dentists are major health status concerns.
Physician assistants (PAs)	Physician assistants are trained to work in consort with a supervising physician.	PAs, like other non-physician providers, provide a substantial amount of care in medically underserved areas.
Registered nurses (RNs)	Separate categories include full-time and part-time RNs.	Like PAs and other non-physicians providers, RNs provide a substantial amount of care in medically underserved areas.

UNITED STATES



2000 Demography

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990
Total population	224,690,521	56,157,433	280,847,954	13.2
% population > 65	11.9	14.6	12.4	-1.0
% population < 15	21.6	20.7	21.4	-0.6
Per capita income (\$)	31,175	21,780	29,296	14.5
% families in poverty	8.7	10.9	9.2	-8.3

Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in 2000

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990
Physicians	225	119	204	22
Generalist physicians	78	57	74	23
Medical specialists	39	12	34	43
Surgical specialists	49	26	45	6
General surgeons	10	7	9	-12
OB-GYNs	12	6	11	12
Other surgeons	28	12	25	11
Other specialists	65	27	57	33
Dentists	43	29	40	-6
PAs	14	13	14	36
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	281	213	268	-2
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	155	109	146	15

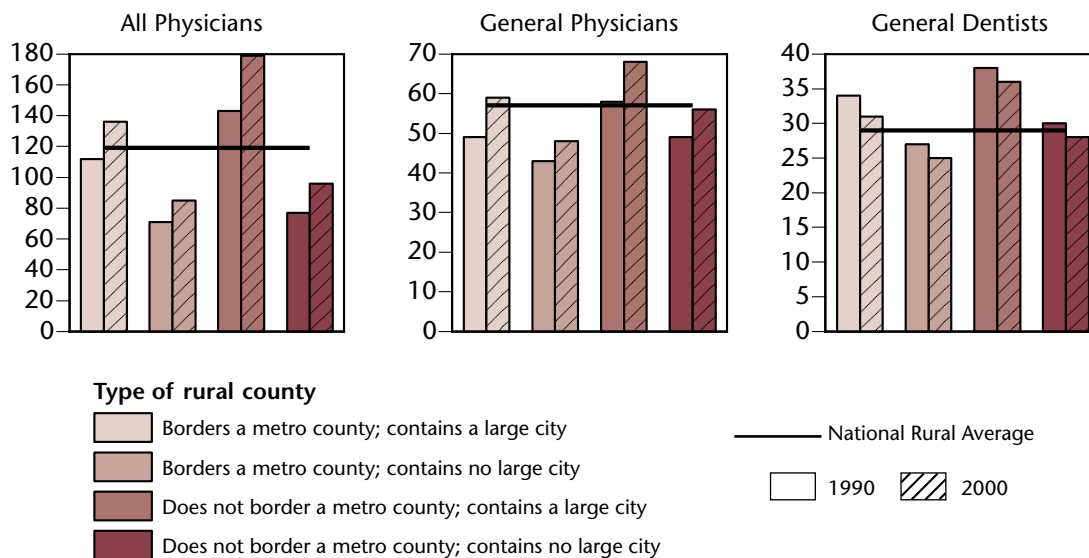
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UNITED STATES

Health Care Facilities and Access in Rural Counties in 2000

	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	251	749	234	1070
Population	14,764,738	16,691,464	10,739,004	13,962,227
Short-term general hospitals	376	616	338	898
Beds/100,000 persons	304	245	401	369
% pop. in persistent poverty counties	10.8	19.5	14.9	28.1
Per capita income (\$)	22,904	21,016	22,855	20,679
% families in poverty	9.6	10.6	11.0	12.6

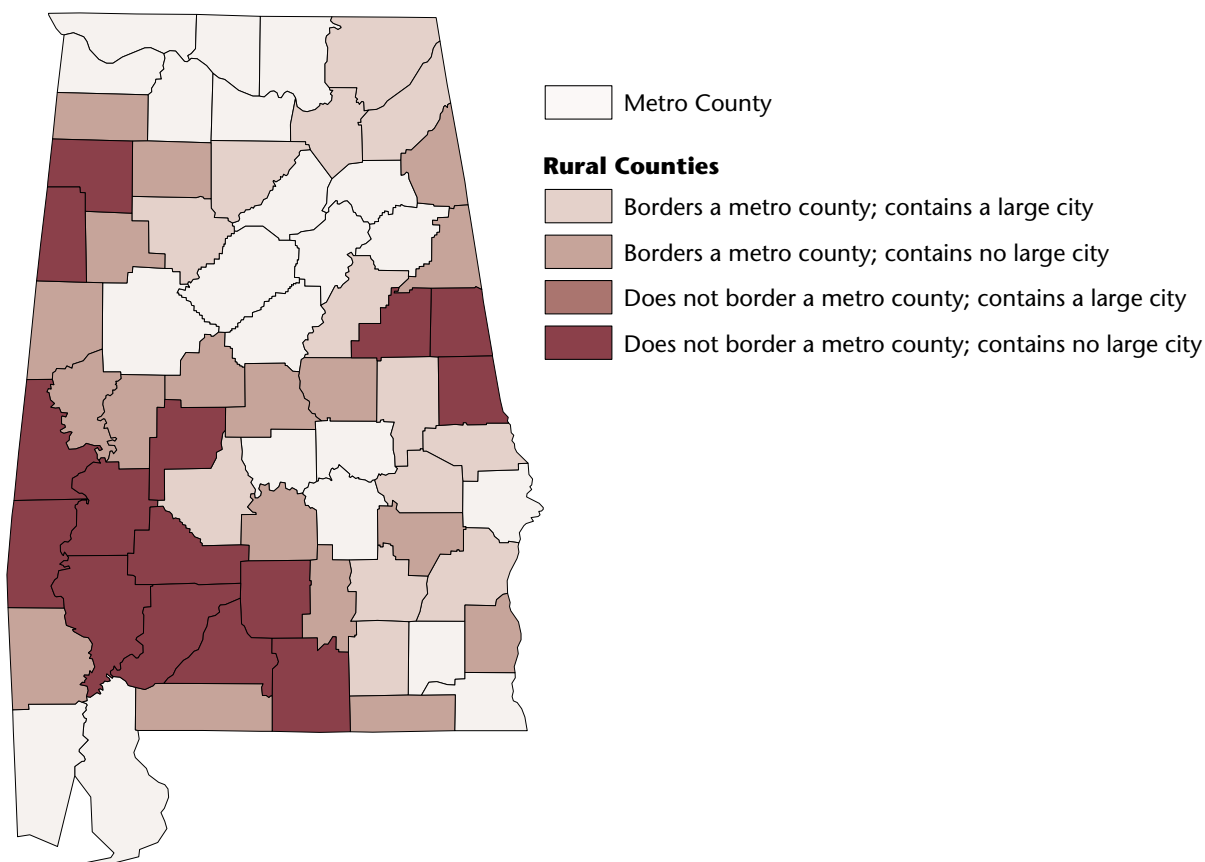
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Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in Rural Counties

	Type of rural county							
	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians	112	136	71	85	143	179	77	96
Generalist physicians	49	59	43	48	58	68	49	56
Medical specialists	9	16	4	7	12	23	3	7
Surgical specialists	30	32	13	14	41	46	14	17
General surgeons	9	8	6	5	11	11	7	6
OB-GYNs	7	8	3	3	9	11	3	4
Other surgeons	15	16	4	6	21	25	5	7
Other specialists	23	33	11	17	31	47	11	18
Dentists	34	31	27	25	38	36	30	28
PAs	9	11	8	11	12	15	7	14
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	210	227	126	141	278	330	154	194
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	103	130	55	73	140	167	67	87

ALABAMA



2000 Demography

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (Rank)
Total population	2,993,867	1,453,233	4,447,100	10.1	25	18	23
% population > 65	12.6	14.0	13.0	0.7	14	29	21
% population < 15	21.1	20.7	20.9	-3.4	32	21	28
Per capita income (\$)	25,480	19,475	23,518	12.8	43	44	43
% families in poverty	11.2	15.3	12.5	-12.2	6	7	6

Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in 2000

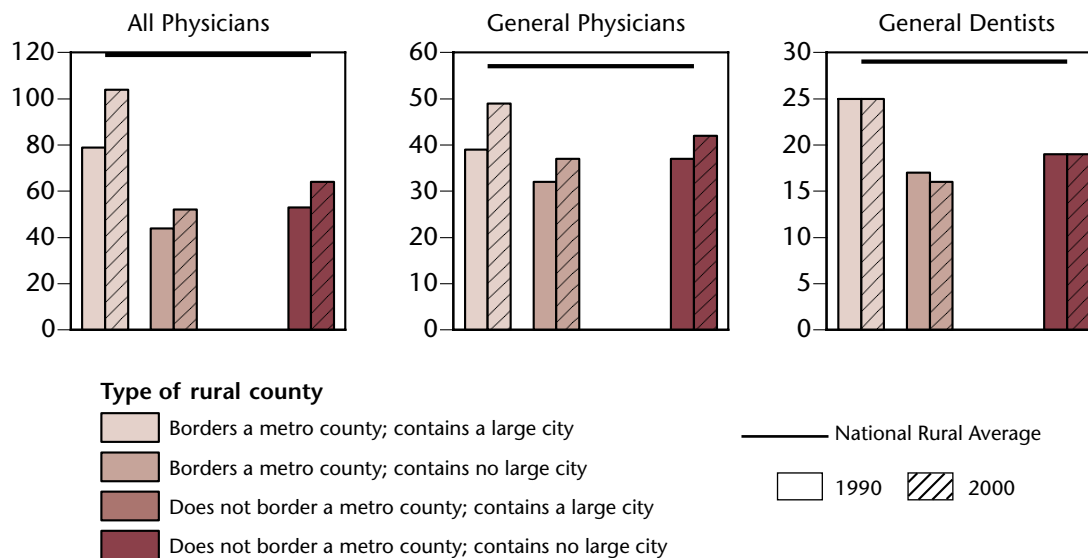
	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (rank)
Physicians	204	82	164	30.9	39	46	45
Generalist physicians	68	44	60	28.1	40	47	43
Medical specialists	34	6	25	76.0	34	45	38
Surgical specialists	54	19	43	16.0	20	42	24
General surgeons	10	6	9	-7.0	23	39	28
OB-GYNs	11	5	9	20.8	32	33	33
Other surgeons	33	8	24	25.6	12	47	20
Other specialists	52	13	40	39.4	44	48	47
Dentists	32	22	29	-1.4	43	45	44
PAs	8	2	6	-48.5	42	47	44
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	378	207	322	5.4	12	25	12
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	118	54	97	35.4	40	47	45

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Health Care Facilities and Access in Rural Counties in 2000

	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	13	18	0	15
Population	758,421	370,864	...	323,948
Short-term general hospitals	18	16	...	18
Hospital beds/100,000 persons	275	331	...	353
% pop. in persistent poverty counties	42.8	44.3	...	51.2
Per capita income (\$)	20,079	18,632	...	19,027
% families in poverty	13.7	16.0	...	18.2

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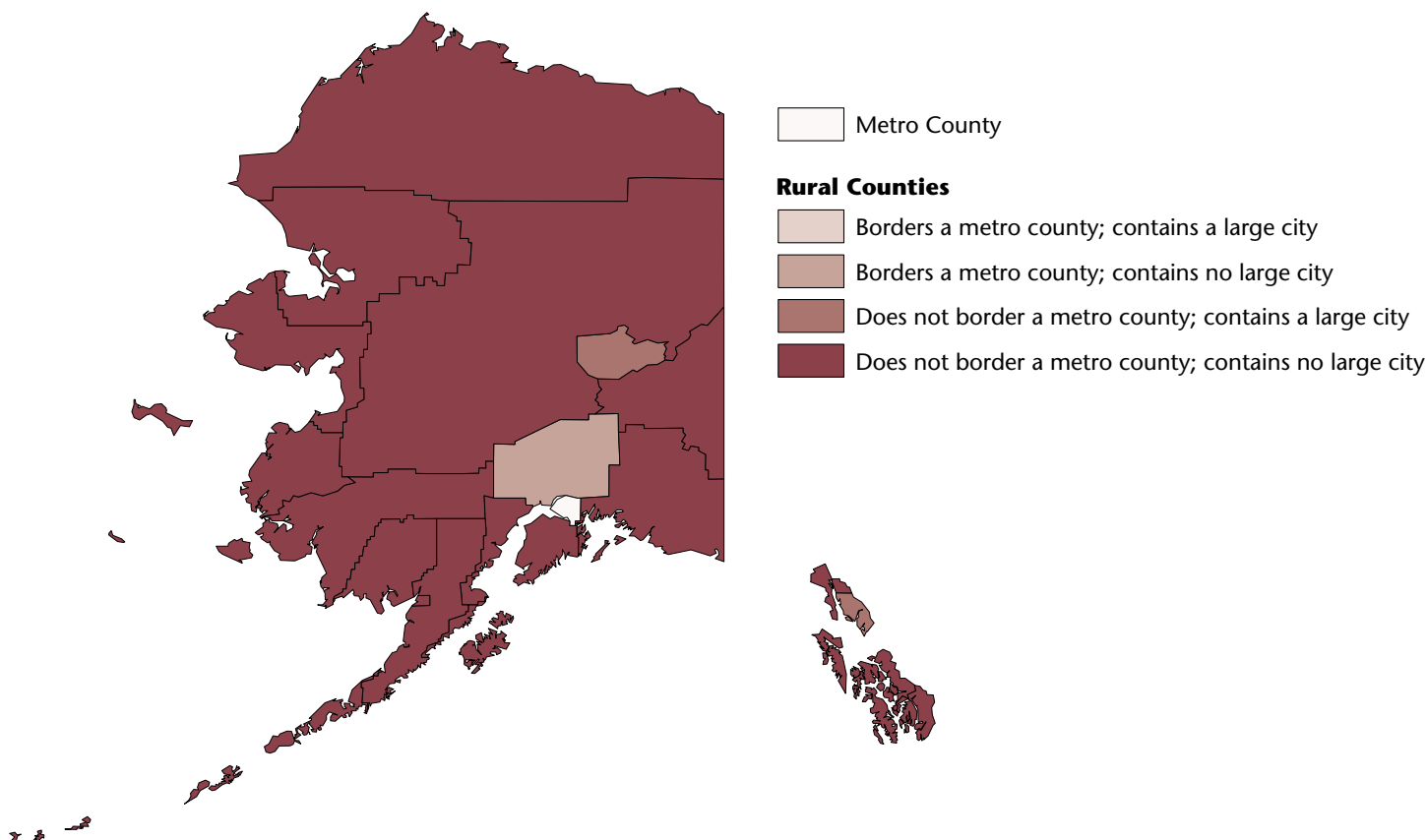


Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in Rural Counties

	Type of rural county							
	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians	79	104	44	52	...	...	53	64
Generalist physicians	39	49	32	37	...	...	37	42
Medical specialists	4	9	1	2	...	...	1	5
Surgical specialists	23	28	7	8	...	...	9	12
General surgeons	8	7	4	4	...	...	5	6
OB-GYNs	5	8	2	2	...	...	2	4
Other surgeons	10	13	1	1	...	...	2	2
Other specialists	13	20	4	5	...	...	6	7
Dentists	25	25	17	16	...	...	19	19
PAs	21	2	10	2	...	...	2	2
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	204	238	125	159	148	188
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	41	53	22	45	22	66

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ALASKA



2000 Demography

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (Rank)
Total population	260,283	364,756	625,039	14.0	47	41	48
% population > 65	5.5	5.9	5.7	41.7	50	49	50
% population < 15	24.4	25.8	25.2	-7.8	2	2	2
Per capita income (\$)	34,950	25,833	29,630	---	7	8	13
% families in poverty	5.1	7.9	6.7	---	48	35	38

Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in 2000

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (rank)
Physicians	224	130	169	---	25	17	40
Generalist physicians	80	73	76	---	20	6	19
Medical specialists	30	5	15	---	42	48	49
Surgical specialists	55	25	38	---	16	26	42
General surgeons	9	7	8	---	36	30	41
OB-GYNs	15	5	9	---	5	31	31
Other surgeons	32	12	20	---	16	27	44
Other specialists	63	32	45	---	29	22	41
Dentists	57	36	45	---	2	16	13
PAs	38	42	40	---	1	1	1
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	409	233	306	---	7	20	15
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	138	116	125	---	36	22	32

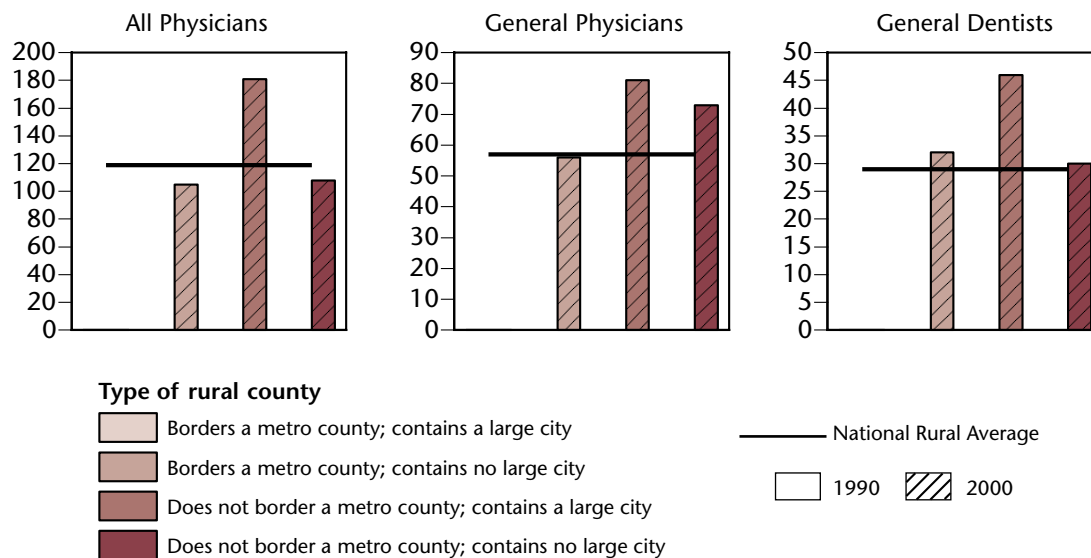
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	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	0	1	2	22
Population	...	59,322	113,551	191,883
Short-term general hospitals	...	1	3	16
Hospital beds/100,000 persons	...	61	324	263
% pop. in persistent poverty counties	...	0	0	0
Per capita income (\$)	...	19,367	29,875	25,440
% families in poverty	...	7.8	5.0	9.7

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	Type of rural county							
	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians	---	105	---	181	---	108
Generalist physicians	---	56	---	81	---	73
Medical specialists	---	2	---	6	---	5
Surgical specialists	---	22	---	44	---	15
General surgeons	---	7	---	9	---	7
OB-GYNs	---	7	---	9	---	3
Other surgeons	---	8	---	26	---	5
Other specialists	---	27	---	54	---	20
Dentists	---	32	---	46	---	30
PAs	---	29	---	40	---	48
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	---	64	---	278	---	258
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	---	152	---	140	---	91

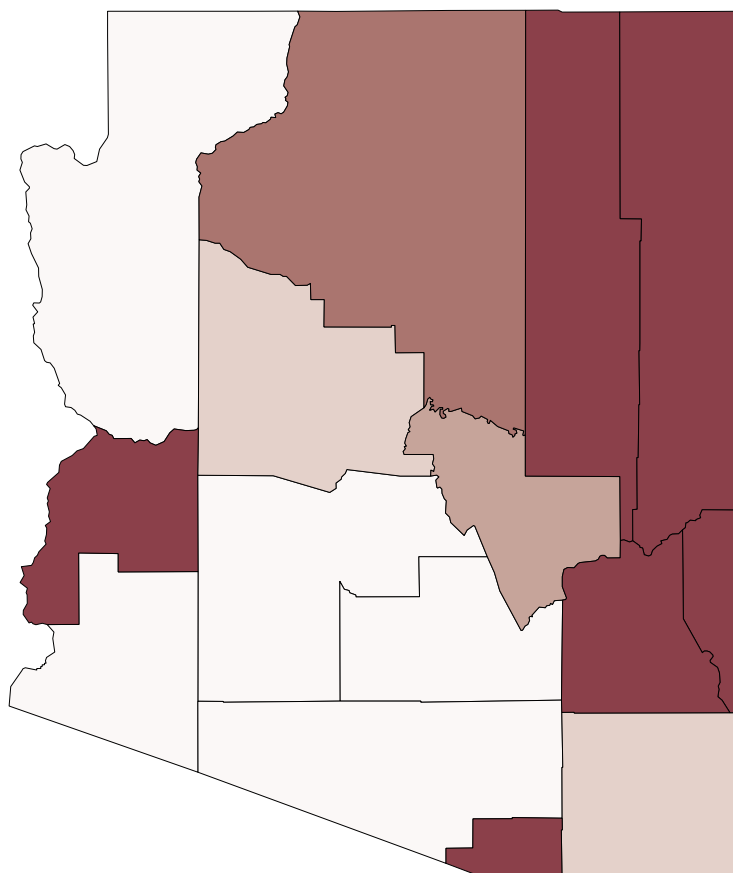
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ARIZONA

 Metro County

Rural Counties

-  Borders a metro county; contains a large city
-  Borders a metro county; contains no large city
-  Does not border a metro county; contains a large city
-  Does not border a metro county; contains no large city

**2000 Demography**

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (Rank)
Total population	4,410,680	719,952	5,130,632	40.0	16	34	20
% population > 65	12.8	14.2	13.0	-0.3	12	27	22
% population < 15	22.3	23.3	22.4	-1.3	10	4	8
Per capita income (\$)	26,082	18,257	24,984	10.3	41	48	37
% families in poverty	9.0	15.4	9.9	-13.5	15	6	15

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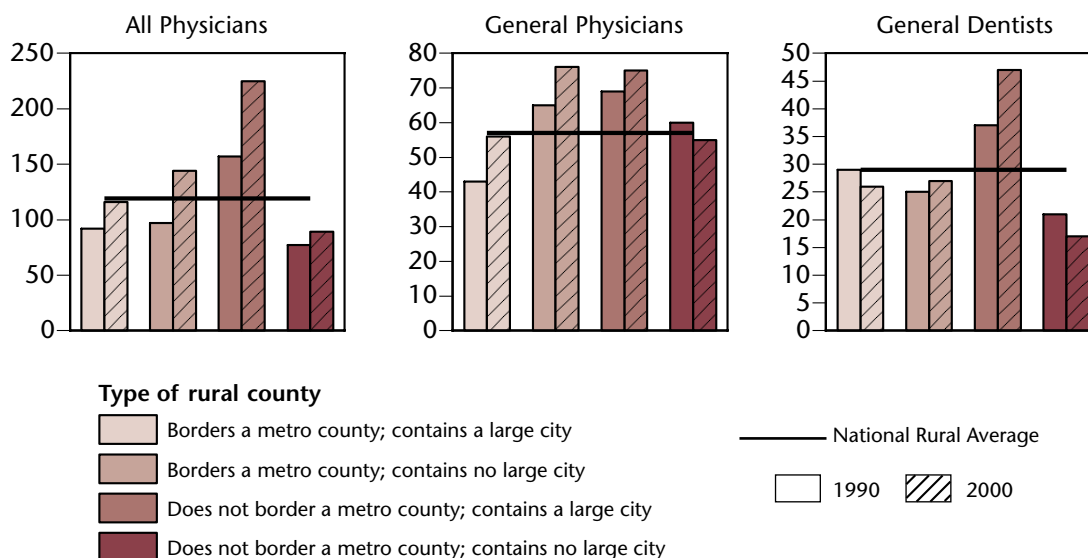
	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (rank)
Physicians	188	127	180	6.6	45	22	31
Generalist physicians	65	60	64	7.5	43	22	36
Medical specialists	33	14	31	15.0	38	17	18
Surgical specialists	41	24	39	-7.7	49	33	39
General surgeons	8	7	8	-23.0	49	35	45
OB-GYNs	10	7	9	-1.2	47	21	32
Other surgeons	23	11	22	-3.8	45	33	37
Other specialists	57	33	54	28.0	41	19	24
Dentists	31	27	31	-17.4	46	33	43
PAs	14	17	14	83.3	30	19	27
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	224	242	226	-11.9	41	13	40
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	101	102	101	24.1	45	27	43

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Health Care Facilities and Access in Rural Counties in 2000

	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	3	1	1	5
Population	323,653	51,335	116,320	228,644
Short-term general hospitals	9	3	3	10
Hospital beds/100,000 persons	249	206	230	188
% pop. in persistent poverty counties	0	0	100.0	73.0
Per capita income (\$)	19,579	18,375	21,918	14,499
% families in poverty	11.4	12.6	13.1	23.7

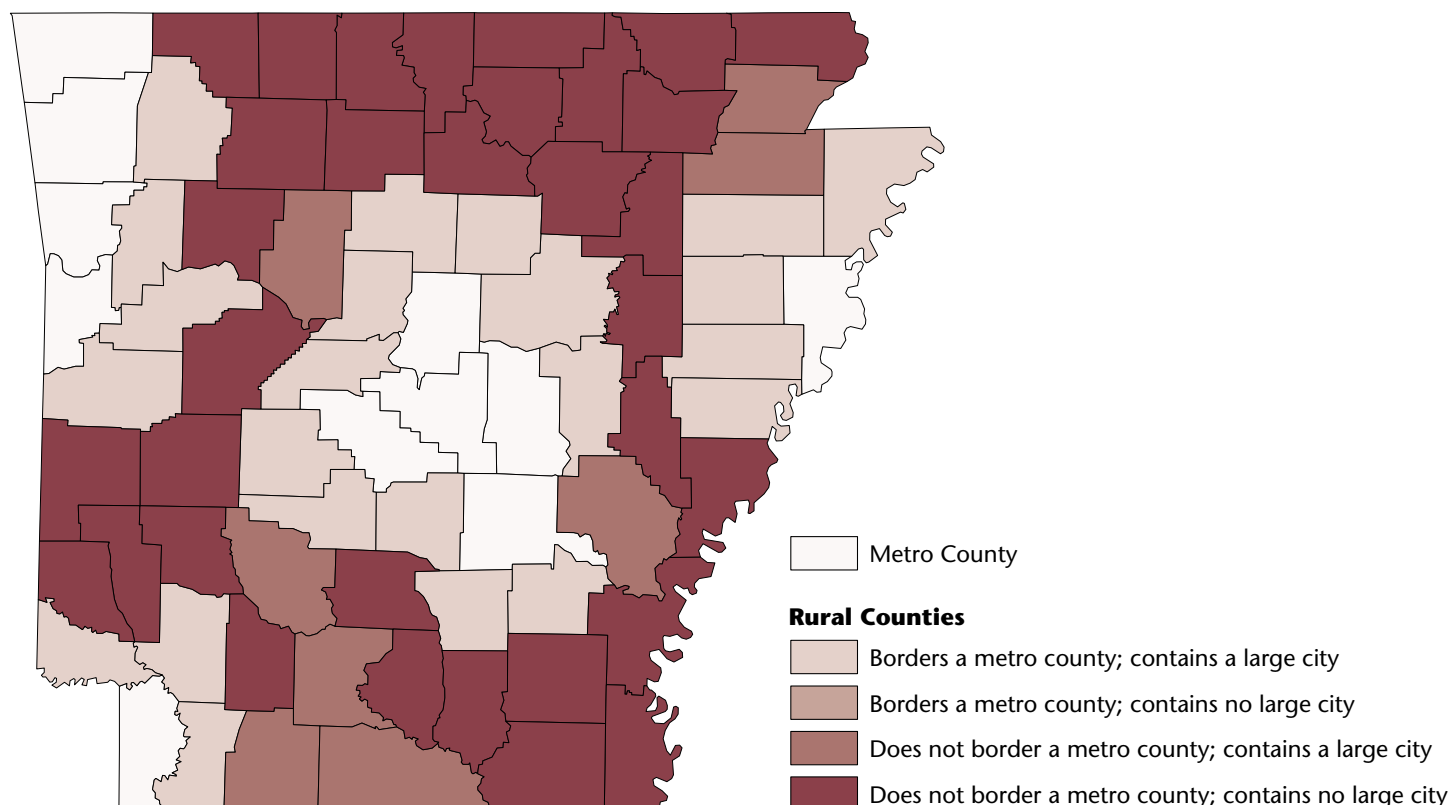
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Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in Rural Counties

	Type of rural county							
	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians	92	116	97	144	157	225	77	89
Generalist physicians	43	56	65	76	69	75	60	55
Medical specialists	7	13	2	8	11	28	2	9
Surgical specialists	24	23	12	33	42	52	9	10
General surgeons	9	6	5	10	7	12	3	4
OB-GYNs	5	6	2	8	12	15	4	3
Other surgeons	10	11	5	16	23	25	3	3
Other specialists	17	30	17	27	34	75	6	18
Dentists	29	26	25	27	37	47	21	17
PAs	0	13	0	21	31	15	14	24
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	183	181	100	189	227	367	155	275
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	80	107	53	88	123	198	18	49

ARKANSAS



2000 Demography

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (Rank)
Total population	1,238,871	1,434,529	2,673,400	13.7	34	19	33
% population > 65	11.7	15.9	14.0	-6.0	21	11	9
% population < 15	21.7	20.4	21.0	-4.2	18	27	25
Per capita income (\$)	24,791	19,575	21,992	15.2	47	41	47
% families in poverty	10.2	13.5	12.0	-18.7	9	10	7

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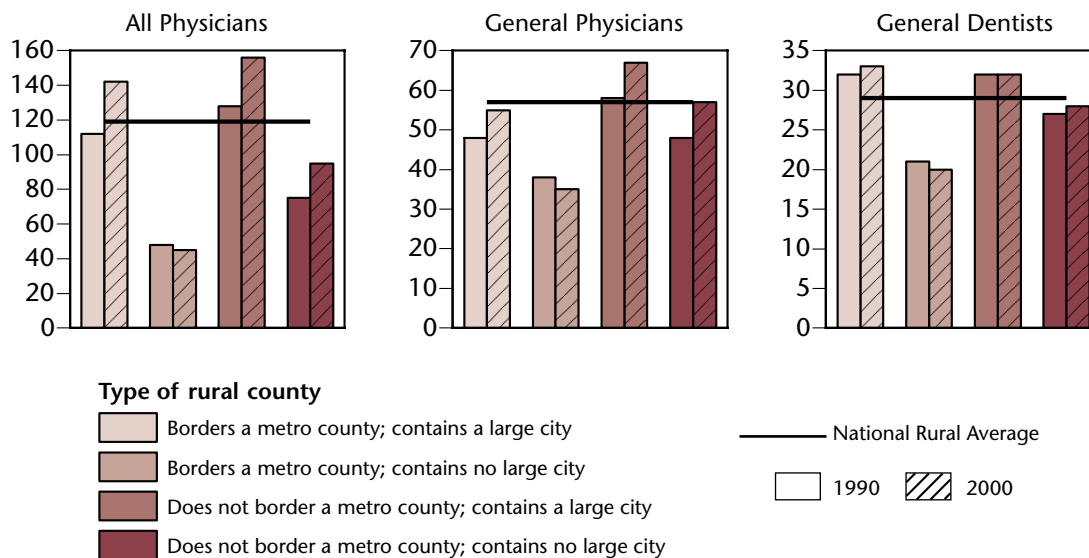
	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (rank)
Physicians	214	106	156	24.7	32	40	48
Generalist physicians	70	54	61	17.4	37	32	41
Medical specialists	40	10	24	65.7	21	33	44
Surgical specialists	52	23	36	8.3	25	38	47
General surgeons	10	6	8	-12.5	28	38	43
OB-GYNs	10	5	7	13.4	42	40	48
Other surgeons	31	12	21	17.0	18	29	41
Other specialists	60	20	39	42.6	34	41	48
Dentists	36	28	32	-1.5	39	30	39
PAs	3	1	2	-72.2	50	48	49
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	430	238	327	21.3	5	14	10
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	144	69	103	22.8	33	43	41

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Health Care Facilities and Access in Rural Counties in 2000

	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	4	19	8	33
Population	236,541	319,192	318,265	560,531
Short-term general hospitals	7	12	10	28
Hospital beds/100,000 persons	404	188	358	341
% pop. in persistent poverty counties	34.4	36.2	31.4	45.5
Per capita income (\$)	20,584	18,262	21,525	18,790
% families in poverty	13.7	13.1	12.9	14.1

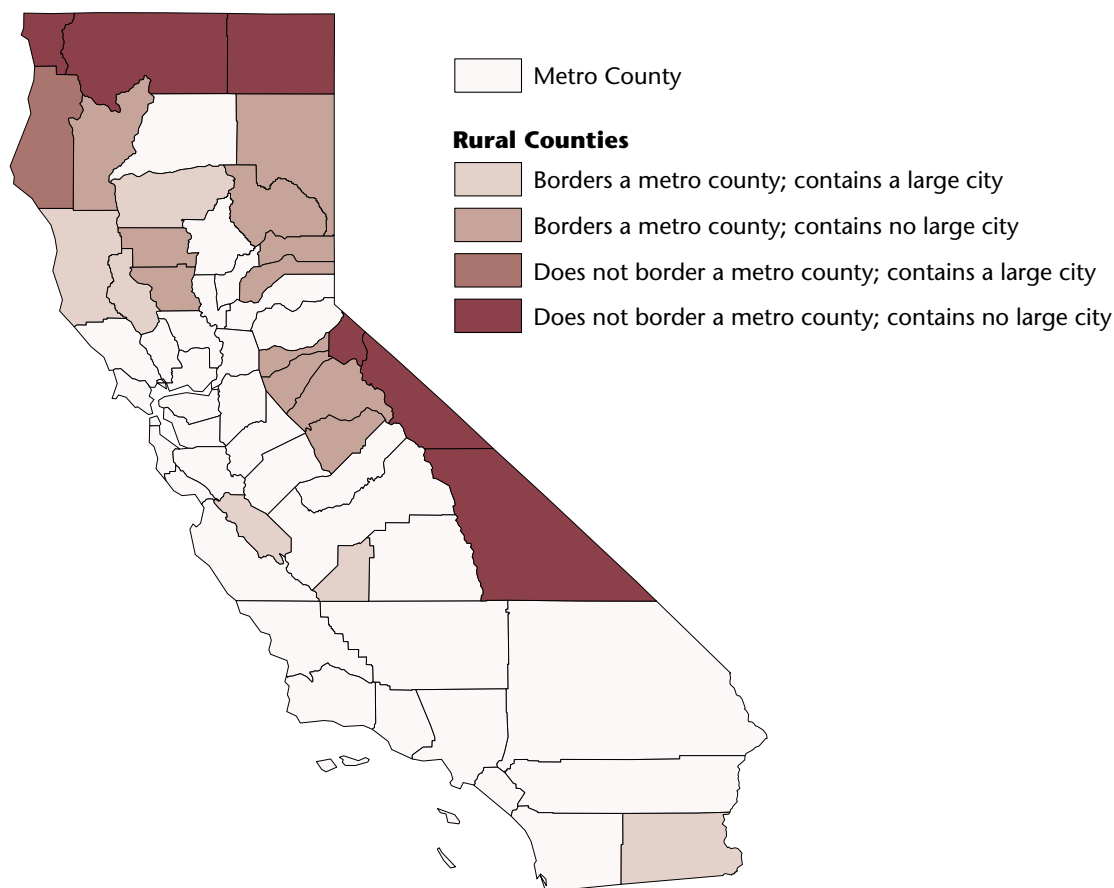
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	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians	112	142	48	45	128	156	75	95
Generalist physicians	48	55	38	35	58	67	48	57
Medical specialists	12	20	1	2	7	17	3	6
Surgical specialists	34	38	5	3	34	41	14	16
General surgeons	11	9	3	2	9	8	7	7
OB-GYNs	7	8	1	1	7	9	2	2
Other surgeons	16	20	1	1	18	24	5	7
Other specialists	19	31	4	5	29	33	10	17
Dentists	32	33	21	20	32	32	27	28
PAs	13	1	4	1	11	2	4	2
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	231	371	75	98	200	333	147	208
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	54	100	9	37	79	90	32	61

CALIFORNIA



2000 Demography

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (Rank)
Total population	32,750,394	1,121,254	33,871,648	13.8	1	24	1
% population > 65	10.5	13.5	10.6	0.8	38	34	45
% population < 15	23.0	21.1	23.0	3.6	5	17	6
Per capita income (\$)	32,514	21,809	32,159	11.5	12	29	7
% families in poverty	10.5	12.0	10.6	14.0	8	13	12

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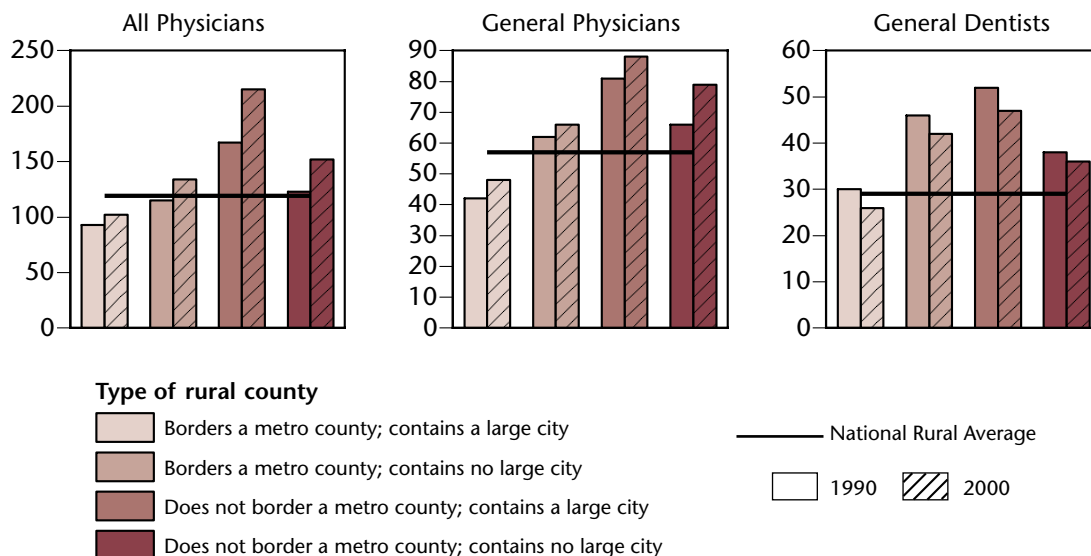
	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (rank)
Physicians	200	130	198	8.9	41	18	20
Generalist physicians	72	61	72	15.4	35	18	27
Medical specialists	30	8	29	18.9	44	40	23
Surgical specialists	44	28	44	-6.1	41	21	21
General surgeons	8	8	8	-20.3	43	26	39
OB-GYNs	11	6	11	0.5	33	29	17
Other surgeons	25	15	25	-3.2	42	17	18
Other specialists	57	34	56	11.8	40	18	19
Dentists	47	35	46	0.4	13	19	9
PAs	11	18	11	27.8	36	15	35
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	195	169	195	-7.9	45	38	44
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	126	130	126	17.6	38	19	31

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Health Care Facilities and Access in Rural Counties in 2000

	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	6	11	1	6
Population	525,669	355,804	126,518	113,263
Short-term general hospitals	14	16	5	8
Hospital beds/100,000 persons	146	224	231	313
% pop. in persistent poverty counties	0	0	0	0
Per capita income (\$)	20,200	23,677	23,237	21,817
% families in poverty	14.2	8.4	12.9	13.1

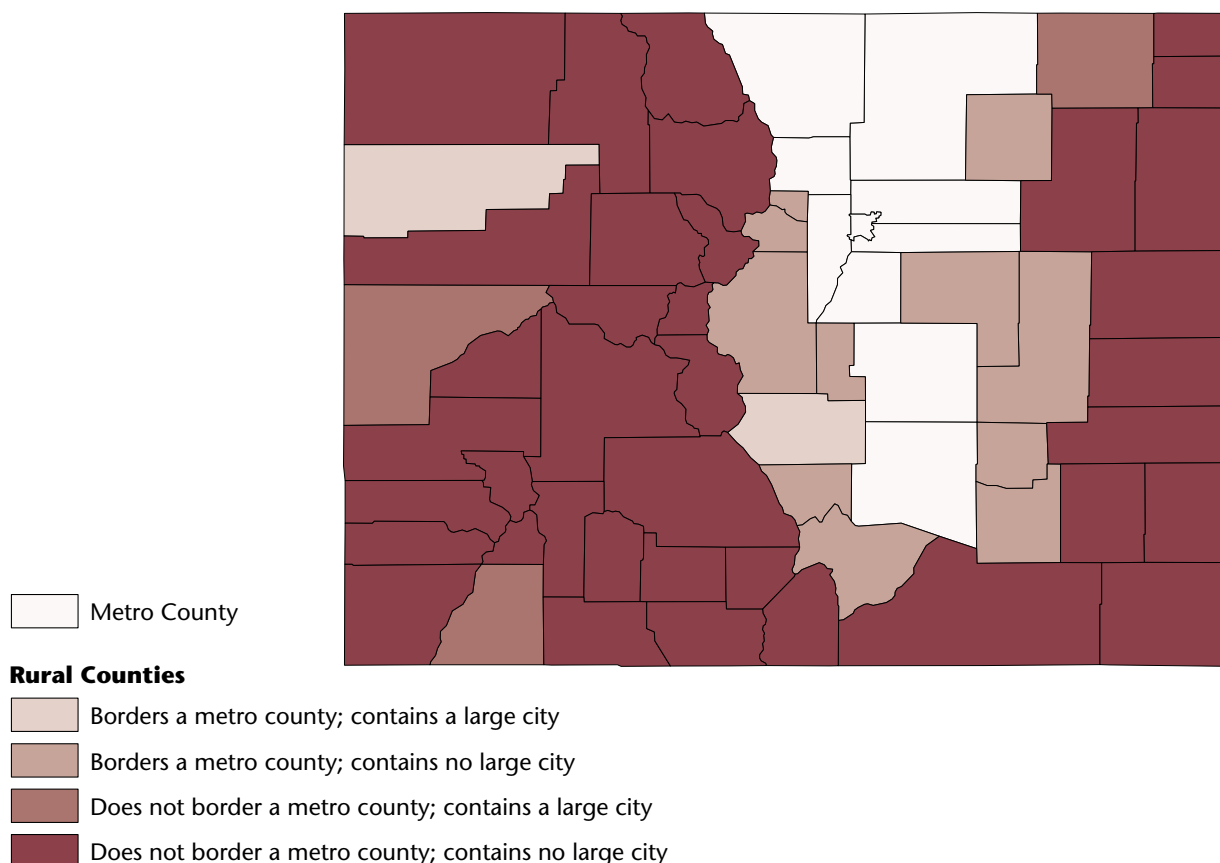
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Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in Rural Counties

	Type of rural county							
	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians	93	102	115	134	167	215	123	152
Generalist physicians	42	48	62	66	81	88	66	79
Medical specialists	5	7	4	9	4	10	0	4
Surgical specialists	24	25	22	26	39	46	24	31
General surgeons	7	7	8	8	8	9	9	6
OB-GYNs	6	6	5	5	8	9	5	6
Other surgeons	11	13	9	13	23	28	9	19
Other specialists	22	23	27	35	44	72	33	37
Dentists	30	26	46	42	52	47	38	36
PAs	12	12	8	20	13	33	3	18
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	125	172	119	137	159	192	117	227
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	32	64	103	181	148	236	163	154

COLORADO



2000 Demography

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (Rank)
Total population	3,491,401	809,860	4,301,261	30.6	21	31	24
% population > 65	9.2	11.9	9.7	-3.3	46	46	47
% population < 15	21.6	20.1	21.3	-4.2	21	33	20
Per capita income (\$)	34,167	24,986	32,439	25.1	8	10	6
% families in poverty	5.8	7.9	6.2	-27.6	43	34	44

Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in 2000

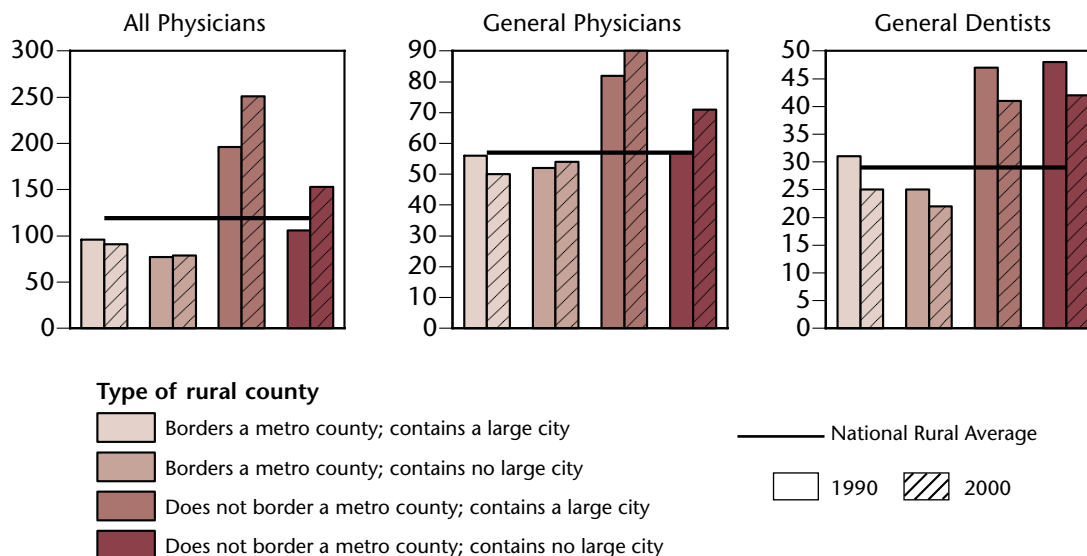
	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (rank)
Physicians	215	159	204	18.2	31	10	15
Generalist physicians	75	71	74	18.2	30	7	21
Medical specialists	34	16	31	30.9	37	12	19
Surgical specialists	47	32	44	3.4	36	13	19
General surgeons	9	8	9	-8.5	35	24	34
OB-GYNs	11	6	10	6.4	29	30	24
Other surgeons	27	19	25	6.9	35	9	15
Other specialists	64	45	60	33.4	24	8	12
Dentists	49	37	47	-9.4	8	14	7
PAs	22	18	21	62.3	12	14	11
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	224	223	224	-14.1	40	22	41
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	89	104	92	-29.1	46	25	47

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Health Care Facilities and Access in Rural Counties in 2000

	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	1	11	3	38
Population	46,145	139,481	180,700	443,534
Short-term general hospitals	1	5	6	29
Hospital beds/100,000 persons	119	227	511	276
% pop. in persistent poverty counties	0	20.2	0	10.9
Per capita income (\$)	18,111	24,496	25,165	25,783
% families in poverty	8.3	6.9	7.1	8.5

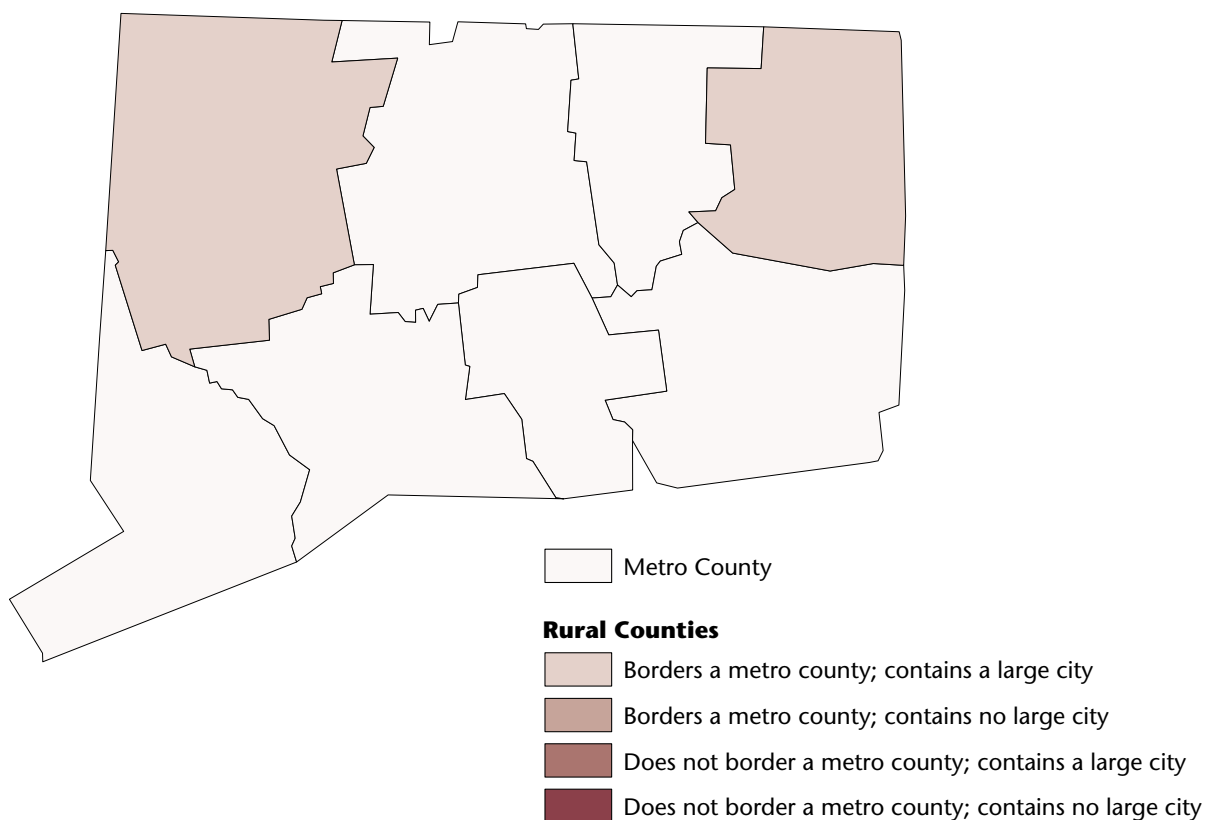
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Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in Rural Counties

	Type of rural county							
	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians	96	91	77	79	196	251	106	153
Generalist physicians	56	50	52	54	82	90	57	71
Medical specialists	0	4	5	4	29	43	4	10
Surgical specialists	12	20	12	9	48	55	23	32
General surgeons	3	4	7	5	12	12	7	7
OB-GYNs	0	4	1	2	8	8	4	6
Other surgeons	9	11	4	2	28	35	12	18
Other specialists	28	22	8	11	38	79	22	44
Dentists	31	25	25	22	47	41	48	42
PAs	0	24	9	12	43	16	6	20
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	168	100	124	105	335	478	174	168
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	0	74	11	63	177	191	78	85

CONNECTICUT



2000 Demography

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (Rank)
Total population	3,114,281	291,284	3,405,565	3.6	24	45	29
% population > 65	13.8	13.5	13.8	1.8	5	35	10
% population < 15	20.8	20.6	20.8	8.3	36	23	32
Per capita income (\$)	41,530	31,843	40,702	15.6	1	2	1
% families in poverty	5.8	3.8	5.6	12.0	41	49	47

Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in 2000

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (rank)
Physicians	270	170	261	23.8	9	7	4
Generalist physicians	85	68	83	26.3	16	11	9
Medical specialists	48	22	46	43.0	12	4	7
Surgical specialists	62	36	59	9.6	5	9	1
General surgeons	12	8	12	-4.4	12	16	6
OB-GYNs	16	10	15	13.8	2	4	2
Other surgeons	34	19	33	13.6	9	10	1
Other specialists	80	47	77	25.4	9	5	4
Dentists	53	40	52	-9.2	5	9	4
PA's	24	8	23	62.0	11	37	9
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	208	73	196	-19.8	44	48	43
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	144	224	150	-10.1	34	2	24

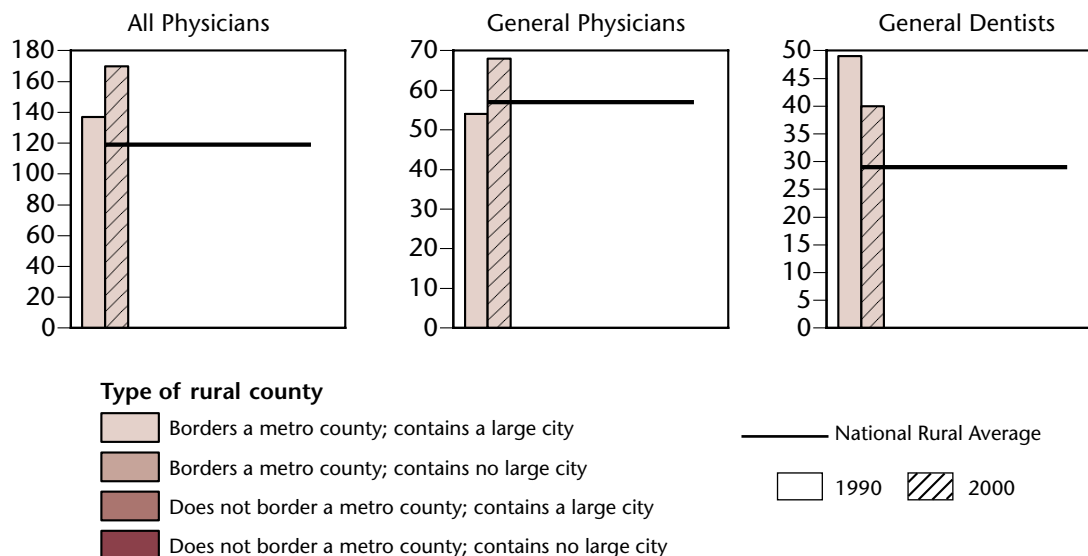
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CONNECTICUT

Health Care Facilities and Access in Rural Counties in 2000

	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	2	0	0	0
Population	291,284	...	...	...
Short-term general hospitals	5	...	...	...
Hospital beds/100,000 persons	136	...	...	...
% pop. in persistent poverty counties	0
Per capita income (\$)	31,843
% families in poverty	3.8

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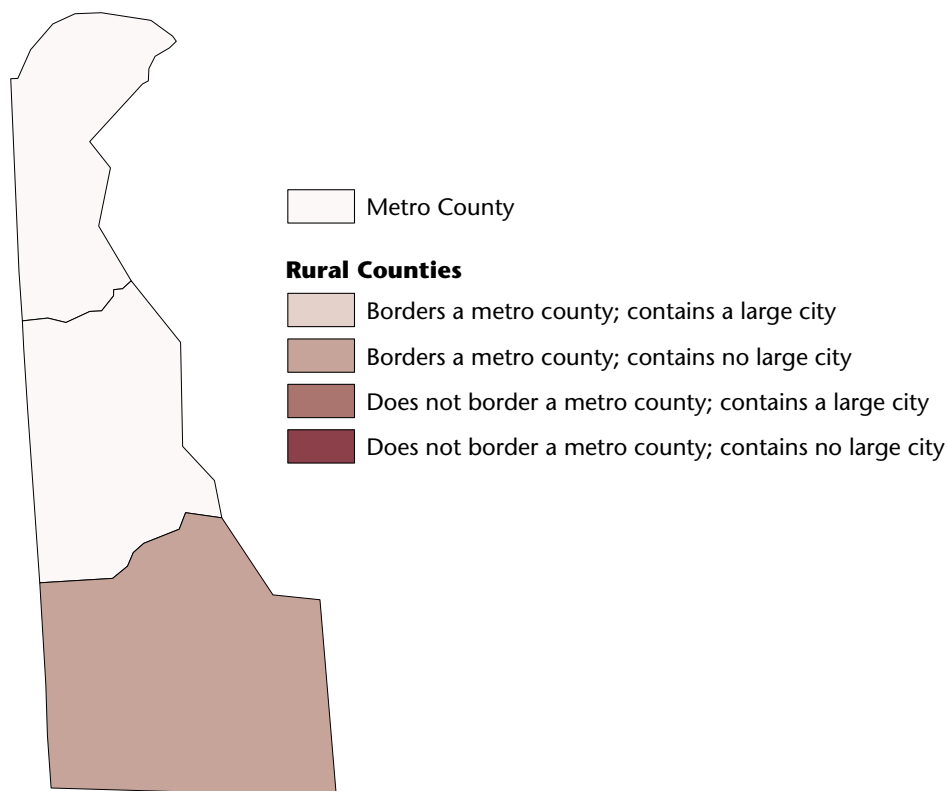


Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in Rural Counties

	Type of rural county							
	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians	137	170	...	...	...	...	...	...
Generalist physicians	54	68	...	...	...	...	...	...
Medical specialists	13	22	...	...	...	...	...	...
Surgical specialists	37	36	...	...	...	...	...	...
General surgeons	9	8	...	...	...	...	...	...
OB-GYNs	8	10	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other surgeons	20	19	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other specialists	34	47	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dentists	49	40	...	...	...	...	...	...
PAs	10	8	...	...	...	...	...	...
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	131	73	...	...	...	...	...	...
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	194	224	...	...	...	...	...	...

... No counties of this type

DELAWARE



2000 Demography

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (Rank)
Total population	626,962	156,638	783,600	17.6	42	47	45
% population > 65	11.6	18.5	13.0	7.1	25	2	23
% population < 15	21.3	18.7	20.8	-0.4	27	46	33
Per capita income (\$)	33,224	22,185	31,017	8.9	10	28	11
% families in poverty	6.1	7.7	6.5	5.4	37	37	41

Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in 2000

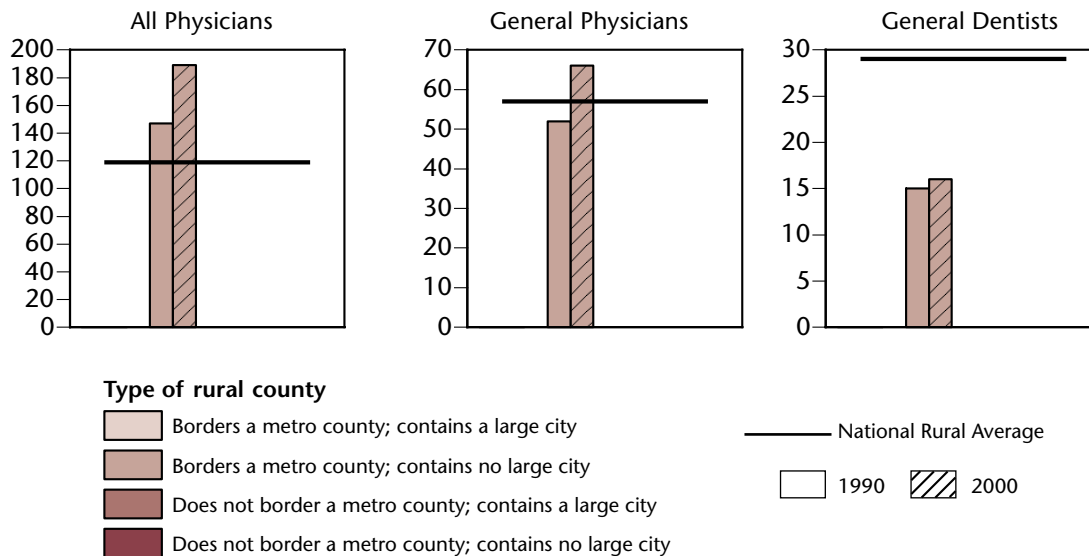
	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (rank)
Physicians	215	189	210	24.8	30	4	13
Generalist physicians	79	66	76	27.6	25	15	18
Medical specialists	36	38	36	48.5	29	2	12
Surgical specialists	48	38	46	12.3	32	6	14
General surgeons	10	10	10	-3.9	26	5	18
OB-GYNs	12	8	11	9.6	22	8	14
Other surgeons	26	19	25	21.9	37	8	17
Other specialists	59	56	58	33.8	37	4	14
Dentists	34	16	31	-6.0	41	49	41
PAs	14	4	12	17.5	28	44	31
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	299	260	291	-13.1	25	11	19
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	214	71	185	34.0	13	42	14

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Health Care Facilities and Access in Rural Counties in 2000

	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	0	1	0	0
Population	...	156,638	...	...
Short-term general hospitals	...	2	...	...
Hospital beds/100,000 persons	...	263	...	...
% pop. in persistent poverty counties	...	0
Per capita income (\$)	...	22,185
% families in poverty	...	7.7

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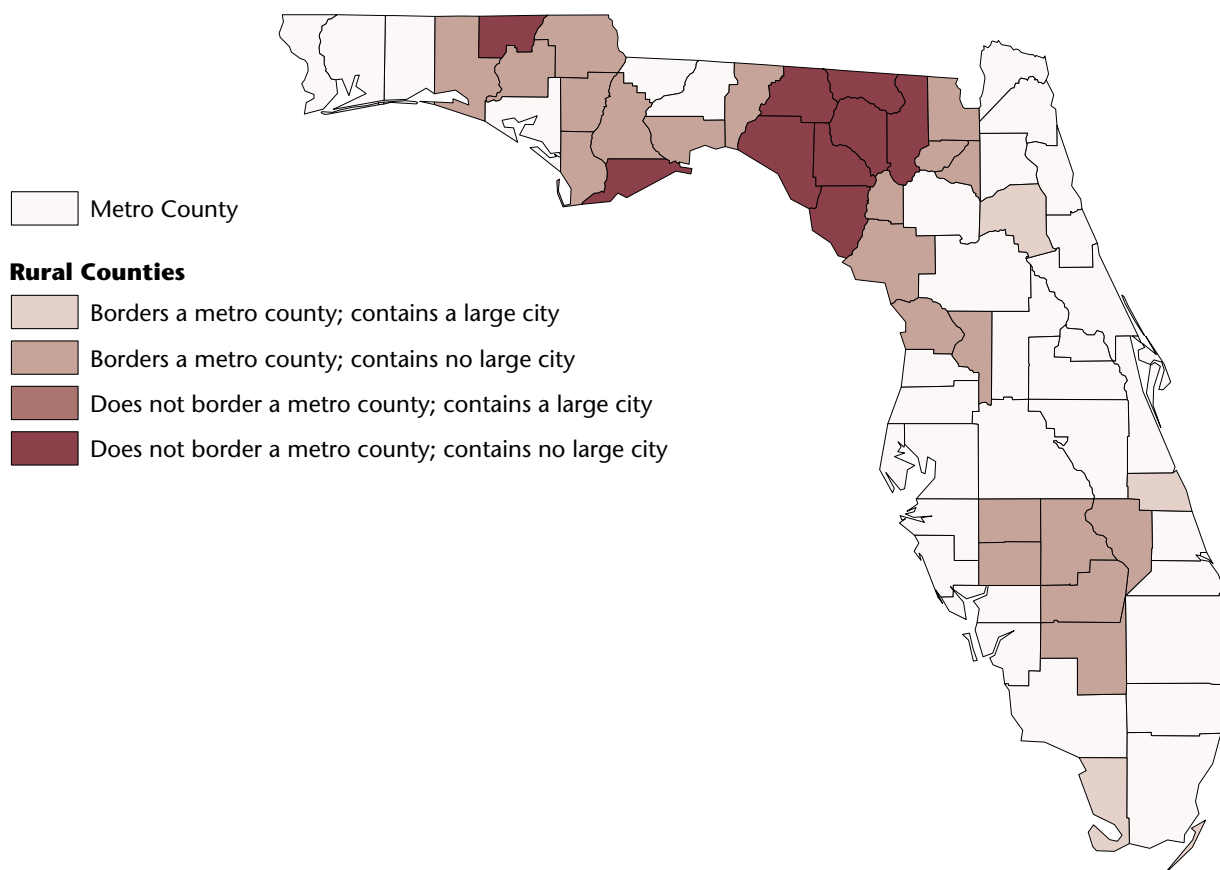


Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in Rural Counties

	Type of rural county							
	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians	147	189	...	...	...	...
Generalist physicians	52	66	...	...	...	...
Medical specialists	19	38	...	...	...	...
Surgical specialists	38	38	...	...	...	...
General surgeons	11	10	...	...	...	...
OB-GYNs	9	8	...	...	...	...
Other surgeons	18	19	...	...	...	...
Other specialists	38	56	...	...	...	...
Dentists	15	16	...	...	...	...
PA's	3	4	...	...	...	...
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	332	260	...	...	...	...
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	156	71	...	...	...	...

... No counties of this type

FLORIDA



2000 Demography

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (Rank)
Total population	14,837,497	1,144,881	15,982,378	23.5	4	23	4
% population > 65	17.4	20.0	17.6	-4.1	1	1	1
% population < 15	19.1	17.7	19.0	1.8	49	49	49
Per capita income (\$)	28,256	21,374	27,763	6.3	35	34	23
% families in poverty	8.9	11.4	9.0	0.0	17	16	18

Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in 2000

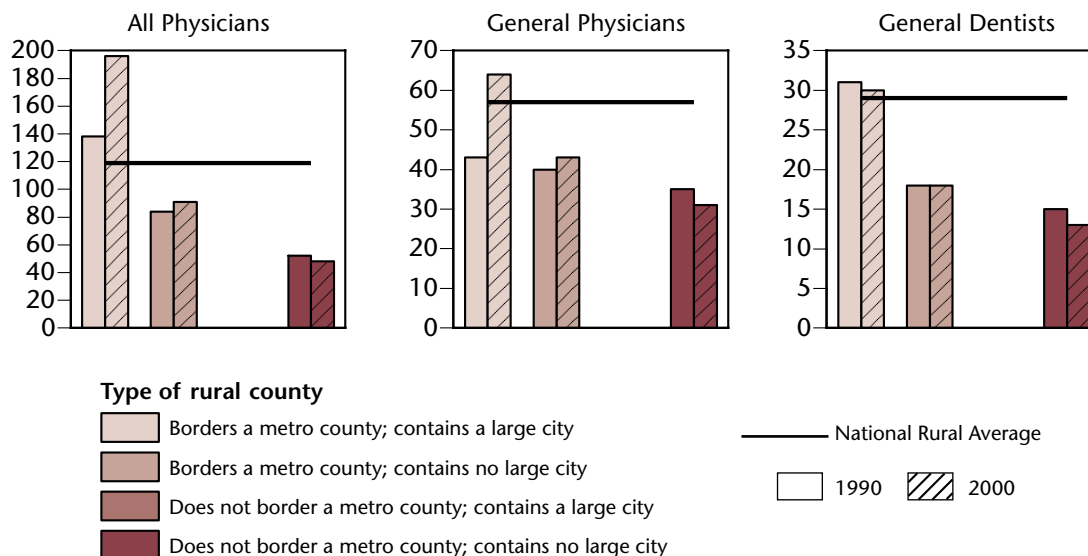
	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (rank)
Physicians	222	115	214	21.8	27	25	11
Generalist physicians	77	47	75	27.2	27	43	20
Medical specialists	41	17	40	38.3	18	10	9
Surgical specialists	50	24	49	4.0	29	31	11
General surgeons	9	6	9	-17.3	33	37	27
OB-GYNs	10	5	10	13.7	43	35	26
Other surgeons	31	13	29	9.5	22	22	6
Other specialists	60	31	57	34.9	35	23	16
Dentists	35	21	34	-6.7	40	47	36
PAs	13	11	13	21.1	31	33	29
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	313	186	303	-1.4	22	32	17
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	108	77	106	38.1	43	41	40

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Health Care Facilities and Access in Rural Counties in 2000

	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	4	21	0	8
Population	319,472	688,779	...	136,630
Short-term general hospitals	9	17	...	5
Hospital beds/100,000 persons	433	184	...	119
% pop. in persistent poverty counties	0	20.6	...	74.5
Per capita income (\$)	28,917	18,711	...	17,161
% families in poverty	9.4	11.6	...	15.6

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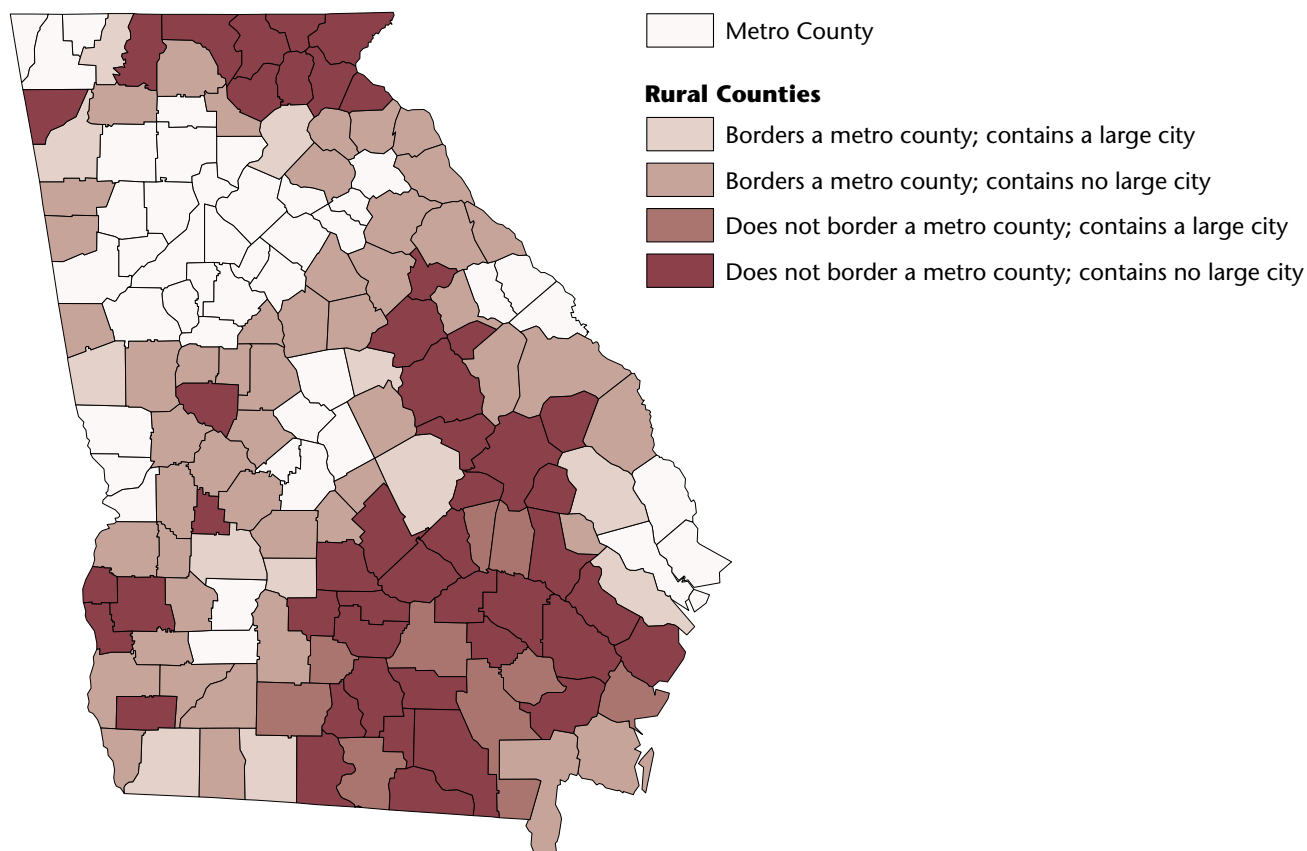


Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in Rural Counties

	Type of rural county							
	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians	138	196	84	91	...	...	52	48
Generalist physicians	43	64	40	43	...	...	35	31
Medical specialists	16	31	8	12	...	...	4	8
Surgical specialists	42	51	15	16	...	...	8	4
General surgeons	10	10	6	6	...	...	5	2
OB-GYNs	9	13	3	3	...	...	1	1
Other surgeons	23	29	7	8	...	...	2	1
Other specialists	36	60	21	22	...	...	5	6
Dentists	31	30	18	18	...	...	15	13
PAs	11	13	14	11	...	...	4	10
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	243	302	141	152	...	...	60	83
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	142	161	24	46	...	...	11	38

... No counties of this type

GEORGIA



2000 Demography

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (Rank)
Total population	5,666,664	2,519,789	8,186,453	26.4	11	3	10
% population > 65	8.5	12.1	9.6	-5.0	48	43	48
% population < 15	22.4	21.9	22.2	-0.5	9	9	10
Per capita income (\$)	30,791	21,047	27,792	19.0	16	35	22
% families in poverty	8.3	13.4	9.9	-13.7	18	11	16

Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in 2000

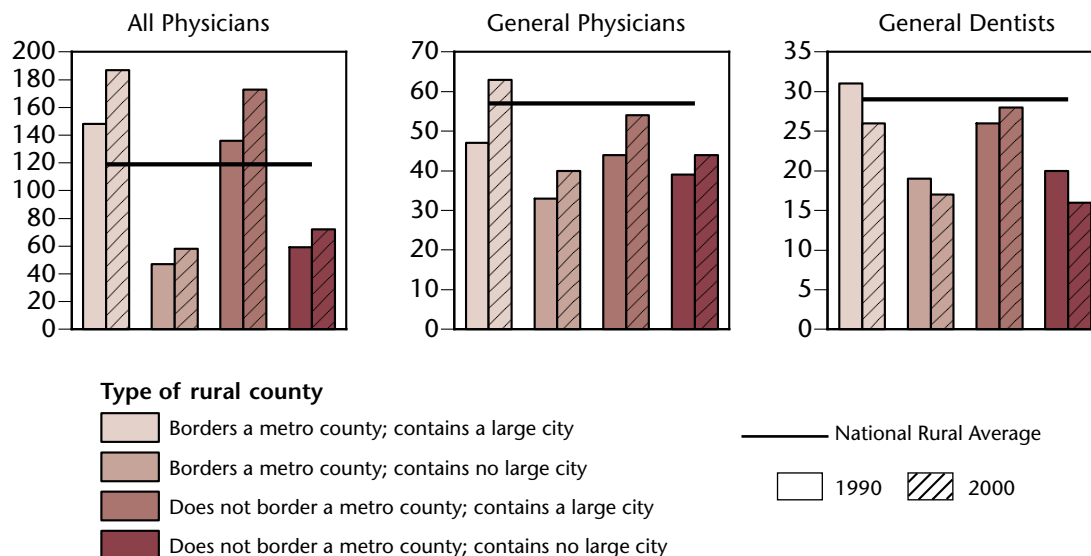
	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (rank)
Physicians	195	114	170	22.5	44	28	38
Generalist physicians	65	50	60	29.4	44	40	44
Medical specialists	31	11	24	48.1	41	28	42
Surgical specialists	50	29	43	7.5	31	19	23
General surgeons	10	8	9	-10.3	29	18	26
OB-GYNs	13	9	12	23.2	8	7	9
Other surgeons	26	12	22	9.0	36	25	36
Other specialists	54	26	45	23.6	43	28	40
Dentists	32	21	28	-12.0	45	46	46
PAs	18	12	16	11.9	21	28	24
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	304	238	283	3.5	24	15	23
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	178	81	148	58.5	21	39	26

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Health Care Facilities and Access in Rural Counties in 2000

	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	12	49	9	47
Population	705,486	801,348	363,012	649,943
Short-term general hospitals	16	33	8	29
Hospital beds/100,000 persons	486	297	339	358
% pop. in persistent poverty counties	32.2	37.1	44.4	47.7
Per capita income (\$)	22,844	20,155	22,543	19,360
% families in poverty	12.1	13.1	14.6	14.5

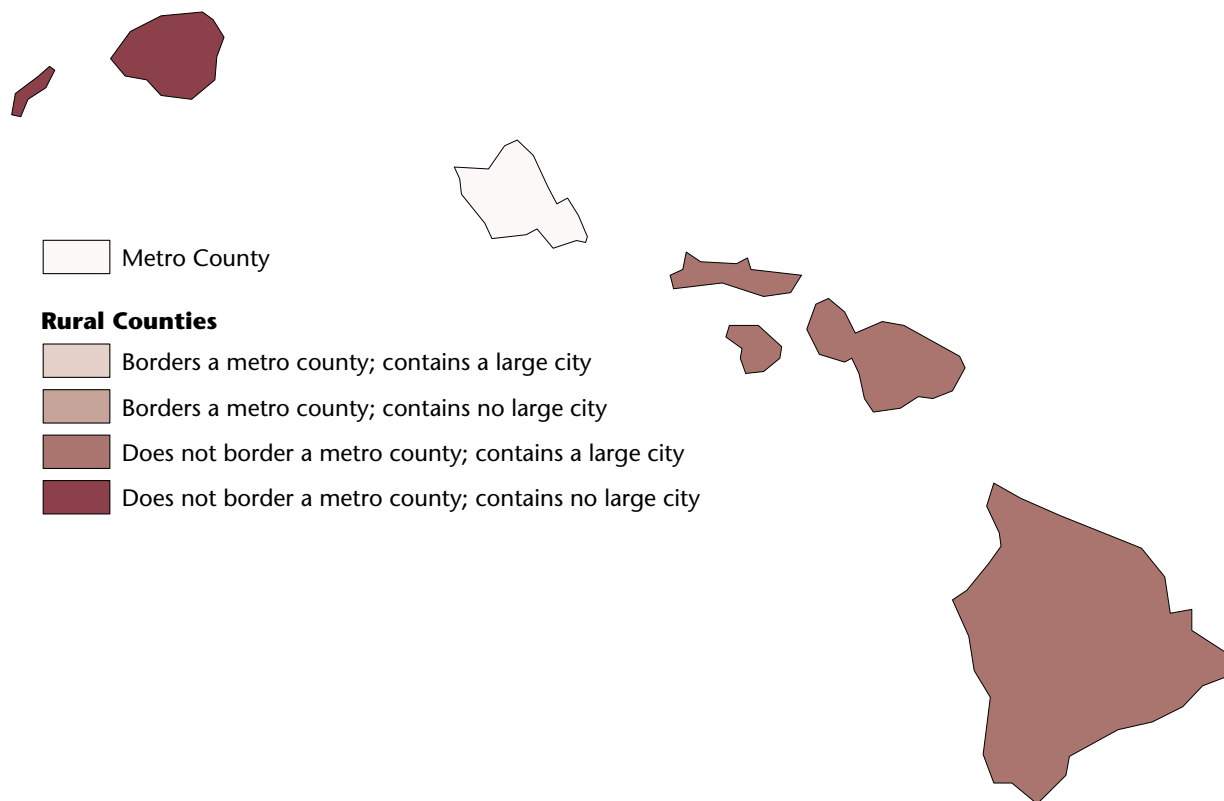
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Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in Rural Counties

	Type of rural county							
	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians	148	187	47	58	136	173	59	72
Generalist physicians	47	63	33	40	44	54	39	44
Medical specialists	11	22	1	2	12	25	2	2
Surgical specialists	49	52	7	9	45	49	12	17
General surgeons	14	12	4	4	12	12	5	6
OB-GYNs	11	16	2	3	11	13	3	6
Other surgeons	24	25	1	1	23	24	3	6
Other specialists	41	52	6	7	34	49	7	9
Dentists	31	26	19	17	26	28	20	16
PAs	19	17	11	8	24	21	15	8
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	328	367	78	124	276	381	137	158
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	101	105	17	56	66	112	46	70

HAWAII



2000 Demography

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (Rank)
Total population	876,156	335,381	1,211,537	9.3	39	44	42
% population > 65	13.4	12.8	13.3	17.5	9	40	16
% population < 15	20.0	21.3	20.3	-5.4	43	14	42
Per capita income (\$)	29,960	22,354	27,854	-5.5	21	27	21
% families in poverty	7.0	9.3	7.6	26.9	28	24	30

Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in 2000

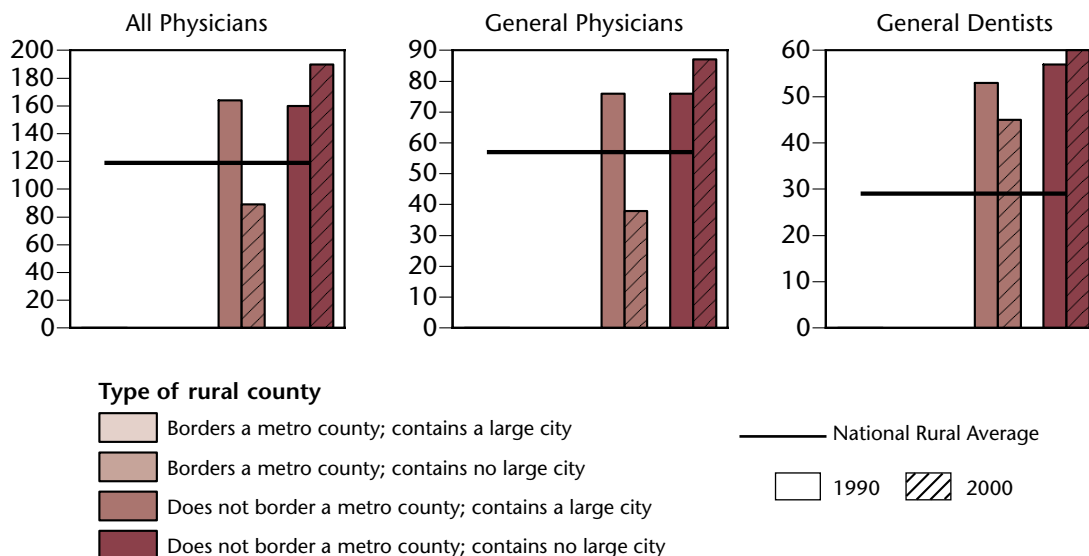
	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (rank)
Physicians	267	107	222	18.9	11	39	10
Generalist physicians	96	46	82	14.8	3	46	11
Medical specialists	39	10	31	50.3	24	32	17
Surgical specialists	62	23	51	3.4	6	37	7
General surgeons	13	4	10	-14.8	7	49	13
OB-GYNs	17	7	14	4.9	1	22	4
Other surgeons	32	12	26	11.7	13	26	12
Other specialists	75	32	63	31.5	11	21	11
Dentists	64	48	59	-2.7	1	2	1
PAs	7	8	8	-68.5	43	36	42
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	285	214	265	6.1	28	24	29
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	85	38	72	97.5	48	49	49

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Health Care Facilities and Access in Rural Counties in 2000

	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	0	0	3	1
Population	276,918	58,463
Short-term general hospitals	6	2
Hospital beds/100,000 persons	235	393
% pop. in persistent poverty counties	0	0
Per capita income (\$)	22,151	23,312
% families in poverty	9.5	8.4

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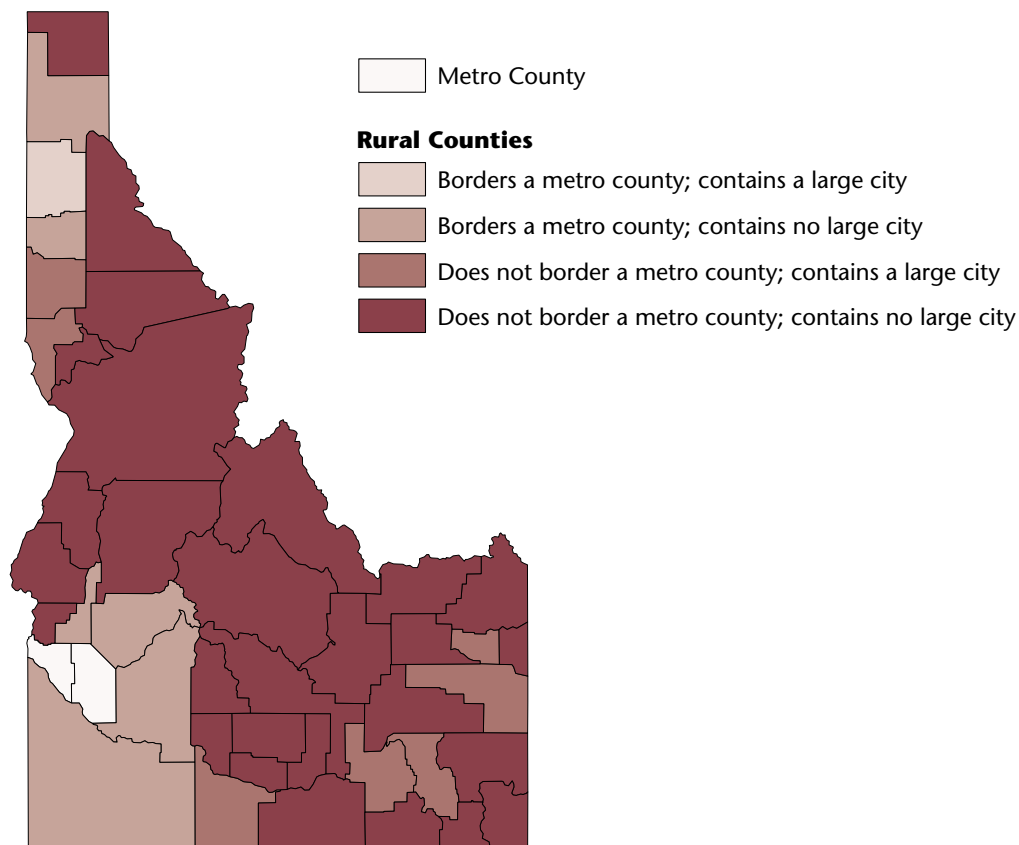


Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in Rural Counties

	Type of rural county							
	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians	164	89	160	190
Generalist physicians	76	38	76	87
Medical specialists	7	8	2	17
Surgical specialists	42	20	39	38
General surgeons	10	4	12	5
OB-GYNs	12	5	12	12
Other surgeons	20	10	16	21
Other specialists	40	27	43	53
Dentists	53	45	57	60
PAs	37	8	14	9
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	205	199	191	282
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	32	36	41	46

... No counties of this type

IDAHO



2000 Demography

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (Rank)
Total population	432,345	861,608	1,293,953	28.5	44	29	39
% population > 65	9.7	12.1	11.3	-6.4	45	44	41
% population < 15	23.8	23.2	23.4	-9.5	4	5	4
Per capita income (\$)	28,345	21,399	23,720	13.6	33	33	41
% families in poverty	6.4	9.3	8.3	-14.2	33	25	22

Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in 2000

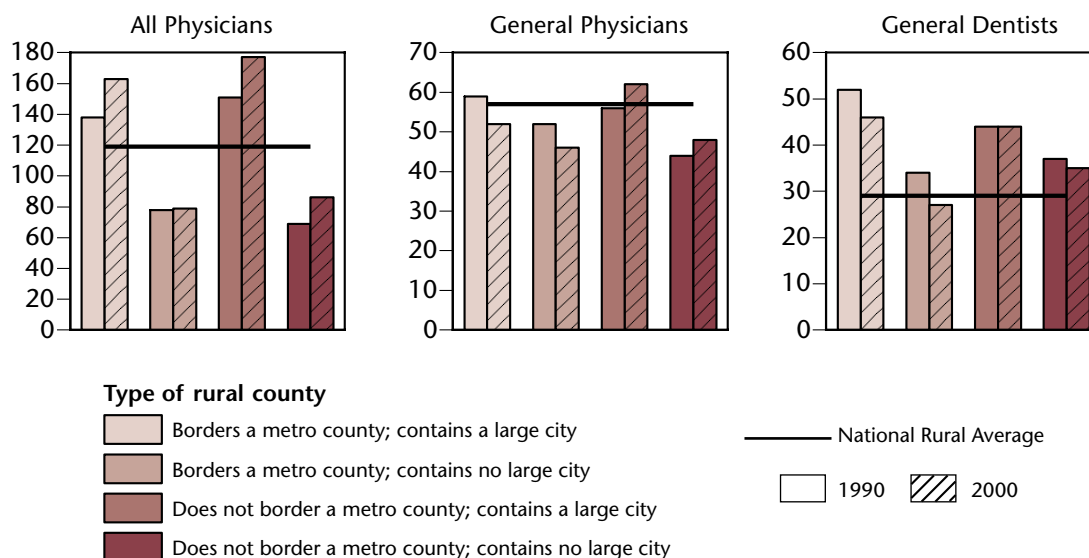
	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (rank)
Physicians	185	130	148	24.3	46	19	49
Generalist physicians	59	54	56	13.2	49	33	48
Medical specialists	28	12	17	68.3	47	24	48
Surgical specialists	52	34	40	20.5	24	11	36
General surgeons	12	7	9	10.0	11	29	29
OB-GYNs	13	6	8	32.1	15	26	42
Other surgeons	28	21	23	21.2	33	5	31
Other specialists	48	32	37	42.2	49	20	49
Dentists	39	39	39	-7.8	31	13	24
PAs	20	15	16	77.3	14	24	23
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	272	162	199	4.5	34	39	42
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	116	146	136	-7.0	41	16	28

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	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	1	6	7	28
Population	108,685	107,631	329,721	315,571
Short-term general hospitals	1	4	9	22
Hospital beds/100,000 persons	230	163	351	301
% pop. in persistent poverty counties	0	9.9	0	0
Per capita income (\$)	23,456	19,280	21,753	21,045
% families in poverty	7.7	11.0	8.7	9.8

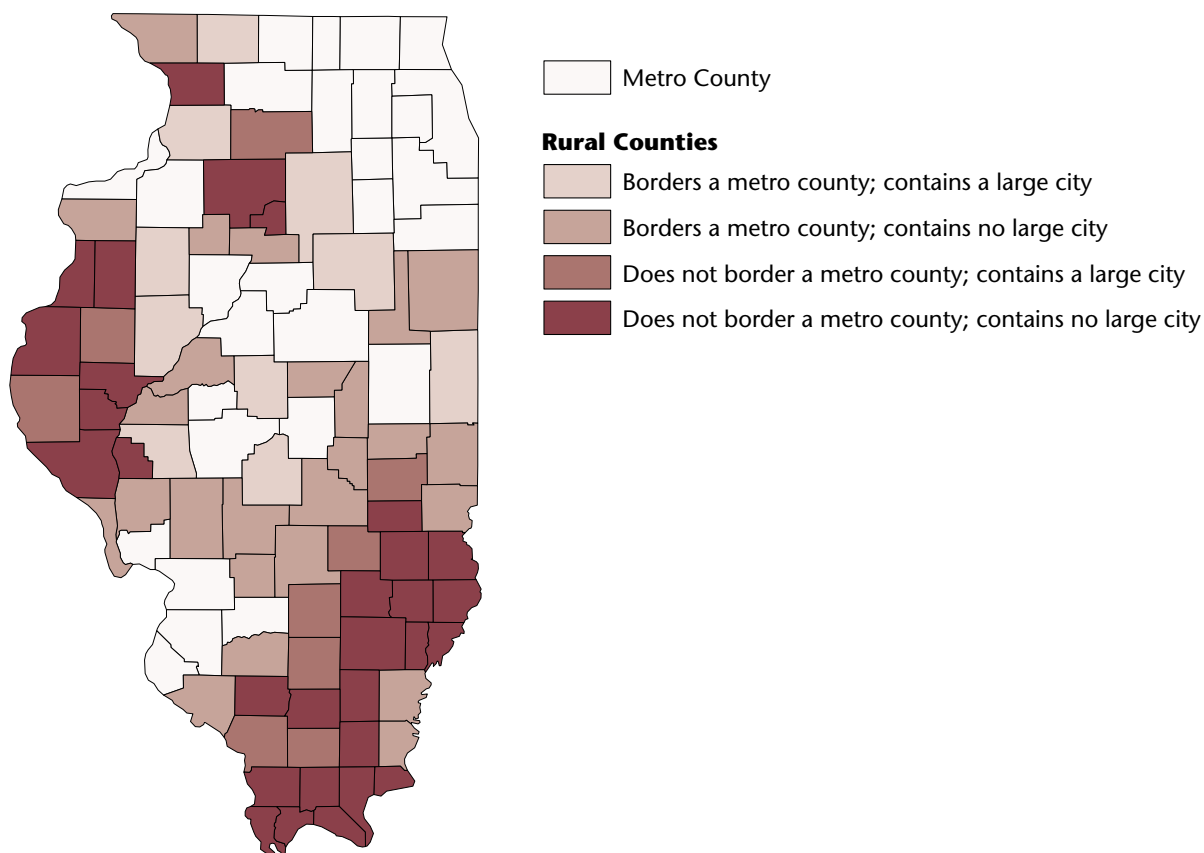
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Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in Rural Counties

	Type of rural county							
	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians	138	163	78	79	151	177	69	86
Generalist Physicians	59	52	52	46	56	62	44	48
Physicians – medical	13	20	5	2	11	19	3	5
Physicians – surgical	40	45	9	13	48	53	11	17
Physicians – other	9	10	1	3	11	10	5	6
Nongeneral surgeons	7	6	3	3	9	11	1	3
OB-GYNs	24	29	5	7	29	33	5	9
General surgeons	24	49	13	20	35	44	12	17
Dentists	52	46	34	27	44	44	37	35
PAs	9	11	8	14	1	16	4	15
Full-time RNs	228	155	105	82	209	234	96	118
Part-time RNs	218	166	89	75	171	210	49	97

ILLINOIS



2000 Demography

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (Rank)
Total population	10,541,708	1,877,585	12,419,293	8.7	5	8	5
% population > 65	11.3	16.5	12.1	-3.9	28	6	33
% population < 15	22.3	19.4	21.8	0.6	11	40	13
Per capita income (\$)	33,495	22,616	31,851	16.6	9	24	9
% families in poverty	7.8	8.0	7.8	-13.0	20	32	26

Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in 2000

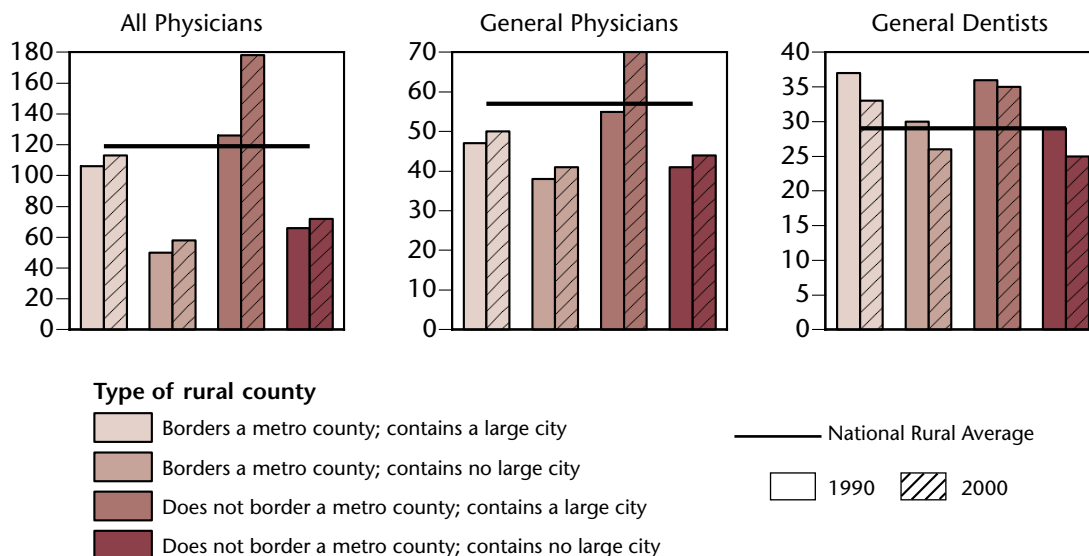
	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (rank)
Physicians	220	104	203	23.5	28	41	16
Generalist physicians	81	51	76	22.8	19	38	17
Medical specialists	38	10	34	52.3	26	31	13
Surgical specialists	45	24	42	7.3	39	30	27
General surgeons	9	8	9	-14.0	34	17	30
OB-GYNs	13	6	12	18.3	11	25	8
Other surgeons	23	10	21	13.1	47	37	39
Other specialists	62	21	56	33.1	31	40	20
Dentists	51	30	48	2.1	6	28	5
PAs	7	12	7	-8.8	45	31	43
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	285	228	277	-5.4	27	21	25
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	180	135	173	4.7	19	18	19

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Health Care Facilities and Access in Rural Counties in 2000

	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	10	25	9	30
Population	541,995	470,851	427,356	437,383
Short-term general hospitals	18	21	14	22
Hospital beds/100,000 persons	447	339	390	334
% pop. in persistent poverty counties	0	0	14.0	4.9
Per capita income (\$)	23,551	22,843	23,019	20,819
% families in poverty	7.1	6.8	9.0	9.3

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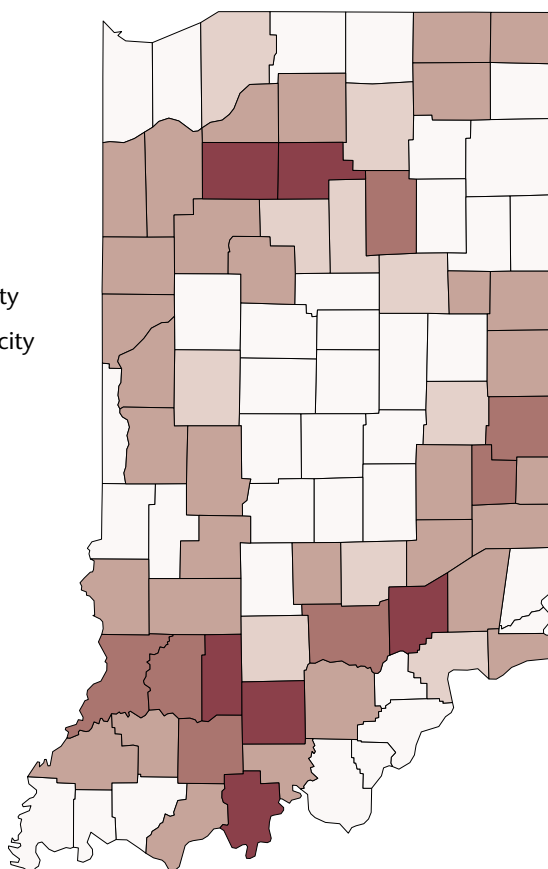
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	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians	106	113	50	58	126	178	66	72
Generalist physicians	47	50	38	41	55	70	41	44
Medical specialists	6	11	1	3	10	23	3	4
Surgical specialists	30	30	7	7	37	49	14	13
General surgeons	11	9	4	4	11	12	8	7
OB-GYNs	6	8	2	1	7	13	3	3
Other surgeons	12	13	1	1	19	23	4	4
Other specialists	23	23	3	7	24	42	8	12
Dentists	37	33	30	26	36	35	29	25
PAs	9	8	7	12	11	17	0	11
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	290	242	120	146	311	366	163	166
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	163	184	47	83	118	180	70	88

INDIANA

 Metro County

Rural Counties

-  Borders a metro county; contains a large city
-  Borders a metro county; contains no large city
-  Does not border a metro county; contains a large city
-  Does not border a metro county; contains no large city

**2000 Demography**

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (Rank)
Total population	4,389,903	1,690,582	6,080,485	9.7	17	13	14
% population > 65	11.9	13.7	12.4	-1.4	19	32	28
% population < 15	21.6	21.4	21.5	-1.8	22	13	18
Per capita income (\$)	28,238	23,518	26,926	16.0	36	15	29
% families in poverty	6.8	6.4	6.7	-15.7	30	42	37

Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in 2000

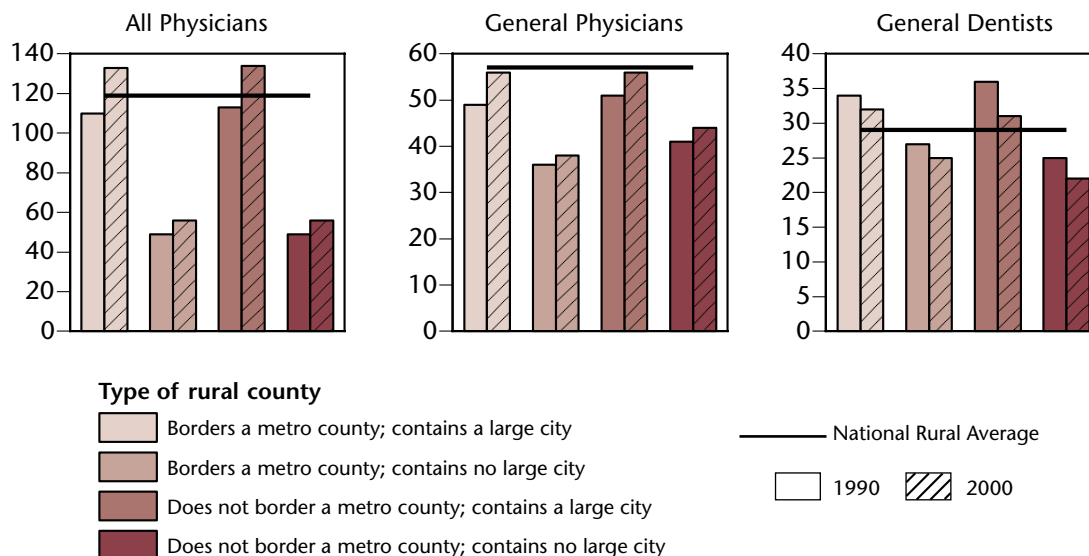
	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (rank)
Physicians	198	95	170	28.3	43	44	39
Generalist physicians	69	47	63	18.9	38	44	39
Medical specialists	34	9	27	78.9	35	36	30
Surgical specialists	44	19	37	14.9	43	41	45
General surgeons	9	6	8	-9.8	40	42	42
OB-GYNs	10	5	9	27.2	44	36	39
Other surgeons	25	8	21	22.8	40	43	42
Other specialists	57	22	48	44.6	39	37	34
Dentists	37	28	34	-3.2	37	31	35
PAs	5	2	5	-57.0	48	46	48
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	329	180	288	-7.9	18	33	20
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	226	100	191	54.4	12	29	12

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Health Care Facilities and Access in Rural Counties in 2000

	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	10	32	7	6
Population	569,777	728,681	281,730	110,394
Short-term general hospitals	12	20	8	5
Hospital beds/100,000 persons	284	133	361	154
% pop. in persistent poverty counties	0	0	0	0
Per capita income (\$)	24,552	22,473	24,808	21,786
% families in poverty	6.3	6.2	7.3	6.8

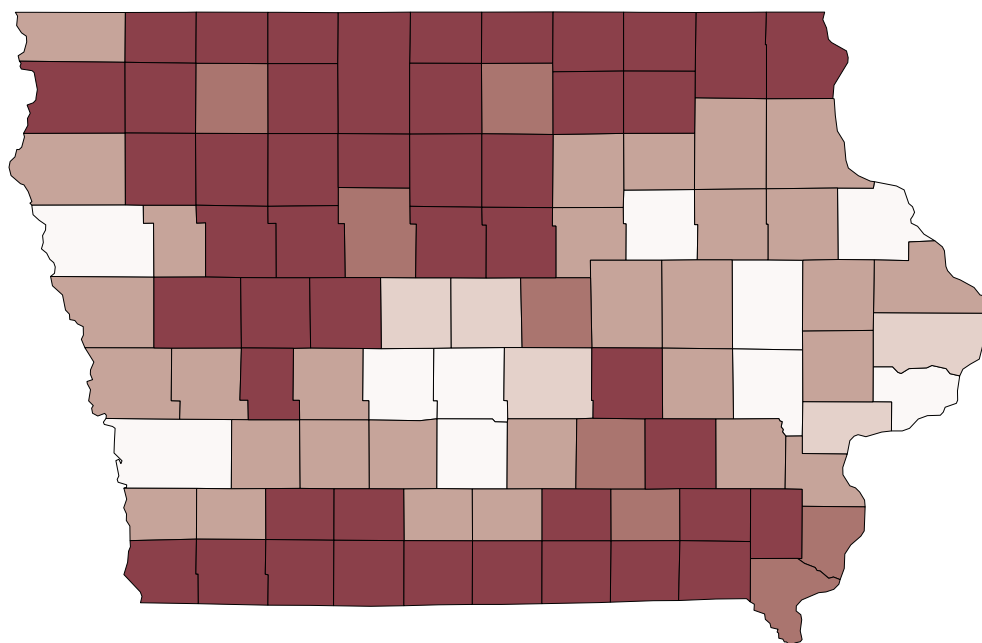
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Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in Rural Counties





	Type of rural county							
	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians	110	133	49	56	113	134	49	56
Generalist physicians	49	56	36	38	51	56	41	44
Medical specialists	6	15	1	3	7	17	0	2
Surgical specialists	30	33	6	7	29	29	4	5
General surgeons	9	9	4	3	10	9	4	3
OB-GYNs	7	8	1	2	6	6	0	1
Other surgeons	14	16	1	1	13	14	0	1
Other specialists	25	33	6	9	26	40	4	6
Dentists	34	32	27	25	36	31	25	22
PAs	7	2	8	2	3	4	0	2
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	210	220	86	100	287	316	109	151
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	96	118	54	54	101	191	44	72

IOWA



 Metro County

Rural Counties

-  Borders a metro county; contains a large city
-  Borders a metro county; contains no large city
-  Does not border a metro county; contains a large city
-  Does not border a metro county; contains no large city

2000 Demography

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (Rank)
Total population	1,326,133	1,600,191	2,926,324	5.4	33	14	30
% population > 65	11.9	17.4	14.9	-2.9	18	4	4
% population < 15	21.0	20.2	20.6	-5.9	33	30	36
Per capita income (\$)	28,839	24,428	26,427	15.5	30	11	32
% families in poverty	5.8	6.2	6.0	-28.3	44	44	46

Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in 2000

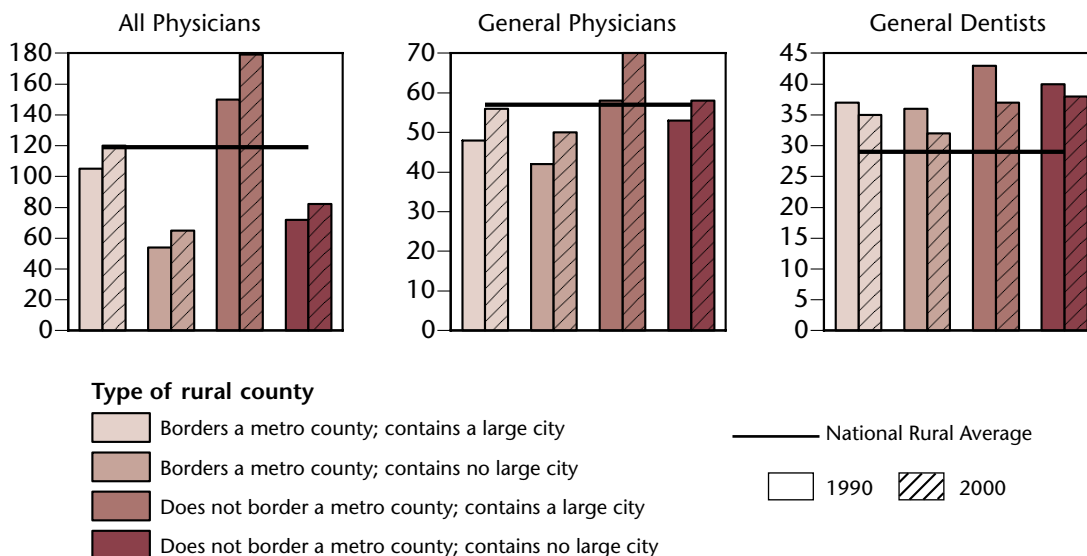
	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (rank)
Physicians	244	99	165	22.9	14	42	43
Generalist physicians	85	58	70	21.6	17	29	30
Medical specialists	48	10	27	44.1	13	34	32
Surgical specialists	51	17	33	7.9	26	46	50
General surgeons	10	6	8	-16.9	30	41	44
OB-GYNs	10	3	6	18.9	46	49	50
Other surgeons	31	8	19	18.8	17	44	48
Other specialists	72	19	43	54.2	12	42	45
Dentists	41	35	38	-7.3	27	18	26
PAs	19	16	17	81.4	18	22	21
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	411	235	315	-0.2	6	19	14
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	334	145	231	4.5	5	17	9

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Health Care Facilities and Access in Rural Counties in 2000

	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	5	30	8	46
Population	235,289	490,353	282,154	592,395
Short-term general hospitals	7	28	9	50
Hospital beds/100,000 persons	421	277	433	435
% pop. in persistent poverty counties	0	0	0	0
Per capita income (\$)	26,101	23,892	24,997	23,937
% families in poverty	5.9	5.6	7.3	6.3

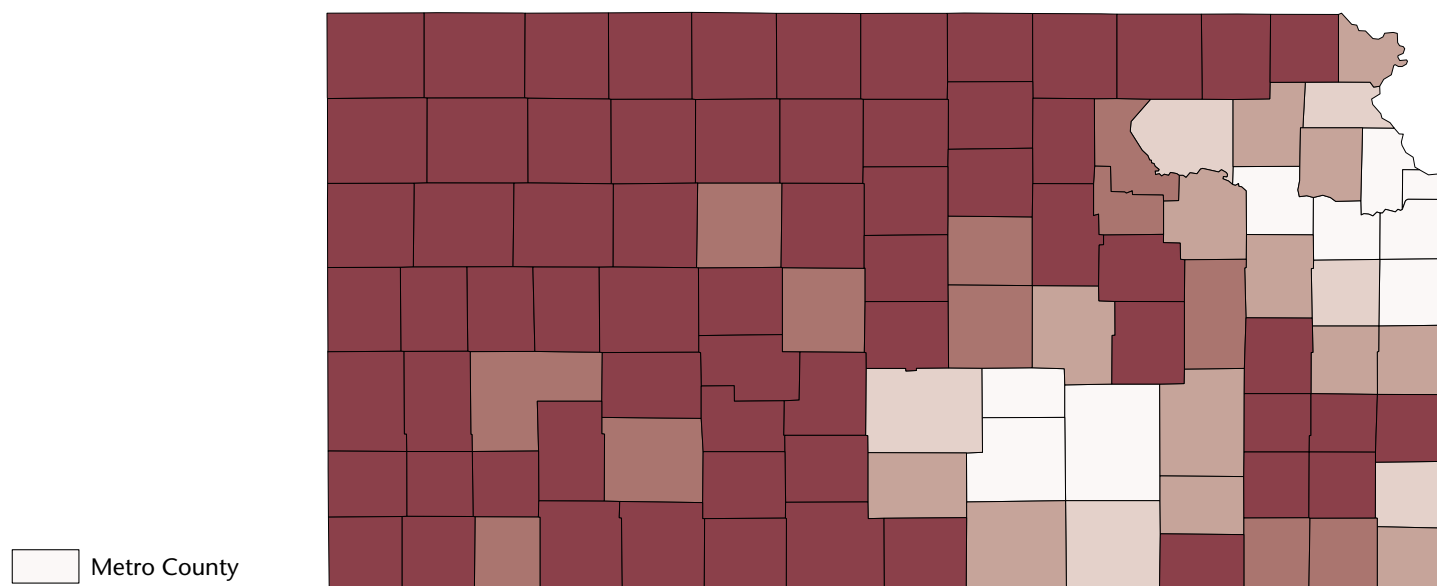
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Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in Rural Counties

	Type of rural county							
	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians	105	120	54	65	150	179	72	82
Generalist physicians	48	56	42	50	58	70	53	58
Medical specialists	11	17	1	4	12	21	3	6
Surgical specialists	25	26	5	5	47	47	9	11
General surgeons	6	6	4	3	12	9	7	7
OB-GYNs	5	7	0	1	9	11	1	0
Other surgeons	14	14	0	1	26	27	1	3
Other specialists	21	24	6	8	33	49	7	11
Dentists	37	35	36	32	43	37	40	38
PAs	20	12	9	20	7	16	8	14
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	215	226	110	138	318	441	168	221
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	149	162	89	102	282	251	141	123

KANSAS

**Rural Counties**

- Borders a metro county; contains a large city
- Borders a metro county; contains no large city
- Does not border a metro county; contains a large city
- Does not border a metro county; contains no large city

2000 Demography

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (Rank)
Total population	1,521,063	1,167,355	2,688,418	8.5	32	22	32
% population > 65	11.1	16.0	13.3	-4.2	31	9	17
% population < 15	22.5	21.1	21.9	-3.8	7	18	11
Per capita income (\$)	30,970	22,648	27,356	14.3	15	23	28
% families in poverty	5.6	8.0	6.7	-19.6	46	30	36

Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in 2000

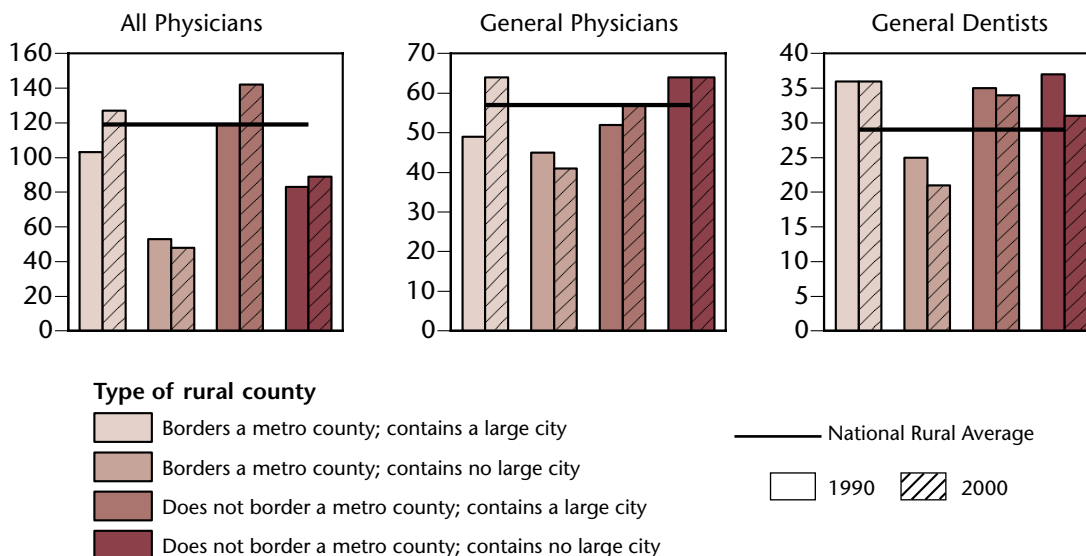
	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (rank)
Physicians	236	109	181	22.2	18	37	30
Generalist physicians	85	58	74	21.4	15	28	25
Medical specialists	39	9	26	44.3	25	38	36
Surgical specialists	47	24	37	9.9	35	35	46
General surgeons	9	8	9	-18.5	38	13	36
OB-GYNs	11	5	8	21.1	37	39	43
Other surgeons	28	11	20	23.6	32	35	43
Other specialists	71	21	50	34.5	14	38	30
Dentists	41	32	37	-7.1	28	25	28
PAs	17	18	17	76.3	22	17	20
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	279	280	280	-1.0	29	6	24
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	166	125	148	7.6	24	21	25

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Health Care Facilities and Access in Rural Counties in 2000

	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	6	13	12	65
Population	199,090	162,128	420,166	385,971
Short-term general hospitals	9	10	20	69
Hospital beds/100,000 persons	425	294	387	848
% pop. in persistent poverty counties	0	0	0	0
Per capita income (\$)	22,478	21,394	23,157	22,708
% families in poverty	8.1	7.6	8.6	7.6

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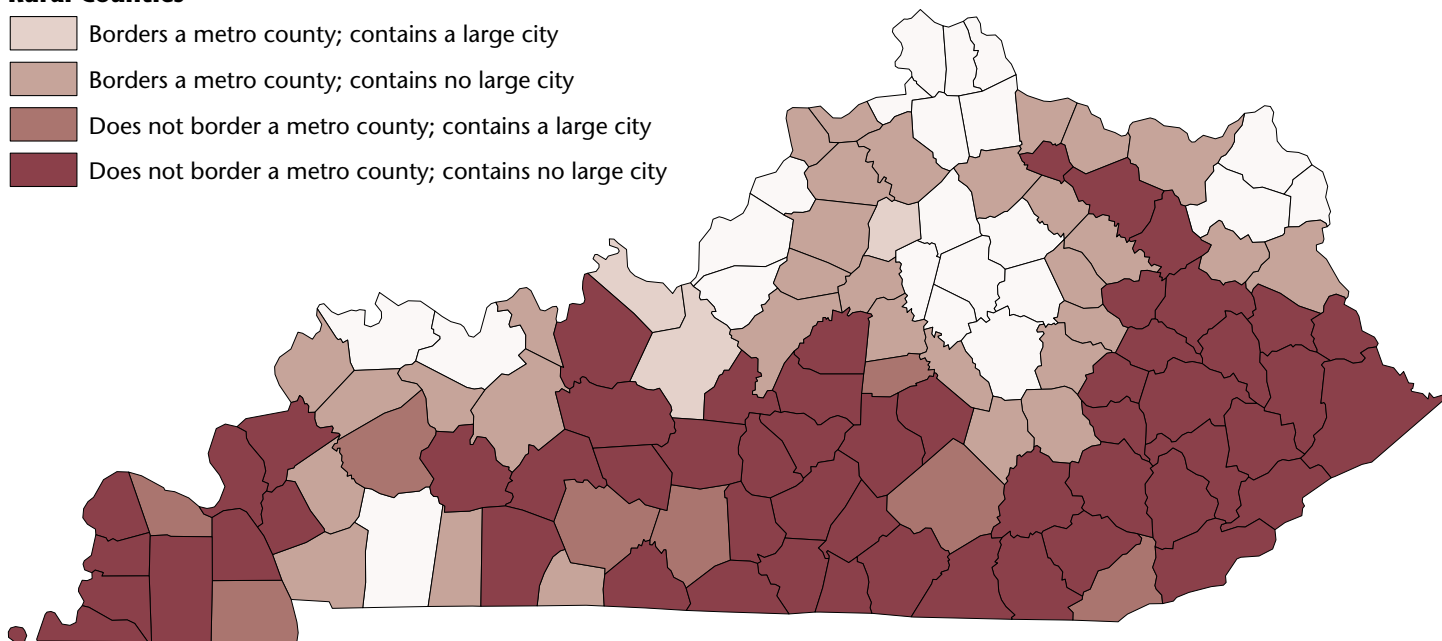
	Type of rural county							
	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians	103	127	53	48	119	142	83	89
Generalist physicians	49	64	45	41	52	57	64	64
Medical specialists	9	15	2	2	6	13	2	4
Surgical specialists	28	29	2	2	38	41	10	11
General surgeons	9	9	2	1	12	11	7	8
OB-GYNs	6	5	0	0	8	10	1	1
Other surgeons	13	15	0	1	17	20	2	3
Other specialists	16	23	4	4	23	36	7	12
Dentists	36	36	25	21	35	34	37	31
PAs	15	17	3	11	5	16	5	22
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	180	264	72	96	334	348	205	291
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	140	154	42	41	126	139	106	130

KENTUCKY

 Metro County

Rural Counties

-  Borders a metro county; contains a large city
-  Borders a metro county; contains no large city
-  Does not border a metro county; contains a large city
-  Does not border a metro county; contains no large city



2000 Demography

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (Rank)
Total population	1,973,102	2,068,667	4,041,769	9.7	29	5	25
% population > 65	11.8	13.2	12.5	-1.4	20	38	27
% population < 15	20.7	20.1	20.4	-5.0	40	31	41
Per capita income (\$)	28,285	20,077	24,084	18.1	34	39	39
% families in poverty	8.9	16.0	12.7	-20.8	16	5	5

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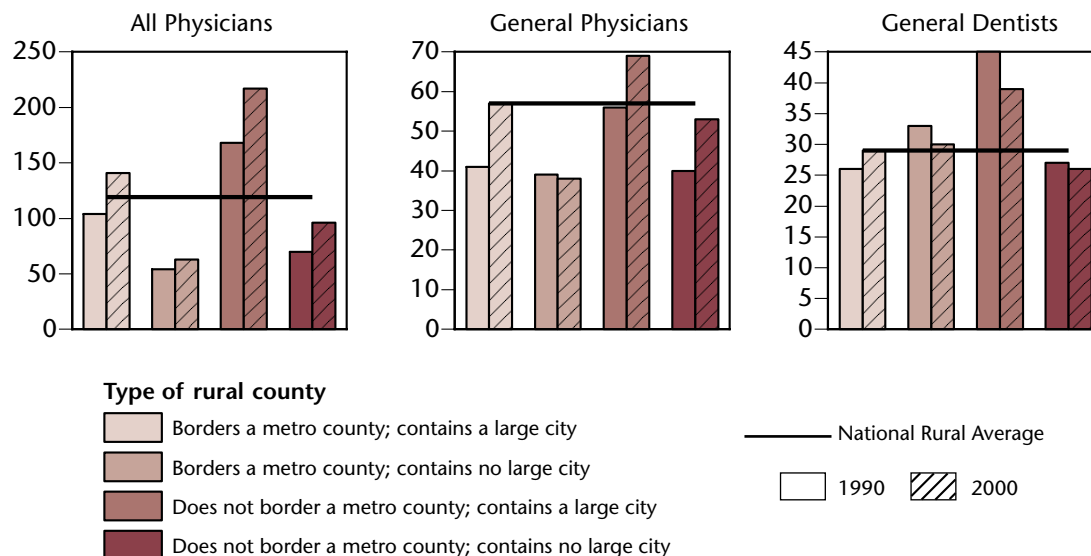
	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (rank)
Physicians	233	115	173	27.2	20	26	35
Generalist physicians	74	53	63	22.1	31	36	38
Medical specialists	40	13	26	65.0	23	20	34
Surgical specialists	56	25	40	13.4	13	25	35
General surgeons	12	8	10	-3.7	13	23	19
OB-GYNs	11	7	9	15.3	34	20	37
Other surgeons	33	11	22	22.6	10	34	38
Other specialists	69	25	46	36.1	16	32	37
Dentists	45	30	37	-5.9	19	29	27
PAs	17	9	13	39.2	23	35	30
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	400	278	338	8.8	9	7	6
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	174	78	125	39.1	22	40	33

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Health Care Facilities and Access in Rural Counties in 2000

	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	3	32	8	55
Population	168,210	484,767	390,739	1,024,951
Short-term general hospitals	3	18	11	39
Hospital beds/100,000 persons	276	245	701	332
% pop. in persistent poverty counties	0	31.2	22.1	71.9
Per capita income (\$)	24,047	20,278	23,231	18,128
% families in poverty	8.0	12.8	13.0	19.9

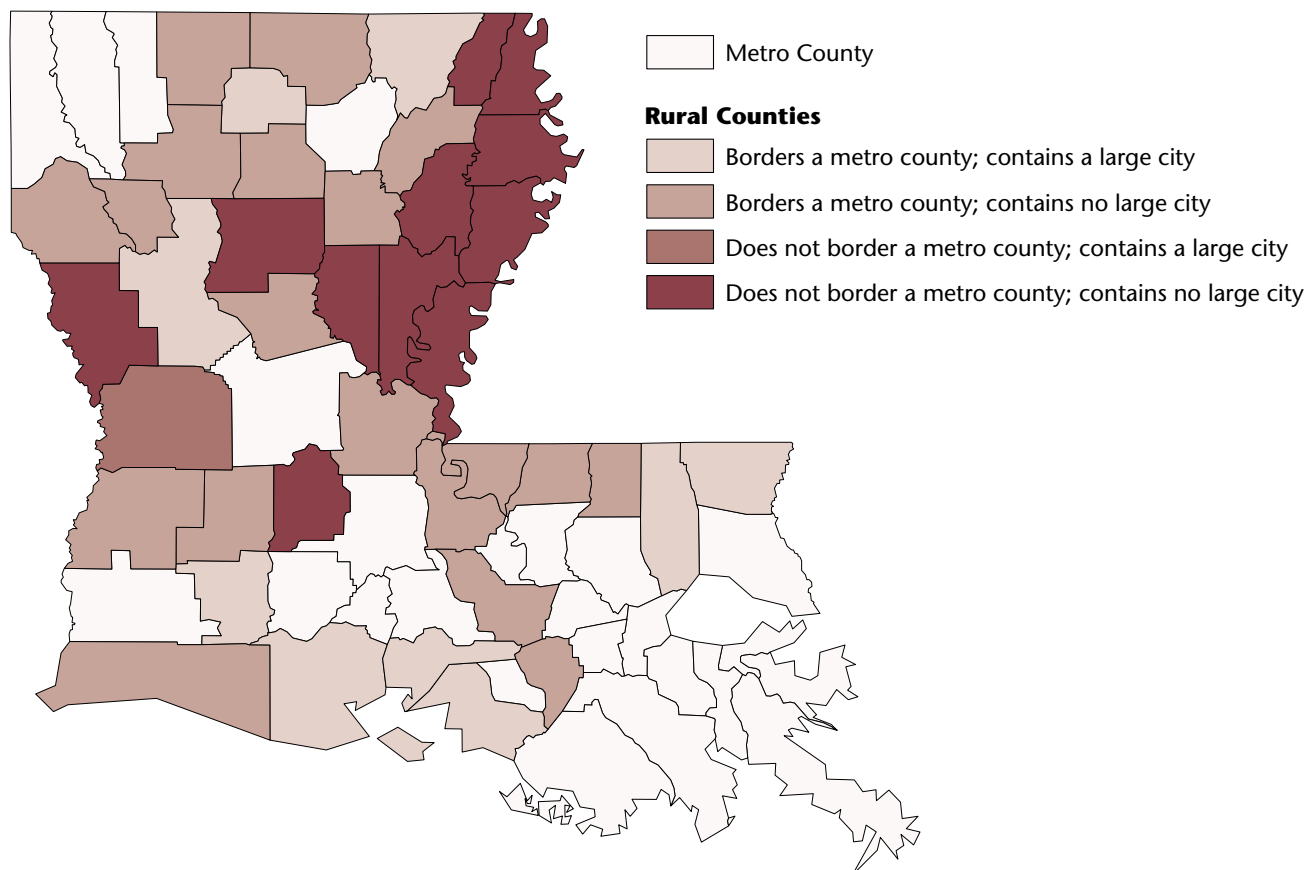
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Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in Rural Counties

	Type of rural county							
	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians	104	141	54	63	168	217	70	96
Generalist physicians	41	57	39	38	56	69	40	53
Medical specialists	8	17	1	5	17	34	3	8
Surgical specialists	27	33	9	10	55	62	15	17
General surgeons	7	8	5	4	13	16	7	6
OB-GYNs	7	11	3	3	14	16	3	5
Other surgeons	13	14	1	3	28	30	5	6
Other specialists	26	36	6	11	38	56	11	18
Dentists	26	29	33	30	45	39	27	26
PAs	1	20	6	6	18	10	8	8
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	238	282	98	148	425	525	159	244
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	132	128	38	51	175	180	32	44

LOUISIANA



2000 Demography

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (Rank)
Total population	3,370,210	1,098,766	4,468,976	5.9	23	25	22
% population > 65	11.2	12.6	11.6	4.1	29	41	39
% population < 15	22.4	22.4	22.4	-8.6	8	7	9
Per capita income (\$)	24,545	18,629	23,090	15.2	50	46	45
% families in poverty	14.6	19.2	15.8	-18.7	1	1	2

Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in 2000

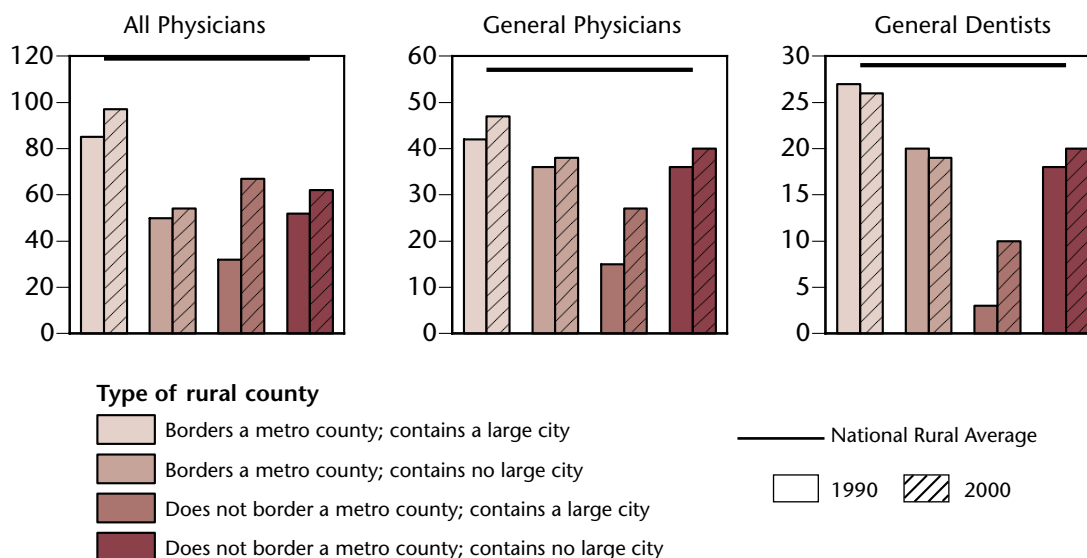
	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (rank)
Physicians	222	74	186	27.0	26	49	29
Generalist physicians	66	42	60	23.7	42	49	45
Medical specialists	38	6	30	65.0	27	47	20
Surgical specialists	61	16	50	9.9	8	48	8
General surgeons	12	5	10	-4.9	17	47	17
OB-GYNs	14	5	11	9.5	7	41	12
Other surgeons	35	7	28	16.5	6	48	7
Other specialists	62	11	49	38.4	32	49	31
Dentists	37	22	33	1.0	38	44	38
PAs	7	4	6	-40.8	44	45	45
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	400	188	348	21.3	10	31	5
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	134	64	117	70.0	37	44	37

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Health Care Facilities and Access in Rural Counties in 2000

	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	9	19	1	11
Population	469,132	392,523	52,531	184,580
Short-term general hospitals	16	19	2	10
Hospital beds/100,000 persons	288	221	223	448
% pop. in persistent poverty counties	54.8	89.1	0	100.0
Per capita income (\$)	19,184	18,653	20,157	16,731
% families in poverty	19.2	18.6	12.2	22.6

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Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in Rural Counties

	Type of rural county							
	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians	85	97	50	54	32	67	52	62
Generalist physicians	42	47	36	38	15	27	36	40
Medical specialists	2	8	1	3	3	13	1	5
Surgical specialists	26	26	8	7	8	15	8	10
General surgeons	8	6	4	3	3	2	4	5
OB-GYNs	8	7	3	2	2	4	1	3
Other surgeons	10	13	2	2	3	10	2	2
Other specialists	14	16	6	7	6	15	7	8
Dentists	27	26	20	19	3	10	18	20
PAs	0	2	4	1	19	32	7	3
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	166	227	94	123	158	274	141	205
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	57	72	24	55	23	38	30	73

MAINE

 Metro County

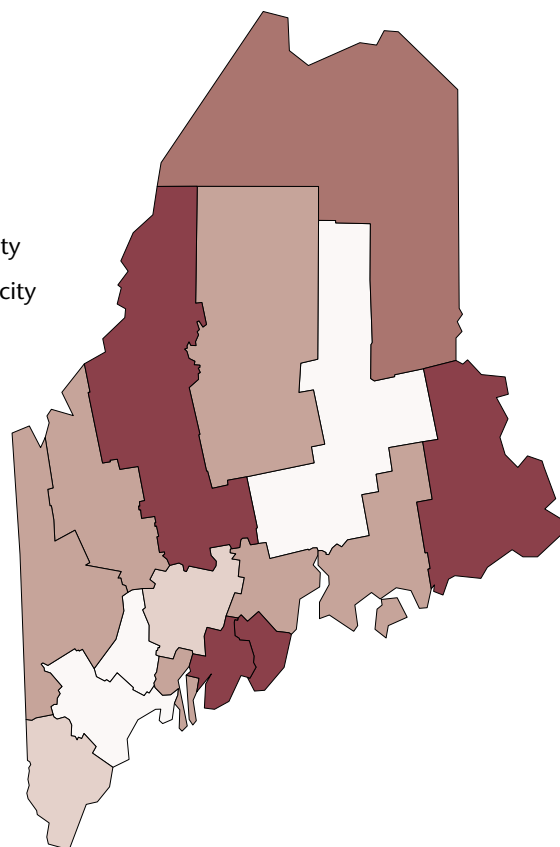
Rural Counties

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**2000 Demography**

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (Rank)
Total population	514,324	760,599	1,274,923	3.8	43	33	40
% population > 65	13.5	15.0	14.4	8.1	8	18	7
% population < 15	19.2	19.4	19.3	-8.5	48	41	48
Per capita income (\$)	27,926	23,658	25,379	10.3	37	14	36
% families in poverty	7.0	8.3	7.8	-2.3	29	28	28

Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in 2000

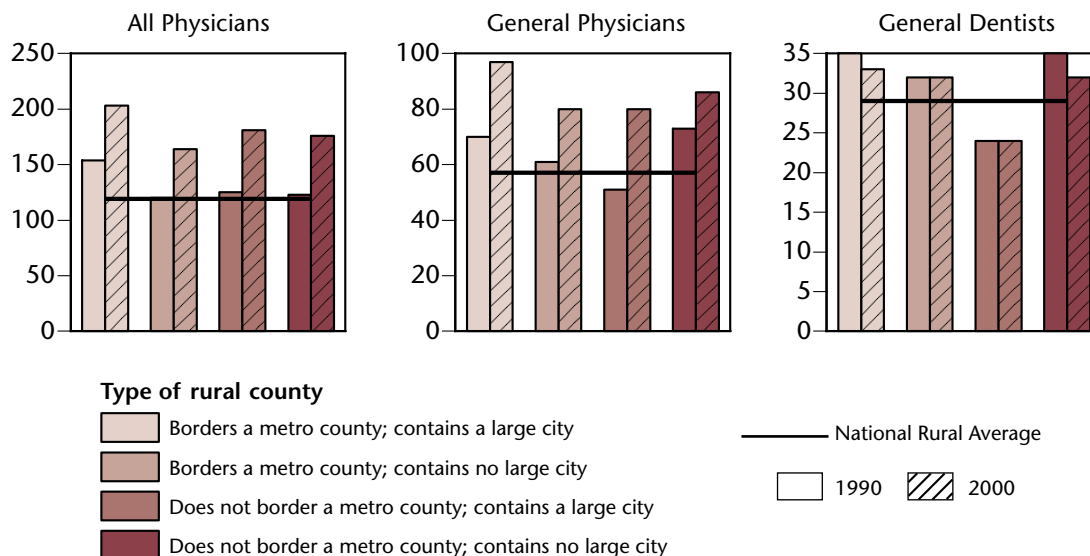
	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (rank)
Physicians	323	184	240	40.4	2	5	9
Generalist physicians	114	88	99	38.9	1	2	1
Medical specialists	58	16	33	39.6	2	13	14
Surgical specialists	61	35	46	17.6	7	10	15
General surgeons	14	10	11	3.6	3	6	8
OB-GYNs	13	8	10	19.4	14	12	29
Other surgeons	35	18	25	24.5	7	12	16
Other specialists	101	46	68	79.4	2	6	8
Dentists	42	32	36	-0.6	24	24	31
PAs	37	25	30	160.7	2	5	4
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	343	262	295	9.0	15	10	18
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	283	196	231	12.9	7	5	8

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Health Care Facilities and Access in Rural Counties in 2000

	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	2	6	1	4
Population	303,856	224,742	73,938	158,063
Short-term general hospitals	6	10	4	7
Hospital beds/100,000 persons	311	204	486	262
% pop. in persistent poverty counties	0	0	0	0
Per capita income (\$)	25,303	22,889	20,837	22,908
% families in poverty	6.9	8.7	9.8	9.6

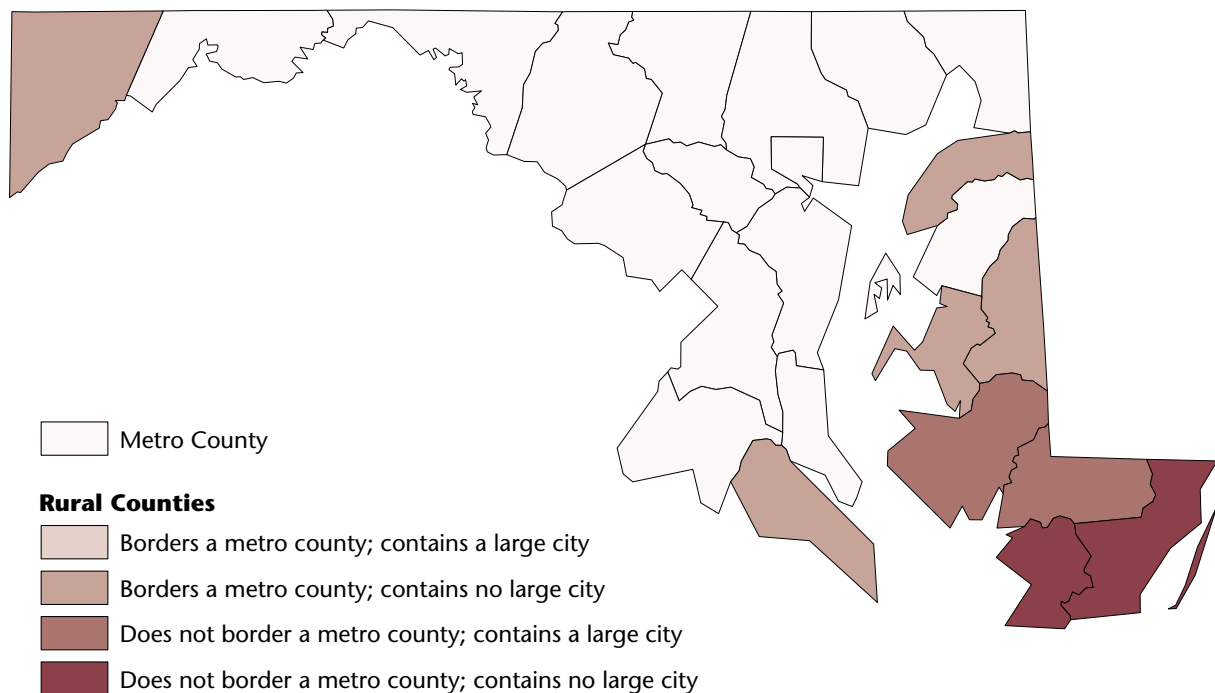
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Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in Rural Counties

	Type of rural county							
	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians	154	203	120	164	125	181	123	176
Generalist physicians	70	97	61	80	51	80	73	86
Medical specialists	20	23	7	10	7	7	4	16
Surgical specialists	34	33	27	36	37	45	26	35
General surgeons	9	8	10	10	12	16	9	8
OB-GYNs	8	7	5	8	9	11	5	8
Other surgeons	17	18	12	18	16	18	12	20
Other specialists	30	50	25	42	30	49	18	40
Dentists	35	33	32	32	24	24	35	32
PAs	20	19	8	31	6	27	9	28
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	291	270	222	201	211	436	206	254
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	161	238	94	182	145	254	55	108

MARYLAND



2000 Demography

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (Rank)
Total population	4,911,040	385,446	5,296,486	10.8	14	40	19
% population > 65	11.1	14.5	11.3	4.5	33	23	40
% population < 15	21.6	20.0	21.5	3.9	23	36	19
Per capita income (\$)	30,495	25,927	30,163	13.3	19	7	12
% families in poverty	5.9	8.0	6.1	1.4	39	31	45

Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in 2000

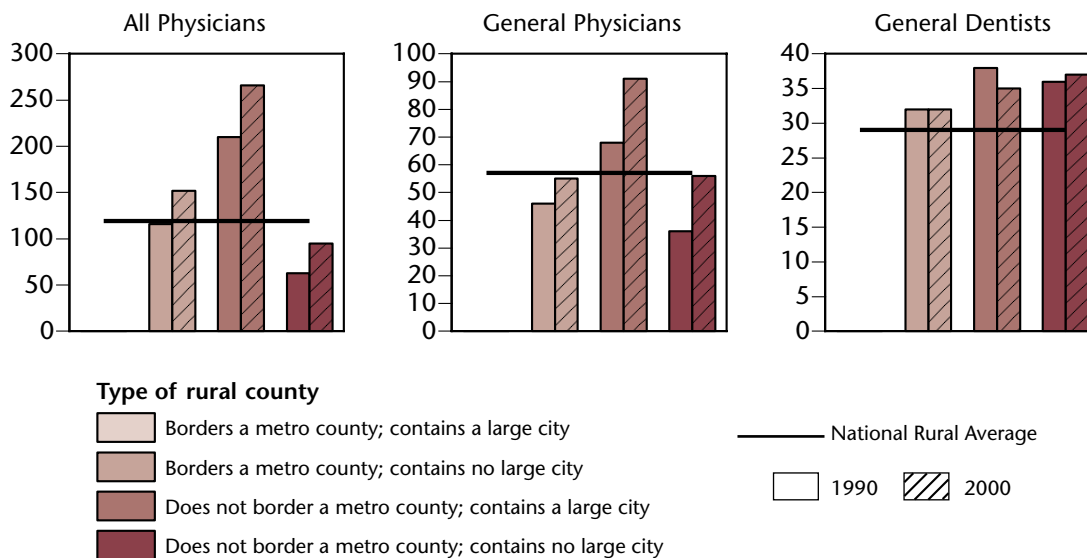
	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (rank)
Physicians	273	176	266	25.9	7	6	3
Generalist physicians	90	66	88	28.8	10	13	7
Medical specialists	48	27	46	55.2	10	3	5
Surgical specialists	60	42	59	8.4	10	4	2
General surgeons	12	10	12	-6.6	10	4	4
OB-GYNs	15	11	15	8.1	3	1	3
Other surgeons	33	20	32	15.5	11	6	2
Other specialists	80	43	78	26.3	8	9	3
Dentists	47	34	46	-1.2	14	20	10
PA's	21	12	20	47.9	13	30	12
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	236	204	234	-6.4	38	26	38
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	163	98	158	21.8	26	30	23

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Health Care Facilities and Access in Rural Counties in 2000

	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	0	5	2	2
Population	...	198,838	115,318	71,290
Short-term general hospitals	...	4	2	2
Hospital beds/100,000 persons	...	182	338	184
% pop. in persistent poverty counties	...	0	0	0
Per capita income (\$)	...	28,476	23,371	22,952
% families in poverty	...	6.9	9.1	9.4

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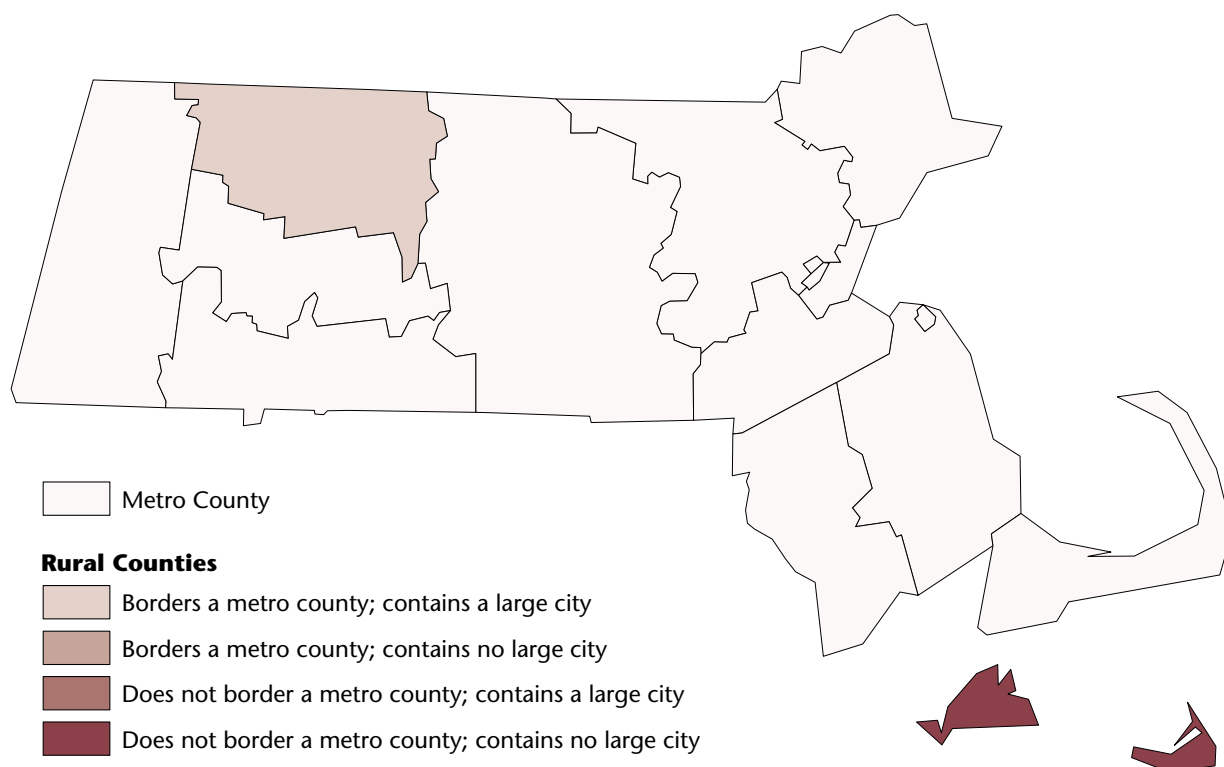


Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in Rural Counties

	Type of rural county							
	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians	116	152	210	266	63	95
Generalist physicians	46	55	68	91	36	56
Medical specialists	11	22	24	50	2	6
Surgical specialists	35	38	68	67	7	10
General surgeons	11	9	21	17	3	3
OB-GYNs	9	11	15	14	3	6
Other surgeons	15	18	32	36	0	1
Other specialists	25	38	47	62	19	25
Dentists	32	32	38	35	36	37
PAAs	3	7	34	22	12	11
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	205	176	307	291	42	142
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	120	91	125	147	2	39

... No counties of this type

MASSACHUSETTS



2000 Demography

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (Rank)
Total population	6,253,055	96,042	6,349,097	5.5	10	48	13
% population > 65	13.5	13.9	13.5	-0.5	7	30	12
% population < 15	19.9	18.7	19.8	4.8	44	45	44
Per capita income (\$)	37,825	30,098	37,708	23.3	2	3	2
% families in poverty	6.7	6.0	6.7	-1.2	32	45	39

Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in 2000

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (rank)
Physicians	282	138	280	32.9	4	16	1
Generalist physicians	91	61	90	37.4	8	17	5
Medical specialists	50	15	50	68.9	7	16	3
Surgical specialists	56	23	55	11.1	14	36	4
General surgeons	12	8	12	-8.7	16	12	5
OB-GYNs	13	5	13	26.7	13	34	6
Other surgeons	31	9	31	14.7	19	39	3
Other specialists	90	40	89	33.6	3	12	1
Dentists	48	40	48	-5.6	9	10	6
PAs	14	12	14	87.6	29	27	28
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	232	87	229	-9.8	39	47	39
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	274	203	273	26.9	8	3	4

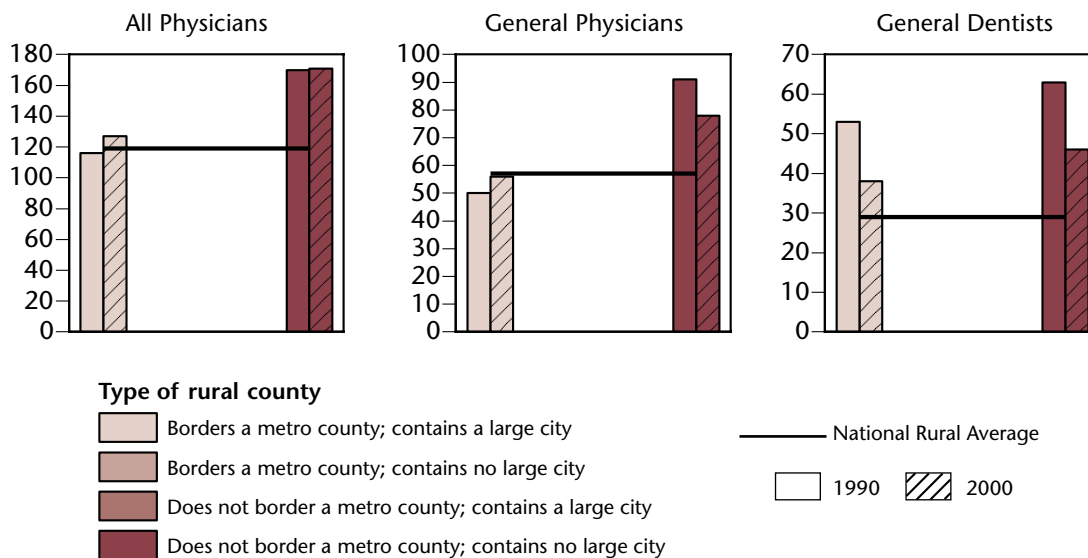
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MASSACHUSETTS

Health Care Facilities and Access in Rural Counties in 2000

	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	1	0	0	2
Population	71,535	...	...	24,507
Short-term general hospitals	1	...	...	2
Hospital beds/100,000 persons	119	...	...	180
% pop. in persistent poverty counties	0	0
Per capita income (\$)	27,577	37,458
% families in poverty	6.5	4.3

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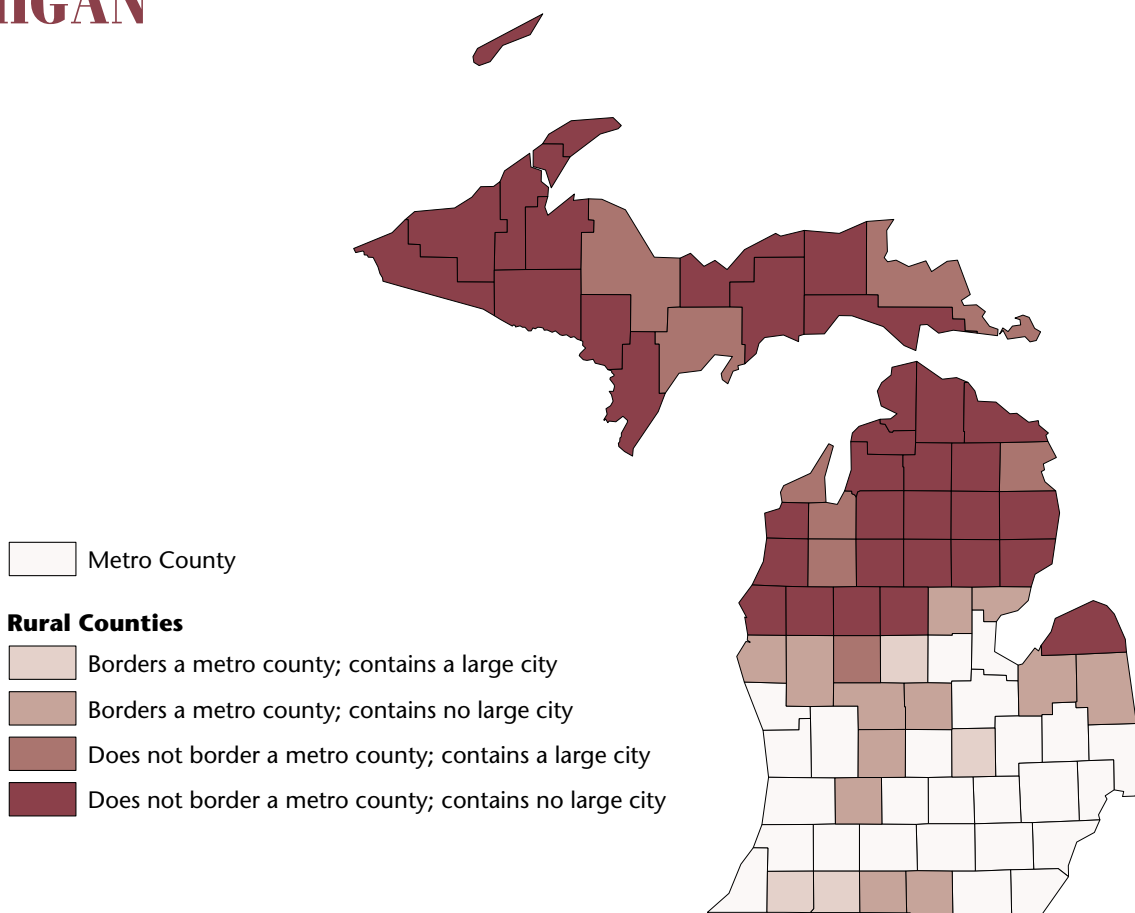


Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in Rural Counties

	Type of rural county							
	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians	116	127	...	...	...	...	170	171
Generalist physicians	50	56	...	...	...	...	91	78
Medical specialists	7	17	...	...	...	...	0	8
Surgical specialists	27	20	...	...	...	...	40	33
General surgeons	7	6	...	...	...	...	23	16
OB-GYNs	6	4	...	...	...	...	11	8
Other surgeons	14	10	...	...	...	...	6	8
Other specialists	31	35	...	...	...	...	40	53
Dentists	53	38	...	...	...	...	63	46
PAs	7	8	...	...	...	...	17	24
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	90	50	...	...	...	...	190	196
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	219	222	...	...	...	...	0	147

... No counties of this type

MICHIGAN



2000 Demography

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (Rank)
Total population	8,169,466	1,768,978	9,938,444	6.9	9	11	8
% population > 65	11.7	14.9	12.3	2.9	22	19	30
% population < 15	22.2	20.0	21.8	-1.8	12	34	14
Per capita income (\$)	30,774	21,501	29,124	16.2	17	31	16
% families in poverty	7.4	7.3	7.4	-27.5	25	39	32

Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in 2000

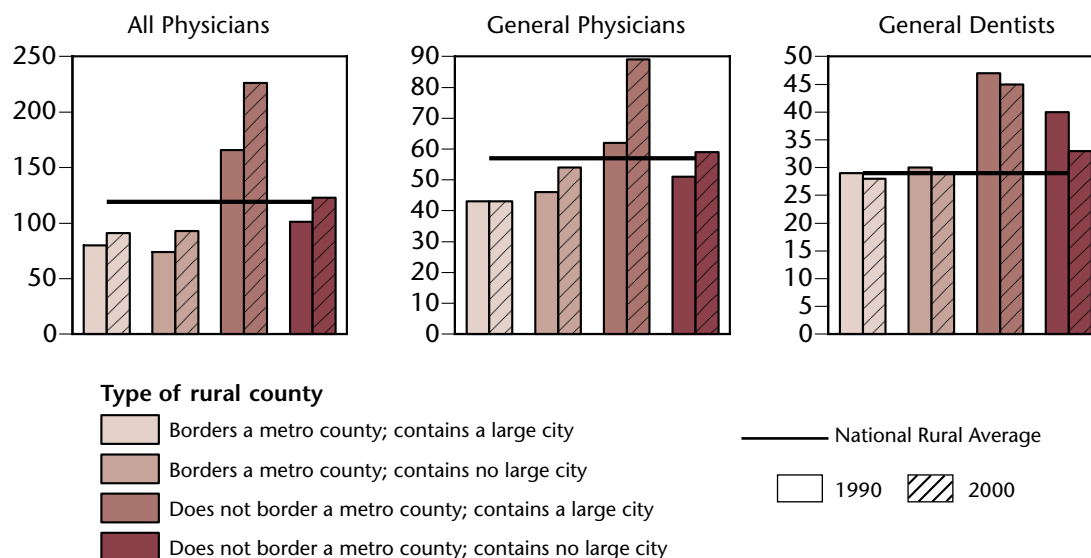
	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (rank)
Physicians	230	130	212	25.0	21	20	12
Generalist physicians	87	61	83	26.6	12	19	10
Medical specialists	48	20	43	38.0	11	8	8
Surgical specialists	43	25	40	7.9	44	27	37
General surgeons	9	8	9	-11.9	39	19	35
OB-GYNs	12	6	11	11.7	20	27	15
Other surgeons	22	11	20	17.1	48	31	46
Other specialists	70	34	64	71.4	15	17	10
Dentists	46	34	44	-8.7	16	21	15
PAs	16	17	16	68.2	24	20	22
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	279	175	260	0.3	30	35	31
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	169	161	168	2.1	23	12	21

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Health Care Facilities and Access in Rural Counties in 2000

	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	4	12	8	34
Population	248,564	534,990	342,821	642,603
Short-term general hospitals	5	17	9	28
Hospital beds/100,000 persons	148	204	344	319
% pop. in persistent poverty counties	0	0	0	1.8
Per capita income (\$)	21,958	20,720	23,450	20,936
% families in poverty	6.9	7.0	6.4	8.2

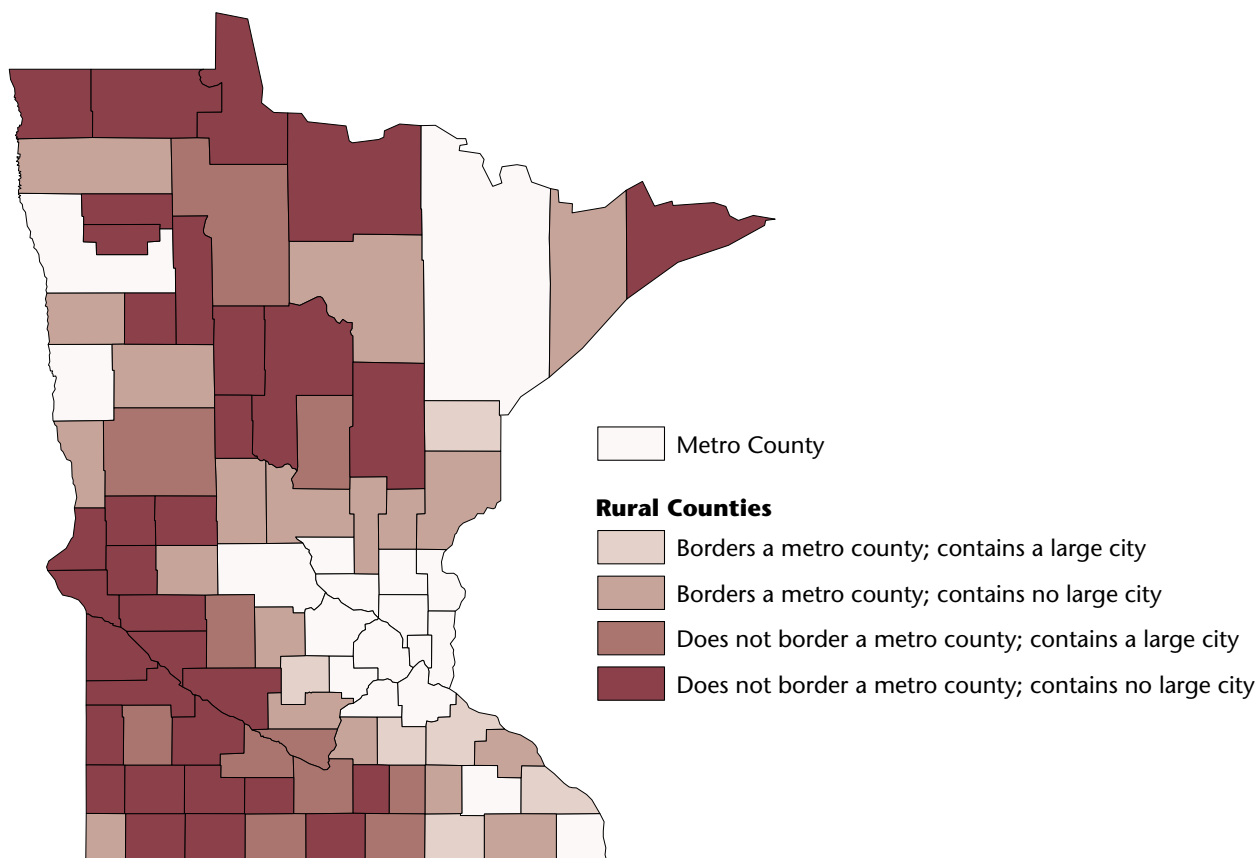
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Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in Rural Counties

	Type of rural county							
	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians	80	91	74	93	166	226	101	123
Generalist physicians	43	43	46	54	62	89	51	59
Medical specialists	8	13	8	14	23	40	9	19
Surgical specialists	18	19	14	15	39	46	23	24
General surgeons	7	6	7	6	10	11	9	8
OB-GYNs	5	6	3	4	8	9	5	6
Other surgeons	6	8	4	5	21	26	9	10
Other specialists	11	22	7	20	41	68	18	32
Dentists	29	28	30	29	47	45	40	33
PAs	7	19	8	14	10	26	10	14
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	113	144	107	136	189	208	175	201
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	72	104	82	93	345	354	136	137

MINNESOTA



2000 Demography

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (Rank)
Total population	3,463,360	1,456,119	4,919,479	12.4	22	17	21
% population > 65	10.2	16.5	12.1	-3.4	42	7	32
% population < 15	22.0	20.5	21.6	-5.3	15	25	17
Per capita income (\$)	35,218	24,135	31,937	21.2	6	13	8
% families in poverty	4.5	6.3	5.1	-30.2	49	43	49

Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in 2000

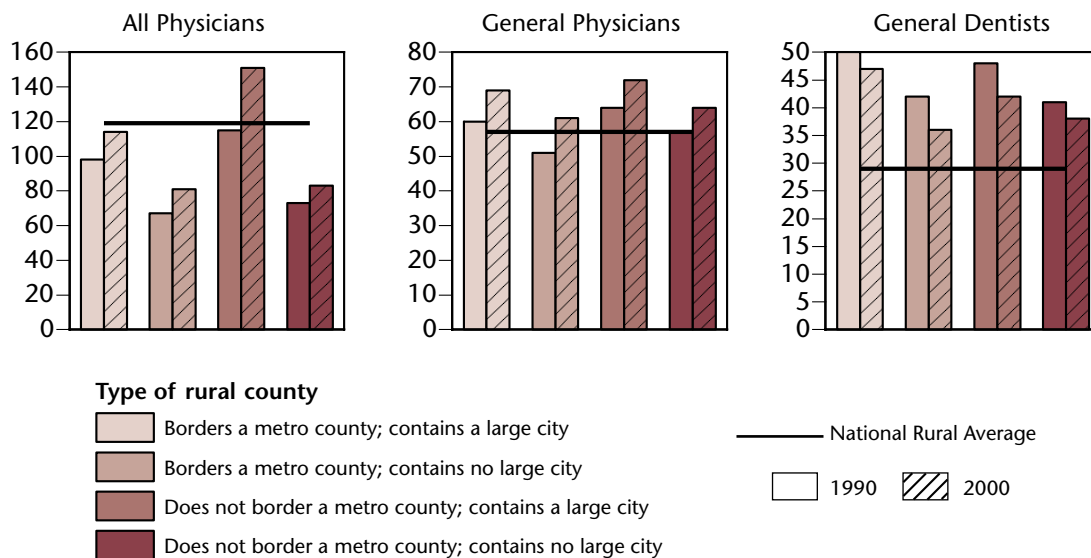
	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (rank)
Physicians	234	107	196	24.7	19	38	22
Generalist physicians	86	66	80	21.4	14	12	13
Medical specialists	40	6	30	50.1	22	46	21
Surgical specialists	47	19	39	8.8	38	43	40
General surgeons	8	6	8	-15.2	44	40	46
OB-GYNs	10	4	8	12.0	45	46	44
Other surgeons	29	9	23	18.7	26	41	32
Other specialists	64	18	50	34.5	26	44	26
Dentists	47	40	45	-13.0	12	8	11
PAs	12	11	12	16.8	33	32	33
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	157	130	149	-20.1	50	46	50
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	349	244	318	16.1	4	1	1

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Health Care Facilities and Access in Rural Counties in 2000

	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	6	19	11	33
Population	255,949	374,625	419,225	406,320
Short-term general hospitals	11	23	17	41
Hospital beds/100,000 persons	395	503	409	588
% pop. in persistent poverty counties	0	0	0	3.4
Per capita income (\$)	25,378	22,402	25,434	23,611
% families in poverty	4.6	6.6	6.5	7.0

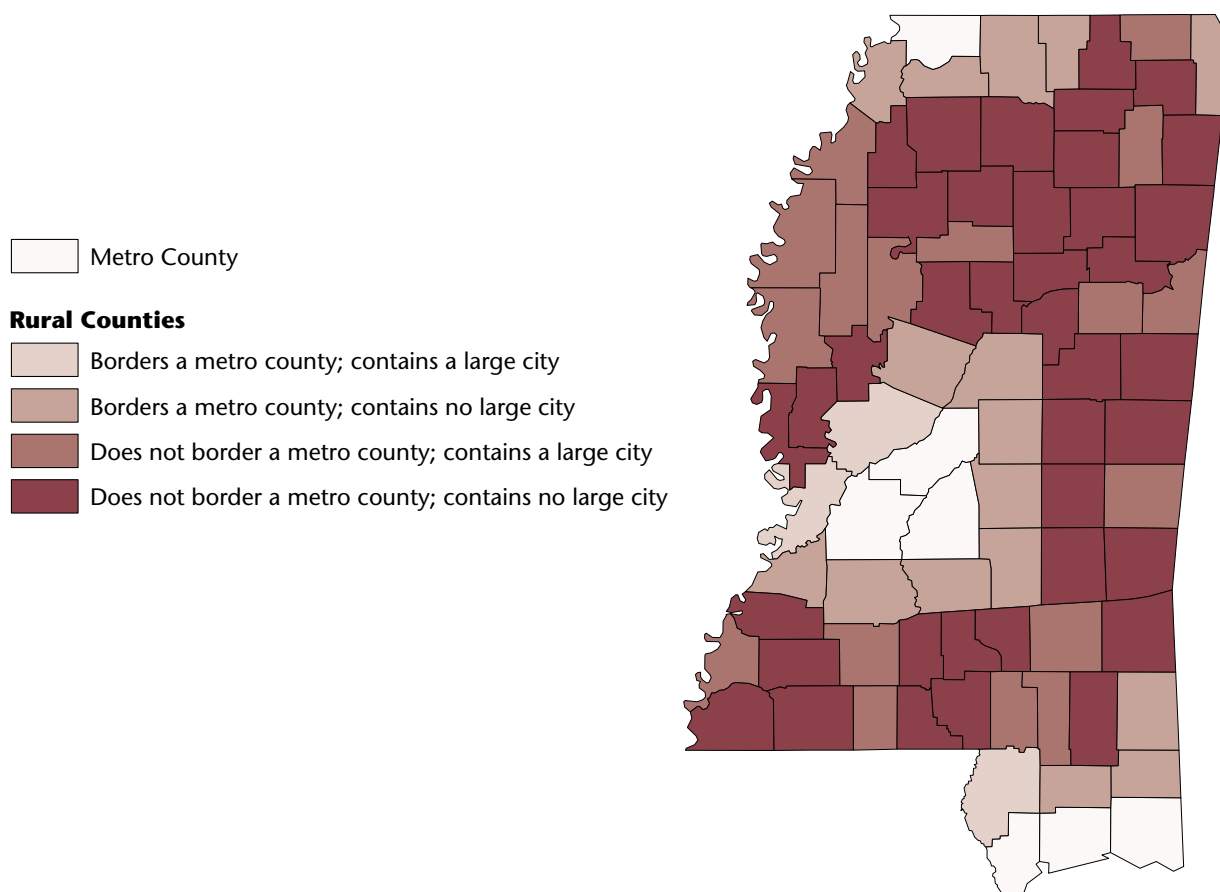
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Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in Rural Counties

	Type of rural county							
	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians	98	114	67	81	115	151	73	83
Generalist physicians	60	69	51	61	64	72	57	64
Medical specialists	4	6	1	2	4	13	0	2
Surgical specialists	19	22	9	11	29	33	10	10
General surgeons	8	6	5	4	8	9	6	5
OB-GYNs	4	6	1	3	5	6	2	2
Other surgeons	8	10	2	5	16	18	3	3
Other specialists	14	21	6	9	17	35	6	7
Dentists	50	47	42	36	48	42	41	38
PAs	2	9	5	11	5	12	1	12
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	101	114	110	106	129	137	133	156
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	154	251	92	167	238	302	122	253

MISSISSIPPI

**2000 Demography**

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (Rank)
Total population	911,988	1,932,670	2,844,658	10.5	37	6	31
% population > 65	10.5	12.8	12.1	-3.3	40	39	34
% population < 15	22.6	22.5	22.5	-6.7	6	6	7
Per capita income (\$)	24,972	18,971	20,894	20.5	46	45	50
% families in poverty	11.2	18.2	16.0	-20.9	5	3	1

Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in 2000

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (rank)
Physicians	209	113	144	28.2	37	31	50
Generalist physicians	62	50	53	18.6	46	41	50
Medical specialists	34	13	20	73.3	36	18	47
Surgical specialists	55	29	37	15.2	15	20	44
General surgeons	11	7	8	-3.0	21	32	37
OB-GYNs	13	7	9	16.5	9	19	35
Other surgeons	32	14	20	24.1	15	19	45
Other specialists	63	22	36	44.1	28	35	50
Dentists	33	24	27	-2.8	42	41	48
PAs	3	0	1	-68.4	49	49	50
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	518	289	363	28.0	2	4	3
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	160	90	113	35.3	27	33	38

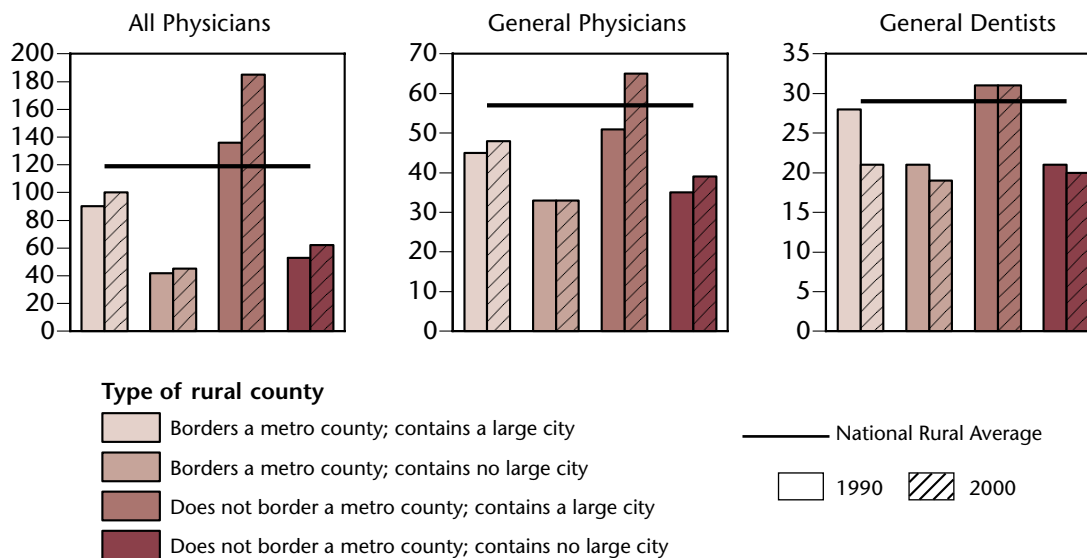
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Health Care Facilities and Access in Rural Counties in 2000

	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	3	16	17	39
Population	126,414	317,886	805,851	682,519
Short-term general hospitals	5	13	24	38
Hospital beds/100,000 persons	555	219	579	454
% pop. in persistent poverty counties	60.7	88.0	73.4	81.8
Per capita income (\$)	20,350	17,332	20,590	17,566
% families in poverty	17.3	18.1	18.5	18.1

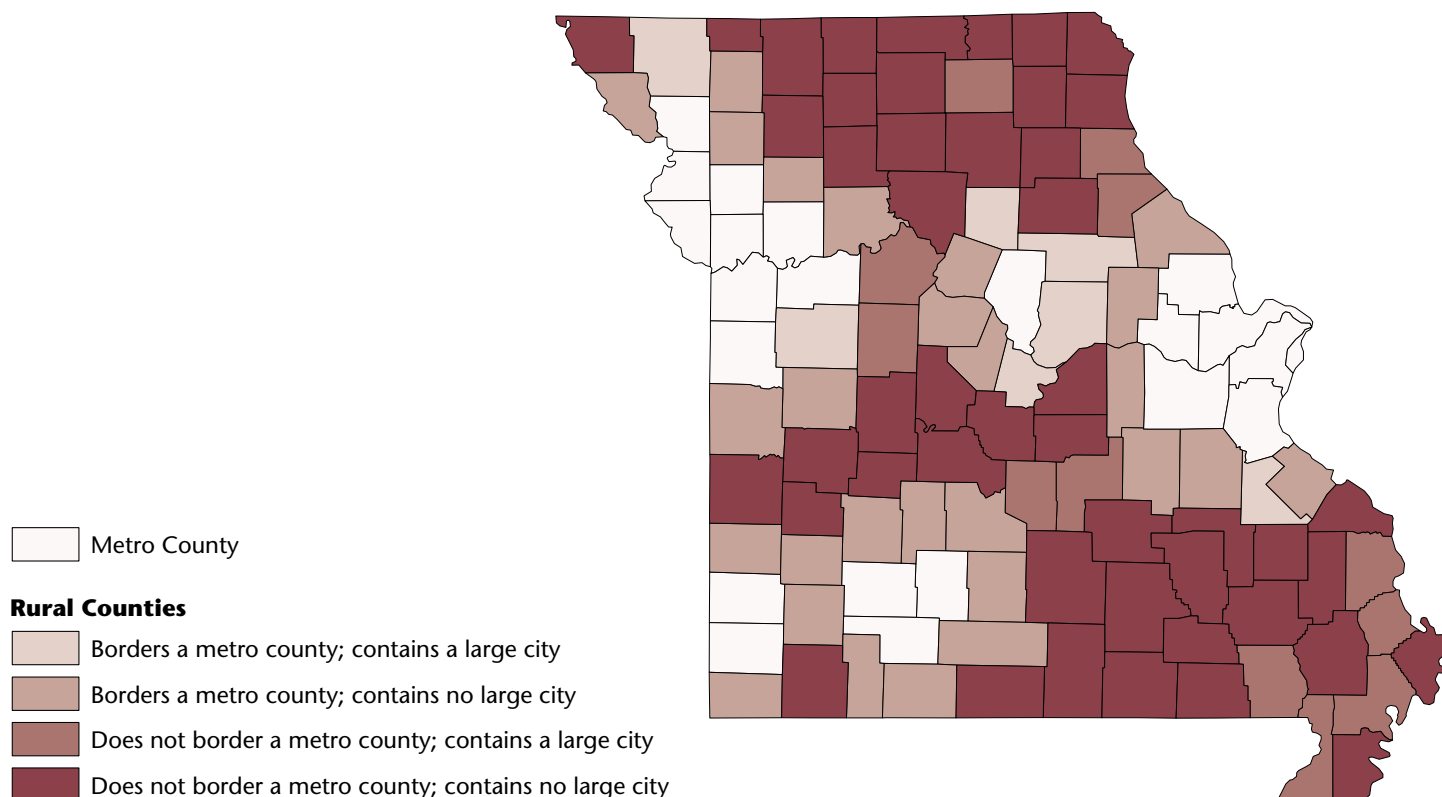
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Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in Rural Counties

	Type of rural county							
	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians	90	100	42	45	136	185	53	62
Generalist physicians	45	48	33	33	51	65	35	39
Medical specialists	4	11	0	2	13	26	2	4
Surgical specialists	29	23	4	5	46	54	10	11
General surgeons	7	6	4	3	11	11	5	5
OB-GYNs	10	9	0	0	11	13	3	3
Other surgeons	12	9	0	1	24	30	2	4
Other specialists	12	17	4	4	27	43	6	8
Dentists	28	21	21	19	31	31	21	20
PAs	0	1	0	0	7	0	3	0
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	179	291	80	83	371	484	141	156
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	62	107	32	39	103	137	42	56

MISSOURI



2000 Demography

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (Rank)
Total population	3,794,801	1,800,410	5,595,211	9.4	19	10	17
% population > 65	12.4	15.7	13.5	-3.8	15	12	13
% population < 15	21.5	20.3	21.1	-2.6	24	28	24
Per capita income (\$)	27,906	20,499	25,522	18.4	38	37	35
% families in poverty	7.3	11.2	8.6	-15.4	26	17	21

Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in 2000

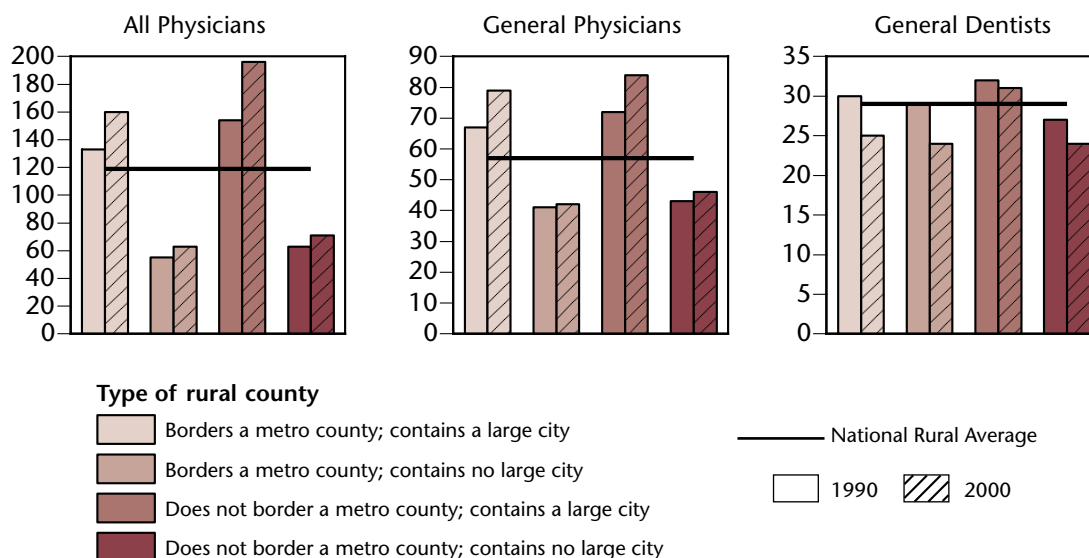
	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (rank)
Physicians	239	112	198	19.1	17	36	21
Generalist physicians	79	59	72	15.2	24	26	26
Medical specialists	47	18	38	35.3	14	9	10
Surgical specialists	54	18	43	6.4	21	45	26
General surgeons	11	6	9	-13.7	20	44	25
OB-GYNs	13	4	10	6.2	16	43	25
Other surgeons	31	8	23	17.4	23	45	27
Other specialists	69	26	55	47.9	17	29	21
Dentists	40	26	35	-10.9	30	38	32
PAs	6	4	5	-59.6	46	43	47
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	381	220	329	6.2	11	23	8
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	228	88	183	0.2	11	34	16

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Health Care Facilities and Access in Rural Counties in 2000

	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	7	27	12	47
Population	288,490	485,156	409,938	616,826
Short-term general hospitals	9	14	12	26
Hospital beds/100,000 persons	315	150	469	222
% pop. in persistent poverty counties	0	15.7	22.9	36.6
Per capita income (\$)	22,356	19,265	22,591	19,210
% families in poverty	8.5	11.0	11.3	12.5

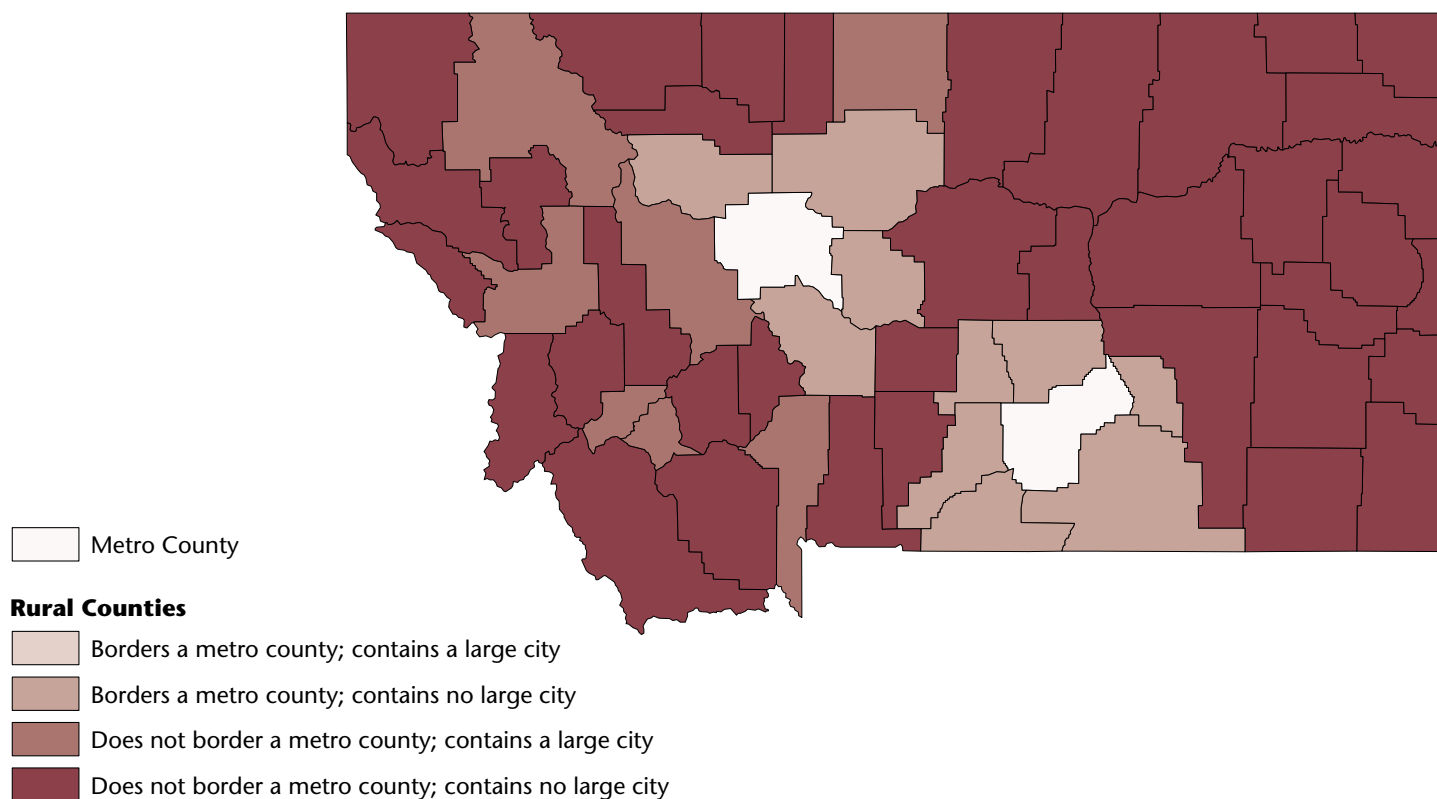
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Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in Rural Counties

	Type of rural county							
	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians	133	160	55	63	154	196	63	71
Generalist physicians	67	79	41	42	72	84	43	46
Medical specialists	27	30	4	8	26	37	4	9
Surgical specialists	25	31	5	5	32	39	9	9
General surgeons	9	8	4	3	10	10	4	4
OB-GYNs	8	9	1	0	8	9	2	2
Other surgeons	8	14	1	2	14	20	2	2
Other specialists	14	38	5	13	22	53	7	12
Dentists	30	25	29	24	32	31	27	24
PAs	10	4	22	3	14	7	8	2
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	238	298	83	125	316	402	99	138
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	128	156	39	52	165	141	35	51

MONTANA



2000 Demography

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (Rank)
Total population	209,709	692,486	902,195	12.9	48	35	44
% population > 65	13.6	13.4	13.4	0.6	6	37	14
% population < 15	21.1	20.5	20.6	-12.1	30	26	35
Per capita income (\$)	25,522	21,606	22,516	10.1	42	30	46
% families in poverty	9.2	10.9	10.5	-12.9	13	19	13

Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in 2000

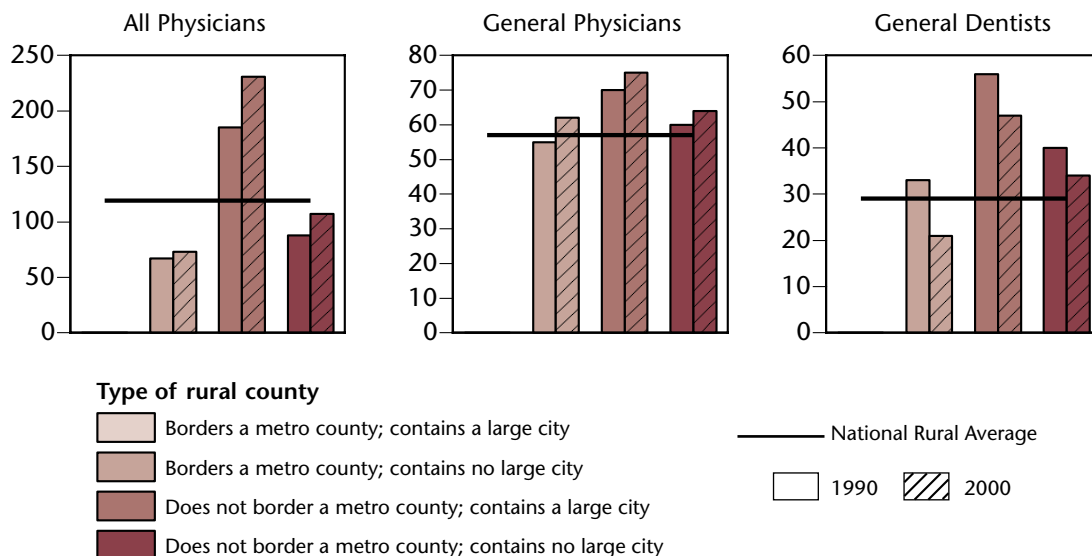
	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (rank)
Physicians	272	168	192	25.8	8	8	27
Generalist physicians	72	69	70	14.0	34	10	29
Medical specialists	49	16	24	64.1	8	11	43
Surgical specialists	71	39	47	16.2	1	5	13
General surgeons	12	9	10	-6.0	9	10	21
OB-GYNs	12	8	9	12.5	25	11	36
Other surgeons	46	23	28	27.8	1	3	8
Other specialists	86	45	55	49.0	4	7	22
Dentists	46	40	41	-16.9	15	12	22
PAs	26	18	20	260.3	8	13	14
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	339	254	274	15.3	17	12	26
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	207	187	192	-17.0	14	6	11

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Health Care Facilities and Access in Rural Counties in 2000

	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	0	10	7	37
Population	...	53,494	354,516	284,476
Short-term general hospitals	...	9	10	35
Hospital beds/100,000 persons	...	684	322	656
% pop. in persistent poverty counties	...	23.7	0	7.1
Per capita income (\$)	...	18,816	23,755	19,452
% families in poverty	...	13.8	8.8	12.7

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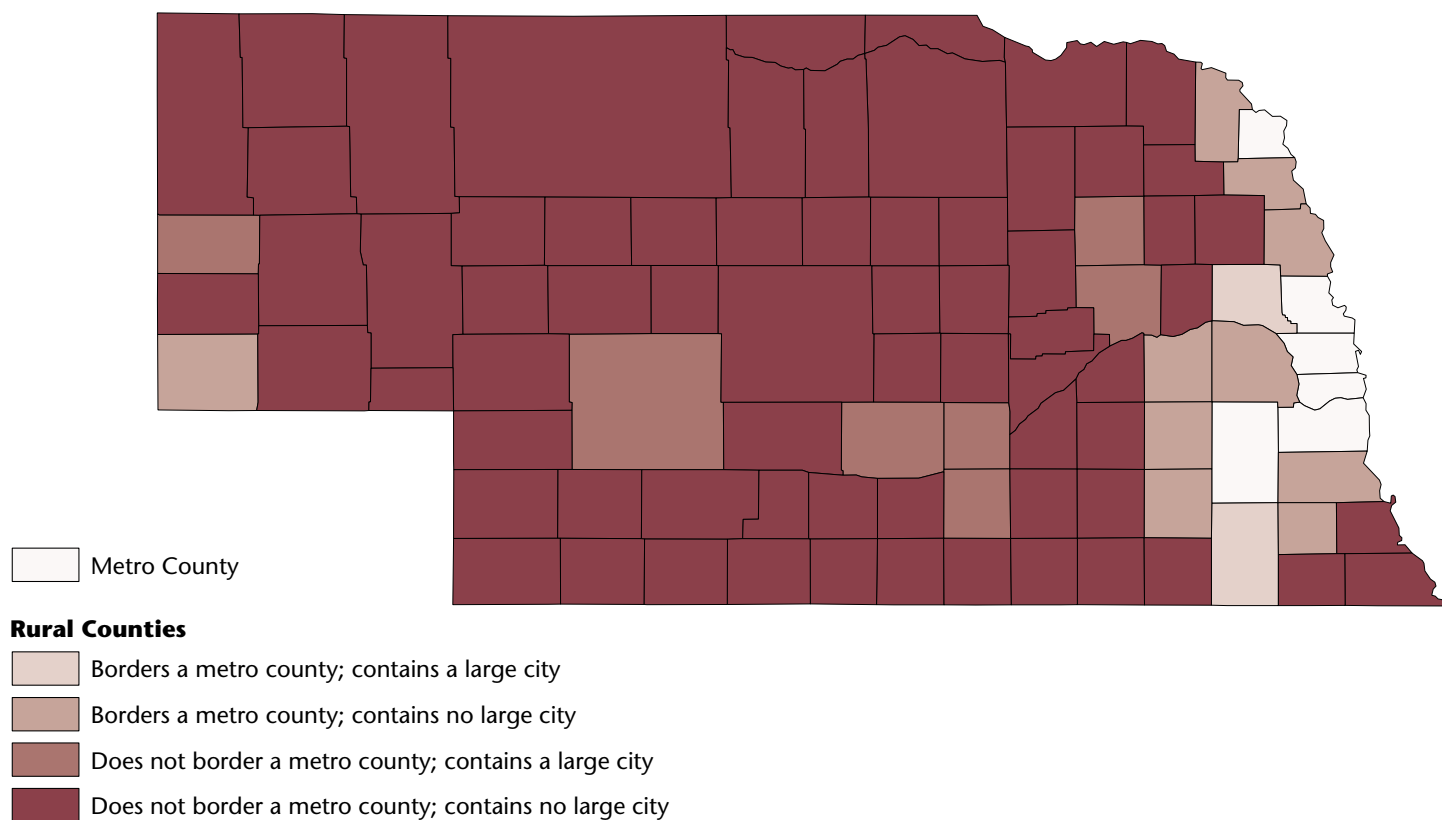


Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in Rural Counties

	Type of rural county							
	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians	67	73	185	231	88	107
Generalist physicians	55	62	70	75	60	64
Medical specialists	0	4	17	28	3	5
Surgical specialists	4	6	51	60	16	21
General surgeons	2	0	12	12	6	7
OB-GYNs	2	0	10	13	4	4
Other surgeons	0	6	29	35	6	10
Other specialists	8	4	48	72	10	19
Dentists	33	21	56	47	40	34
PAs	0	19	7	14	5	24
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	124	226	233	274	167	233
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	153	80	234	217	130	171

... No counties of this type

NEBRASKA



2000 Demography

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (Rank)
Total population	899,838	811,425	1,711,263	8.4	38	30	38
% population > 65	10.3	17.2	13.6	-4.0	41	5	11
% population < 15	22.0	21.2	21.6	-6.2	16	16	16
Per capita income (\$)	31,468	23,365	27,625	16.0	14	16	26
% families in poverty	5.8	7.7	6.7	-16.2	42	38	35

Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in 2000

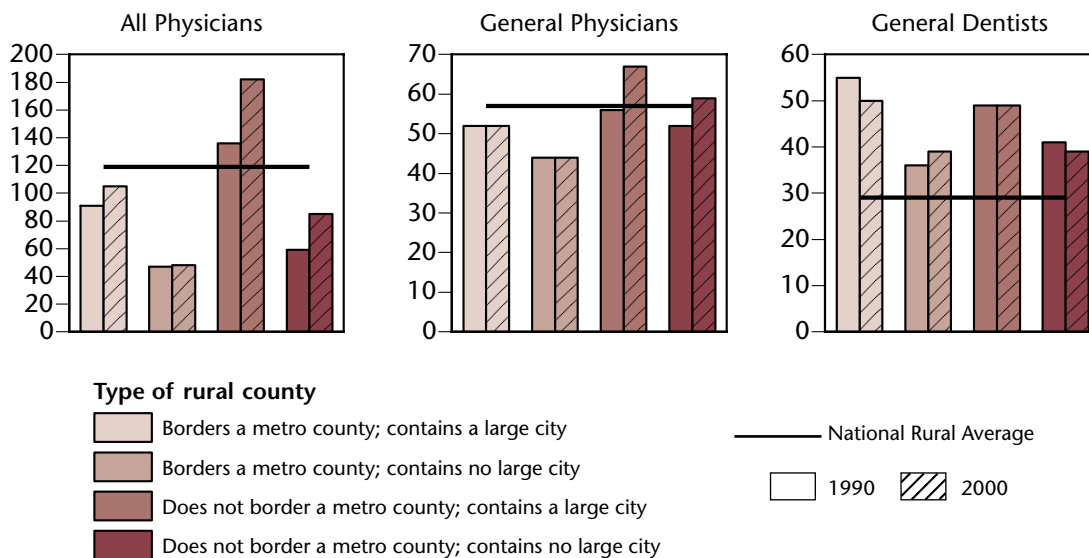
	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (rank)
Physicians	229	114	174	27.7	22	30	33
Generalist physicians	73	59	67	17.3	32	25	35
Medical specialists	41	7	25	58.7	19	42	39
Surgical specialists	55	26	41	19.3	17	24	32
General surgeons	13	7	10	5.8	6	31	15
OB-GYNs	11	5	8	24.7	30	38	41
Other surgeons	31	14	23	24.2	21	20	28
Other specialists	64	22	44	45.0	25	36	43
Dentists	45	43	44	-3.2	17	3	14
PAs	29	24	27	104.1	5	7	5
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	361	270	318	18.0	13	8	13
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	231	155	195	7.8	10	13	10

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Health Care Facilities and Access in Rural Counties in 2000

	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	2	10	7	68
Population	59,153	104,210	265,415	382,647
Short-term general hospitals	2	12	7	52
Hospital beds/100,000 persons	629	568	461	567
% pop. in persistent poverty counties	0	6.9	0	0.6
Per capita income (\$)	25,445	21,850	24,383	22,749
% families in poverty	5.8	6.6	7.7	8.2

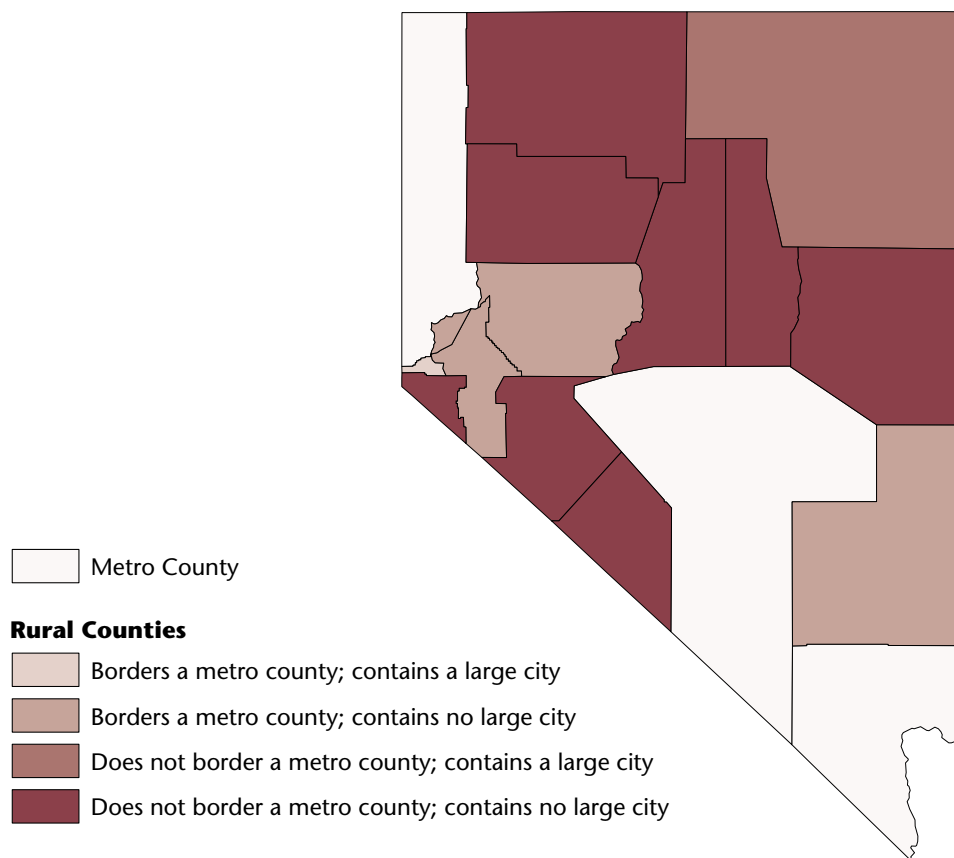
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Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in Rural Counties

	Type of rural county							
	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians	91	105	47	48	136	182	59	85
Generalist physicians	52	52	44	44	56	67	52	59
Medical specialists	2	3	0	0	5	15	0	3
Surgical specialists	28	36	0	0	44	58	5	10
General surgeons	12	7	0	0	13	13	4	5
OB-GYNs	5	8	0	0	6	11	0	1
Other surgeons	10	20	0	0	26	34	1	4
Other specialists	9	14	3	4	31	46	2	13
Dentists	55	50	36	39	49	49	41	39
PAs	10	32	12	25	11	19	11	26
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	198	208	120	198	328	418	123	197
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	226	235	79	104	188	193	89	131

NEVADA



2000 Demography

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (Rank)
Total population	1,747,736	250,521	1,998,257	66.3	30	46	35
% population > 65	10.8	12.1	11.0	3.2	34	45	44
% population < 15	21.7	22.3	21.7	2.9	19	8	15
Per capita income (\$)	29,795	27,507	29,508	8.5	23	5	14
% families in poverty	7.6	7.1	7.5	3.9	23	40	31

Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in 2000

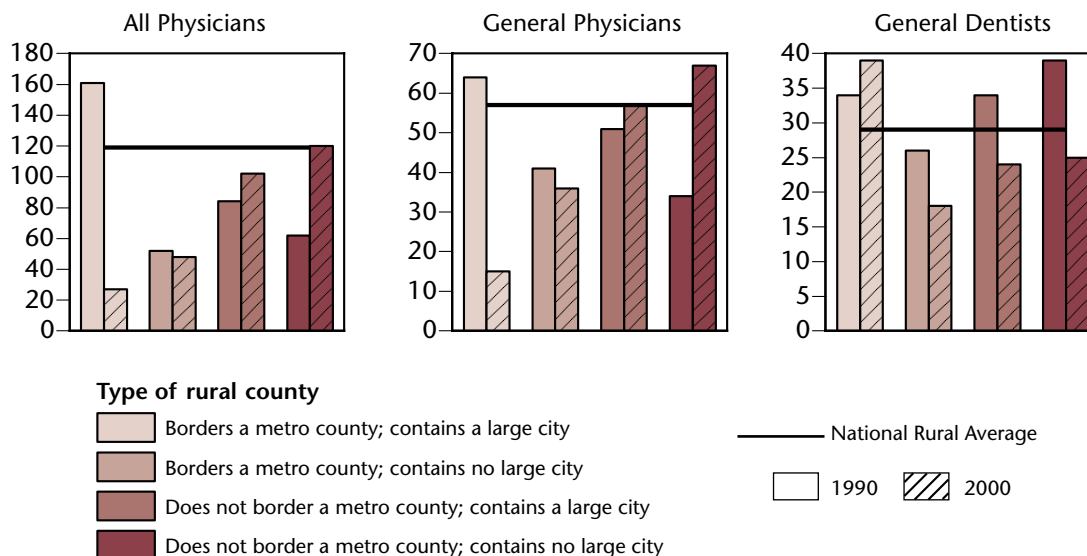
	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (rank)
Physicians	177	78	165	22.1	48	48	44
Generalist physicians	60	46	58	28.9	48	45	47
Medical specialists	30	6	27	43.2	45	43	33
Surgical specialists	41	13	38	3.4	48	49	43
General surgeons	8	4	7	-19.8	46	48	47
OB-GYNs	11	4	10	25.7	31	45	23
Other surgeons	22	5	20	5.0	49	49	47
Other specialists	52	16	47	36.2	45	46	36
Dentists	27	26	27	-28.1	50	35	49
PAs	11	12	11	-10.2	37	29	36
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	246	162	236	3.7	37	40	37
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	69	85	71	-1.4	49	36	50

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Health Care Facilities and Access in Rural Counties in 2000

	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	1	4	1	8
Population	52,457	66,047	45,291	86,726
Short-term general hospitals	1	2	2	5
Hospital beds/100,000 persons	244	156	144	202
% pop. in persistent poverty counties	0	0	0	0
Per capita income (\$)	31,566	22,990	24,909	29,849
% families in poverty	6.9	6.8	7.0	7.4

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Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in Rural Counties


	Type of rural county							
	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians	161	27	52	48	84	102	62	120
Generalist physicians	64	15	41	36	51	57	34	67
Medical specialists	7	8	2	0	3	4	7	12
Surgical specialists	45	0	7	8	21	31	7	16
General surgeons	7	0	5	3	3	9	4	5
OB-GYNs	10	0	2	2	9	13	0	3
Other surgeons	27	0	0	3	9	9	3	8
Other specialists	45	11	2	5	9	9	13	30
Dentists	34	39	26	18	34	24	39	25
PAs	27	15	0	11	0	13	14	10
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	156	261	58	89	170	214	80	129
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	146	328	9	21	72	26	10	16

NEW HAMPSHIRE

 Metro County

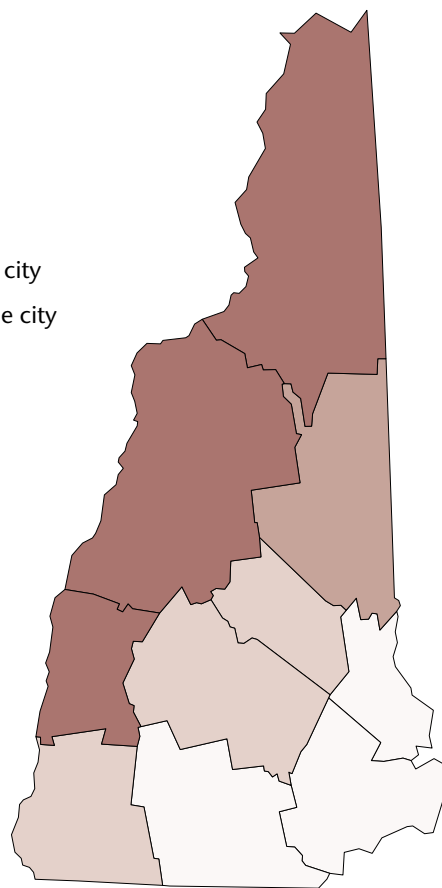
Rural Counties

 Borders a metro county; contains a large city

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**2000 Demography**

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (Rank)
Total population	770,433	465,353	1,235,786	11.4	40	38	41
% population > 65	10.5	14.3	12.0	6.2	37	25	36
% population < 15	21.8	19.3	20.8	-2.5	17	42	31
Per capita income (\$)	35,411	29,452	33,167	21.6	5	4	5
% families in poverty	4.0	4.8	4.3	-1.7	50	48	50

Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in 2000

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (rank)
Physicians	175	247	202	20.9	49	1	17
Generalist physicians	68	84	74	19.1	39	3	23
Medical specialists	22	41	29	64.3	50	1	25
Surgical specialists	40	55	45	4.2	50	1	17
General surgeons	7	15	10	0.8	50	1	12
OB-GYNs	12	11	11	17.2	24	2	13
Other surgeons	21	29	24	0.4	50	1	25
Other specialists	48	74	58	30.4	50	1	15
Dentists	43	40	42	-5.1	23	7	20
PAs	16	20	18	229.1	25	10	18
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	188	337	244	9.6	47	1	35
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	155	202	173	-6.4	28	4	20

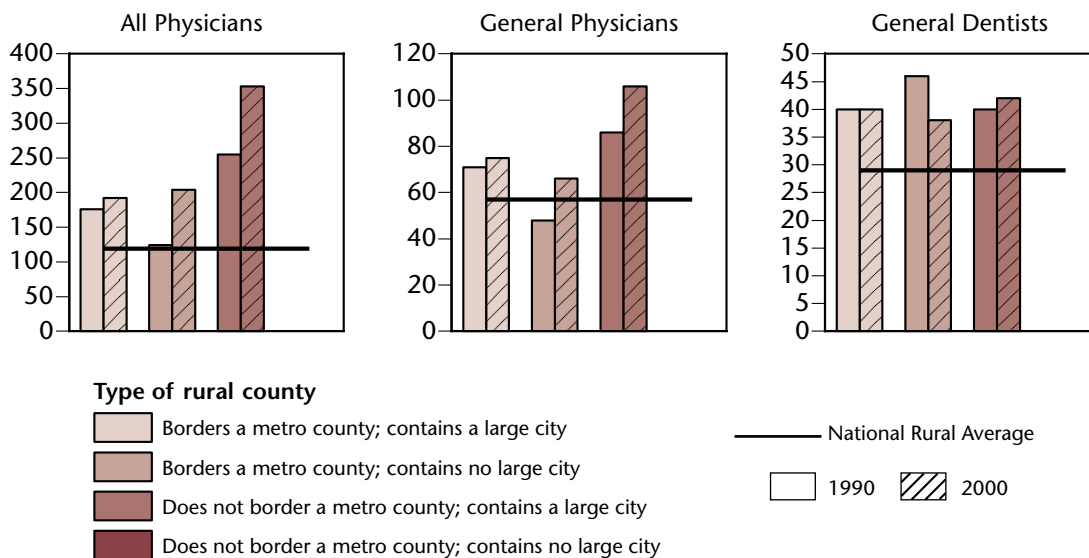
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NEW HAMPSHIRE

Health Care Facilities and Access in Rural Counties in 2000

	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	3	1	3	0
Population	266,375	43,666	155,312	...
Short-term general hospitals	5	2	9	...
Hospital beds/100,000 persons	222	362	414	...
% pop. in persistent poverty counties	0	0	0	...
Per capita income (\$)	30,167	28,381	28,527	...
% families in poverty	4.3	5.5	5.5	...

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Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in Rural Counties

	Type of rural county							
	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians	176	192	124	204	255	353	...	...
Generalist physicians	71	75	48	66	86	106	...	...
Medical specialists	17	24	0	11	34	77	...	...
Surgical specialists	43	41	42	50	63	79	...	...
General surgeons	9	10	20	23	18	22	...	...
OB-GYNs	8	9	6	9	8	14	...	...
Other surgeons	26	22	17	18	37	44	...	...
Other specialists	45	53	34	80	77	108	...	...
Dentists	40	40	46	38	40	42	...	...
PAs	10	17	6	18	9	26	...	...
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	220	238	187	275	531	523	...	...
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	88	144	140	153	393	315	...	...


... No counties of this type

NEW JERSEY

 Metro County

Rural Counties

 Borders a metro county; contains a large city

 Borders a metro county; contains no large city

 Does not border a metro county; contains a large city

 Does not border a metro county; contains no large city

New Jersey has no counties that are classified as rural using the UIC county taxonomy. In other taxonomies, such as the RUCAs, New Jersey does have some rural areas.

**2000 Demography**

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (Rank)
Total population	8,414,350	...	8,414,350	8.8	8	...	9
% population > 65	13.2	...	13.2	-0.9	10	...	18
% population < 15	20.9	...	20.9	7.3	34	...	30
Per capita income (\$)	37,116	...	37,116	13.8	3	...	3
% families in poverty	6.3	...	6.3	11.9	34	...	43

Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in 2000

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (rank)
Physicians	259	...	259	26.6	12	...	5
Generalist physicians	93	...	93	28.1	6	...	3
Medical specialists	52	...	52	45.0	6	...	1
Surgical specialists	54	...	54	7.7	18	...	6
General surgeons	11	...	11	-10.0	19	...	7
OB-GYNs	15	...	15	17.3	4	...	1
Other surgeons	28	...	28	11.5	29	...	9
Other specialists	72	...	72	48.8	13	...	7
Dentists	53	...	53	1.3	4	...	2
PAs	6	...	6	-44.1	47	...	46
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	268	...	268	-2.6	35	...	28
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	164	...	164	26.0	25	...	22

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Health Care Facilities and Access in Rural Counties in 2000

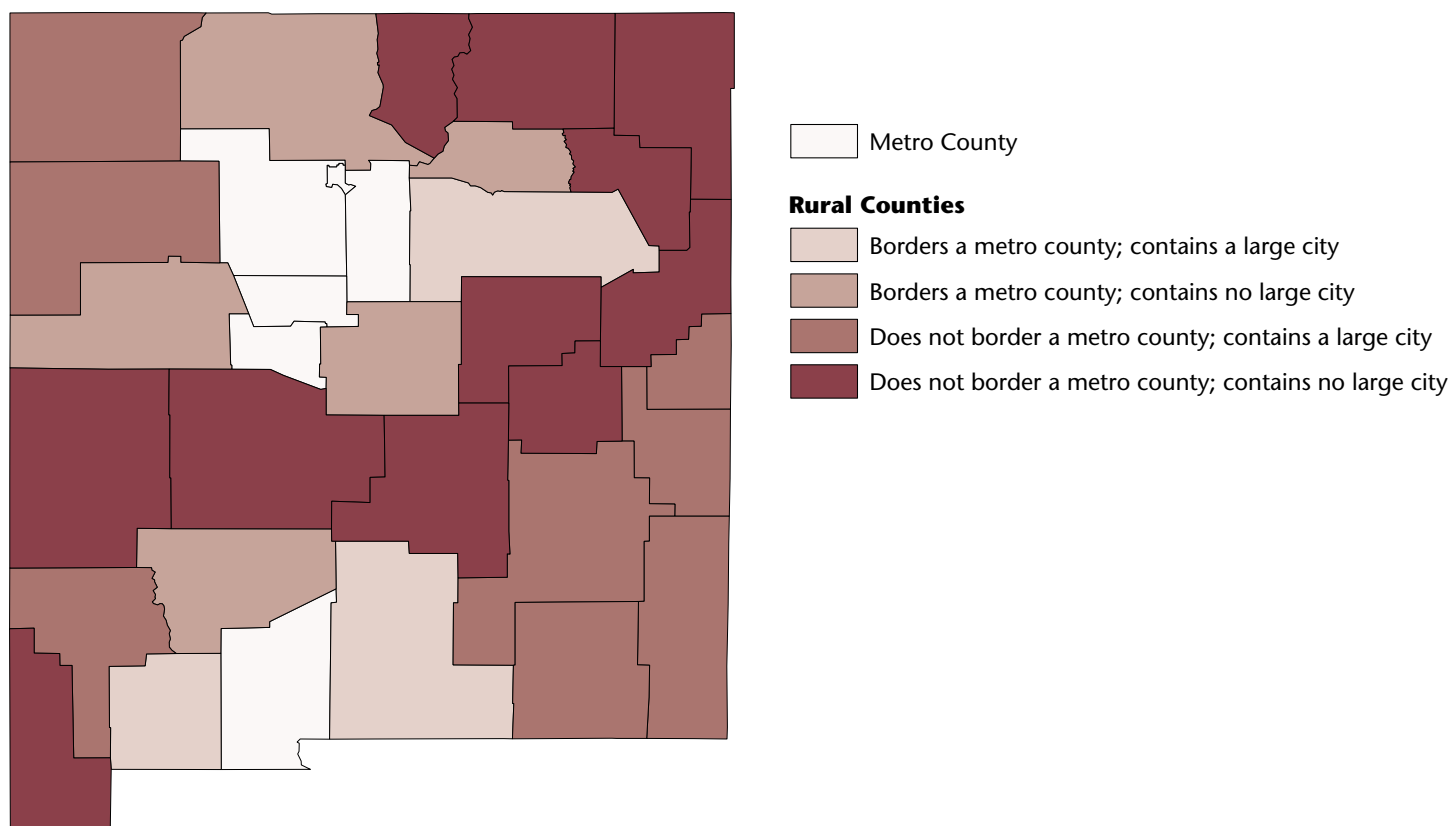
	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	0	0	0	0
Population
Short-term general hospitals
Hospital beds/100,000 persons
% pop. in persistent poverty counties
Per capita income (\$)
% families in poverty

Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in Rural Counties

	Type of rural county							
	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians
Generalist physicians
Medical specialists
Surgical specialists
General surgeons
OB-GYNs
Other surgeons
Other specialists
Dentists
PAs
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)

... No counties of this type

NEW MEXICO



2000 Demography

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (Rank)
Total population	1,035,055	783,991	1,819,046	20.1	35	32	36
% population > 65	11.1	12.4	11.7	8.4	32	42	38
% population < 15	22.0	24.3	23.0	-7.8	14	3	5
Per capita income (\$)	25,216	17,591	21,930	11.4	44	49	48
% families in poverty	11.7	18.3	14.5	-11.7	3	2	3

Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in 2000

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (rank)
Physicians	214	112	170	13.6	34	35	37
Generalist physicians	76	55	67	14.9	29	31	34
Medical specialists	35	11	25	33.9	32	27	41
Surgical specialists	41	24	34	-11.3	47	32	48
General surgeons	9	8	8	-9.4	41	27	40
OB-GYNs	9	6	8	-15.5	50	28	45
Other surgeons	23	11	18	-10.2	44	32	50
Other specialists	68	23	49	33.9	18	34	32
Dentists	31	20	27	-17.2	47	48	50
PAs	19	17	18	21.8	17	18	16
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	267	202	239	1.8	36	27	36
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	148	91	123	28.2	32	32	34

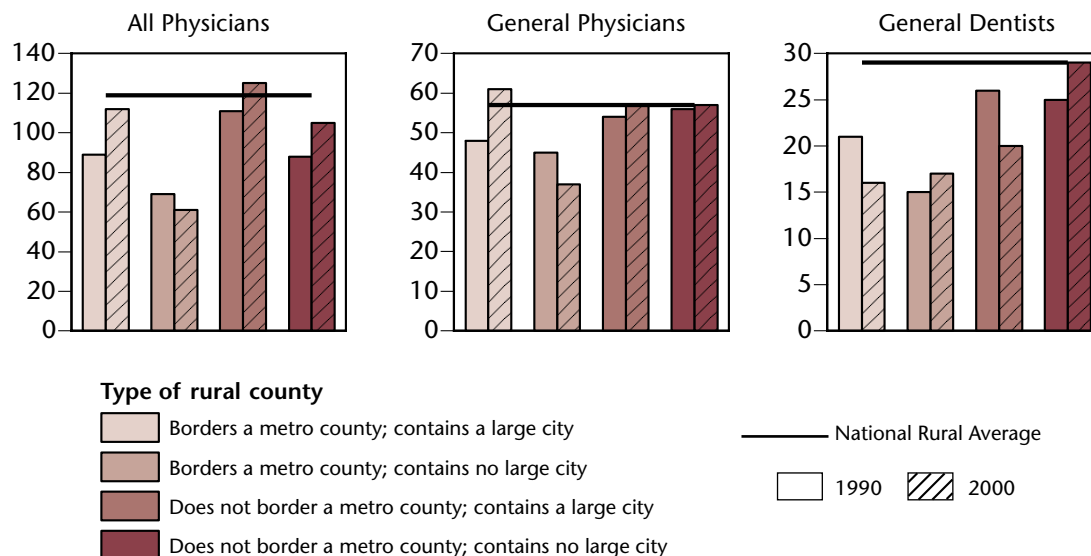
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NEW MEXICO

Health Care Facilities and Access in Rural Counties in 2000

	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	3	5	8	11
Population	117,440	102,146	451,214	113,191
Short-term general hospitals	4	4	12	7
Hospital beds/100,000 persons	221	138	252	190
% pop. in persistent poverty counties	47.0	62.0	45.8	52.3
Per capita income (\$)	16,084	15,504	18,469	17,542
% families in poverty	19.1	17.4	18.8	16.1

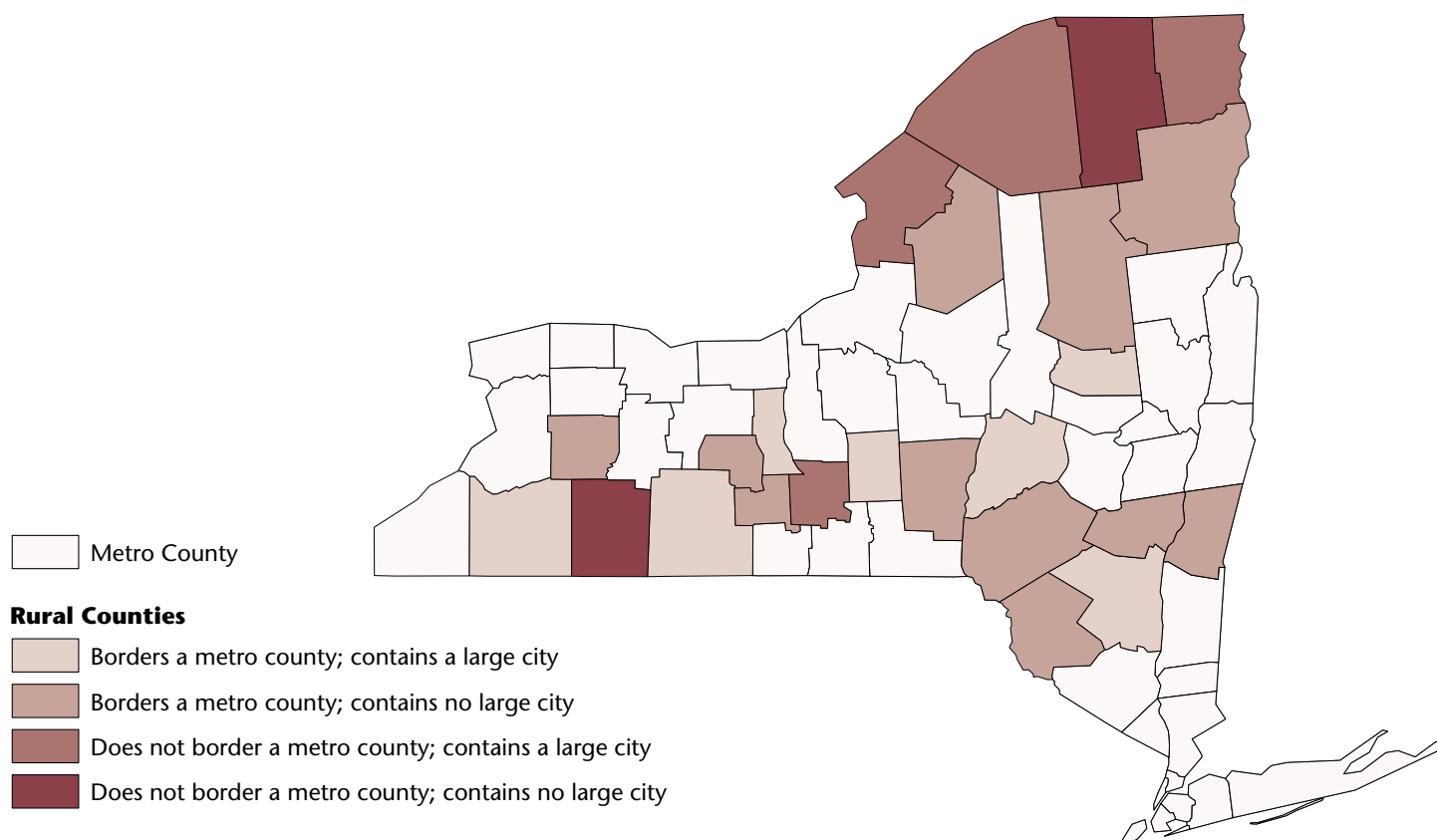
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Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in Rural Counties

	Type of rural county							
	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians	89	112	69	61	111	125	88	105
Generalist physicians	48	61	45	37	54	57	56	57
Medical specialists	3	11	2	6	8	14	3	6
Surgical specialists	21	20	10	10	32	29	12	24
General surgeons	7	7	4	4	9	8	5	10
OB-GYNs	9	4	4	1	7	7	2	6
Other surgeons	4	9	2	5	15	14	4	8
Other specialists	17	24	12	8	18	28	17	20
Dentists	21	16	15	17	26	20	25	29
PAs	0	16	22	13	3	18	28	22
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	130	188	74	105	236	237	122	163
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	64	135	13	47	42	90	68	87

NEW YORK



2000 Demography

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (Rank)
Total population	17,473,058	1,503,399	18,976,457	5.5	3	16	3
% population > 65	12.8	13.8	12.9	-1.8	13	31	24
% population < 15	20.8	19.6	20.7	4.1	38	38	34
Per capita income (\$)	35,715	22,699	34,684	13.0	4	22	4
% families in poverty	11.7	9.2	11.5	14.2	2	26	9

Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in 2000

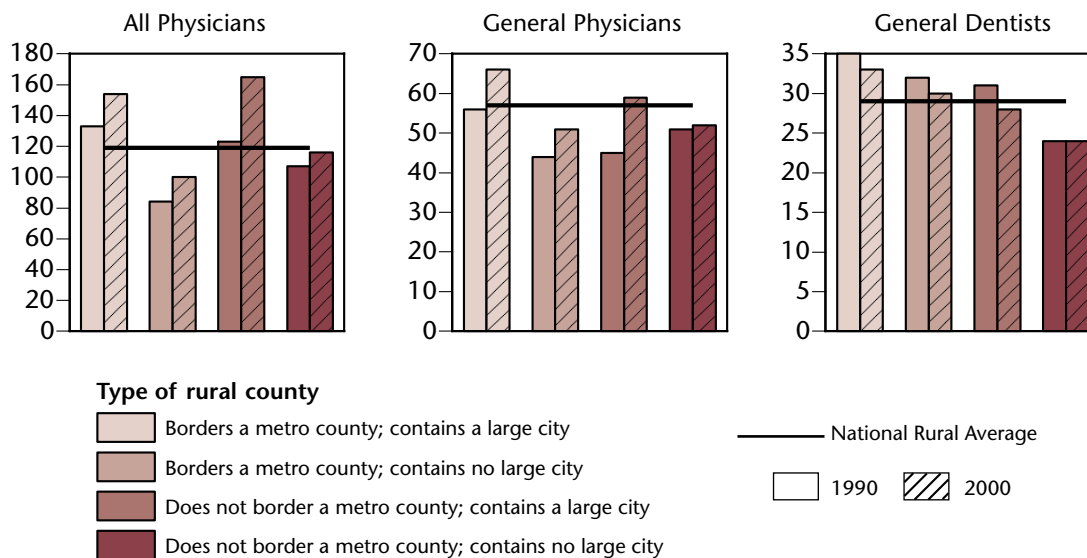
	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (rank)
Physicians	278	138	267	24.7	6	15	2
Generalist physicians	93	59	90	25.2	5	27	6
Medical specialists	53	15	50	54.4	4	15	2
Surgical specialists	58	30	56	7.2	11	15	3
General surgeons	13	7	12	-9.6	8	28	3
OB-GYNs	15	7	14	11.2	6	14	5
Other surgeons	31	15	30	13.8	20	15	5
Other specialists	82	36	78	27.6	5	15	2
Dentists	54	30	52	-7.4	3	27	3
PAs	26	25	26	106.5	7	6	7
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	342	192	330	-5.3	16	29	7
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	106	114	107	38.1	44	23	39

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Health Care Facilities and Access in Rural Counties in 2000

	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	7	11	4	2
Population	559,120	443,154	400,064	101,061
Short-term general hospitals	13	10	11	3
Hospital beds/100,000 persons	469	289	257	307
% pop. in persistent poverty counties	0	0	0	0
Per capita income (\$)	23,829	22,568	22,255	18,780
% families in poverty	8.7	8.8	9.9	10.3

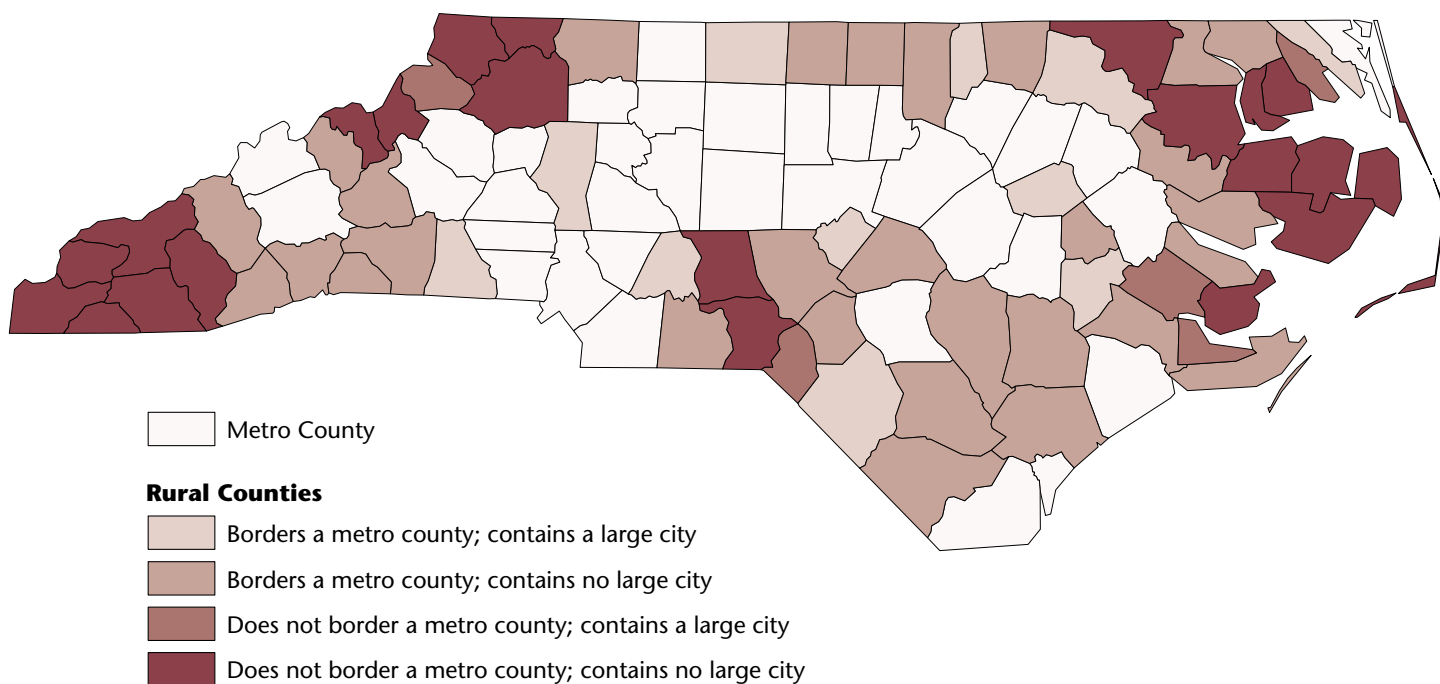
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Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in Rural Counties

	Type of rural county							
	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians	133	154	84	100	123	165	107	116
Generalist physicians	56	66	44	51	45	59	51	52
Medical specialists	12	17	6	7	12	22	6	8
Surgical specialists	36	33	18	18	35	42	26	27
General surgeons	11	8	8	5	9	9	13	11
OB-GYNs	7	8	5	4	8	11	5	5
Other surgeons	18	17	5	9	18	22	7	11
Other specialists	30	39	16	25	31	44	25	33
Dentists	35	33	32	30	31	28	24	24
PAs	10	24	6	24	9	26	4	29
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	250	235	168	123	209	206	260	193
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	111	139	52	65	109	131	98	130

NORTH CAROLINA



2000 Demography

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (Rank)
Total population	5,437,056	2,612,257	8,049,313	21.4	13	2	11
% population > 65	10.8	14.7	12.0	-0.8	36	22	35
% population < 15	20.8	20.1	20.5	2.0	39	32	37
Per capita income (\$)	29,031	22,384	26,874	17.6	29	26	30
% families in poverty	7.8	11.6	9.0	-8.3	21	15	19

Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in 2000

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (rank)
Physicians	207	121	179	30.9	38	24	32
Generalist physicians	68	52	63	28.8	41	37	40
Medical specialists	36	12	28	67.6	28	22	26
Surgical specialists	51	30	44	12.8	27	17	20
General surgeons	10	8	9	-1.2	24	21	24
OB-GYNs	12	7	11	13.9	23	15	21
Other surgeons	28	15	24	18.9	27	18	23
Other specialists	57	28	47	39.2	42	26	35
Dentists	30	23	28	-5.3	49	43	47
PA's	29	19	26	134.3	4	11	6
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	351	266	324	3.1	14	9	11
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	155	86	133	50.2	29	35	30

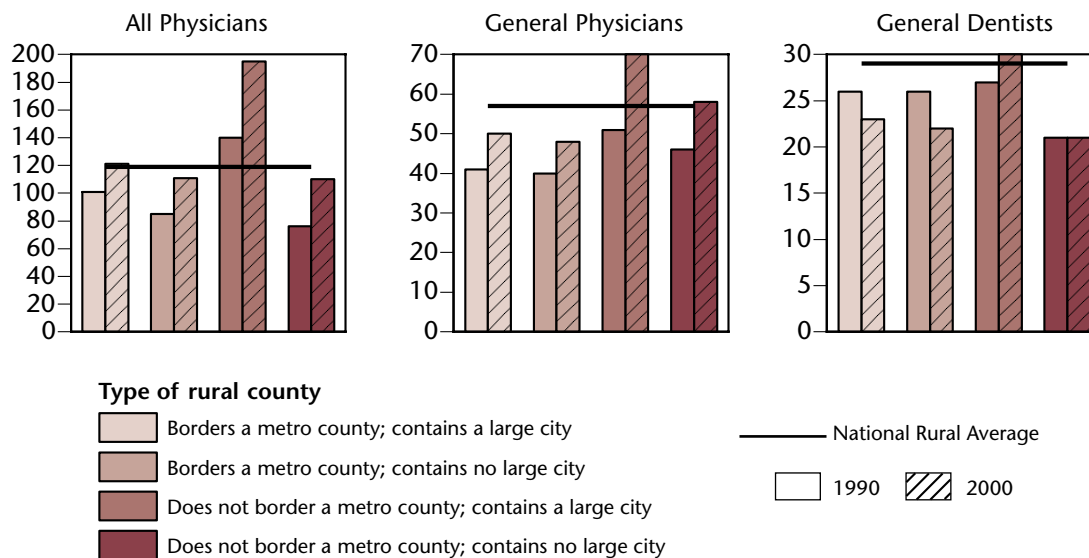
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NORTH CAROLINA

Health Care Facilities and Access in Rural Counties in 2000

	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	11	28	4	22
Population	782,025	1,166,955	205,026	458,251
Short-term general hospitals	15	25	6	18
Hospital beds/100,000 persons	336	252	443	324
% pop. in persistent poverty counties	23.1	22.2	20.8	24.9
Per capita income (\$)	22,399	22,346	23,661	21,882
% families in poverty	12.2	11.1	11.7	11.6

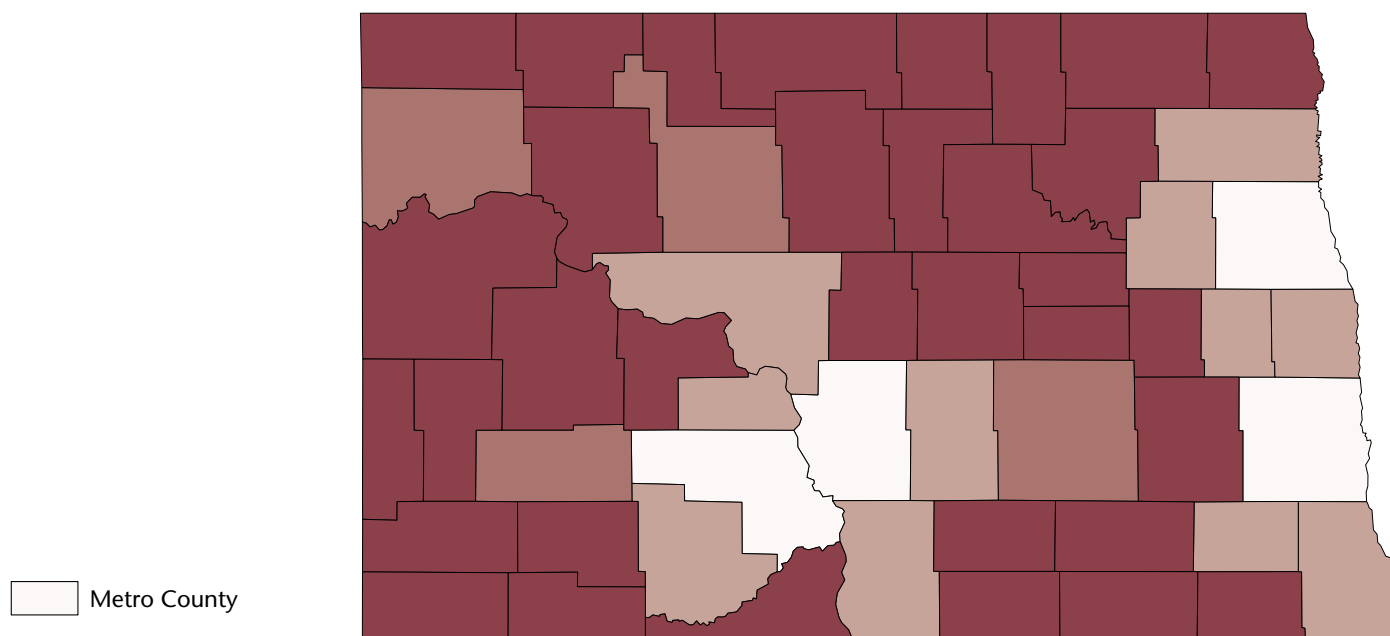
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Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in Rural Counties

	Type of rural county							
	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians	101	121	85	111	140	195	76	110
Generalist physicians	41	50	40	48	51	70	46	58
Medical specialists	9	14	4	11	7	24	1	6
Surgical specialists	31	32	23	26	50	55	17	24
General surgeons	8	7	7	7	10	13	7	8
OB-GYNs	8	8	6	6	14	14	4	5
Other surgeons	15	16	10	13	26	29	6	11
Other specialists	21	26	18	28	33	48	12	22
Dentists	26	23	26	22	27	30	21	21
PA's	7	20	9	19	0	17	2	18
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	252	289	186	228	331	478	173	227
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	73	92	49	85	120	141	39	56

NORTH DAKOTA

**Rural Counties**

- Borders a metro county; contains a large city
- Borders a metro county; contains no large city
- Does not border a metro county; contains a large city
- Does not border a metro county; contains no large city

2000 Demography

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (Rank)
Total population	283,966	358,234	642,200	0.6	45	42	47
% population > 65	10.8	17.8	14.7	3.2	35	3	5
% population < 15	19.8	20.5	20.2	-13.2	45	24	43
Per capita income (\$)	26,710	23,115	24,705	18.2	39	18	38
% families in poverty	6.2	9.9	8.3	-24.0	35	21	23

Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in 2000

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (rank)
Physicians	280	112	187	25.2	5	32	28
Generalist physicians	93	60	74	25.1	7	24	22
Medical specialists	46	9	25	63.7	15	37	37
Surgical specialists	66	21	41	6.3	3	39	33
General surgeons	13	8	10	-5.0	5	20	16
OB-GYNs	11	4	7	-10.5	36	47	49
Other surgeons	42	10	24	18.7	3	38	21
Other specialists	81	25	50	42.5	6	31	28
Dentists	39	36	37	-2.2	33	17	29
PAs	31	30	30	201.4	3	3	3
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	442	297	361	15.7	4	3	4
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	454	174	298	0.1	1	10	2

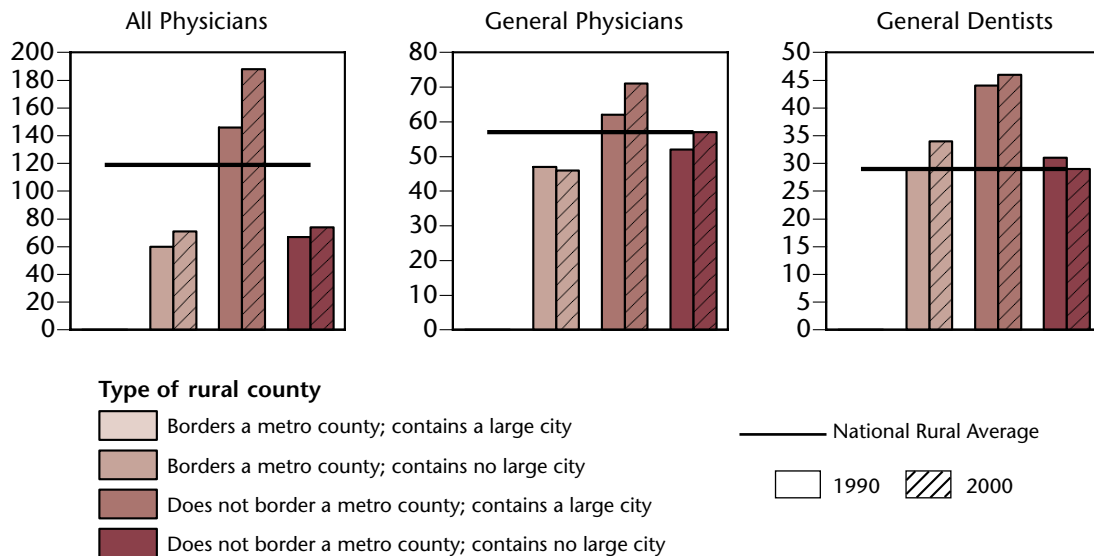
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NORTH DAKOTA

Health Care Facilities and Access in Rural Counties in 2000

	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	0	11	4	34
Population	...	72,028	123,100	163,106
Short-term general hospitals	...	9	7	22
Hospital beds/100,000 persons	...	451	755	769
% pop. in persistent poverty counties	...	7.8	0	18.4
Per capita income (\$)	...	22,237	24,322	22,592
% families in poverty	...	8.6	8.0	11.8

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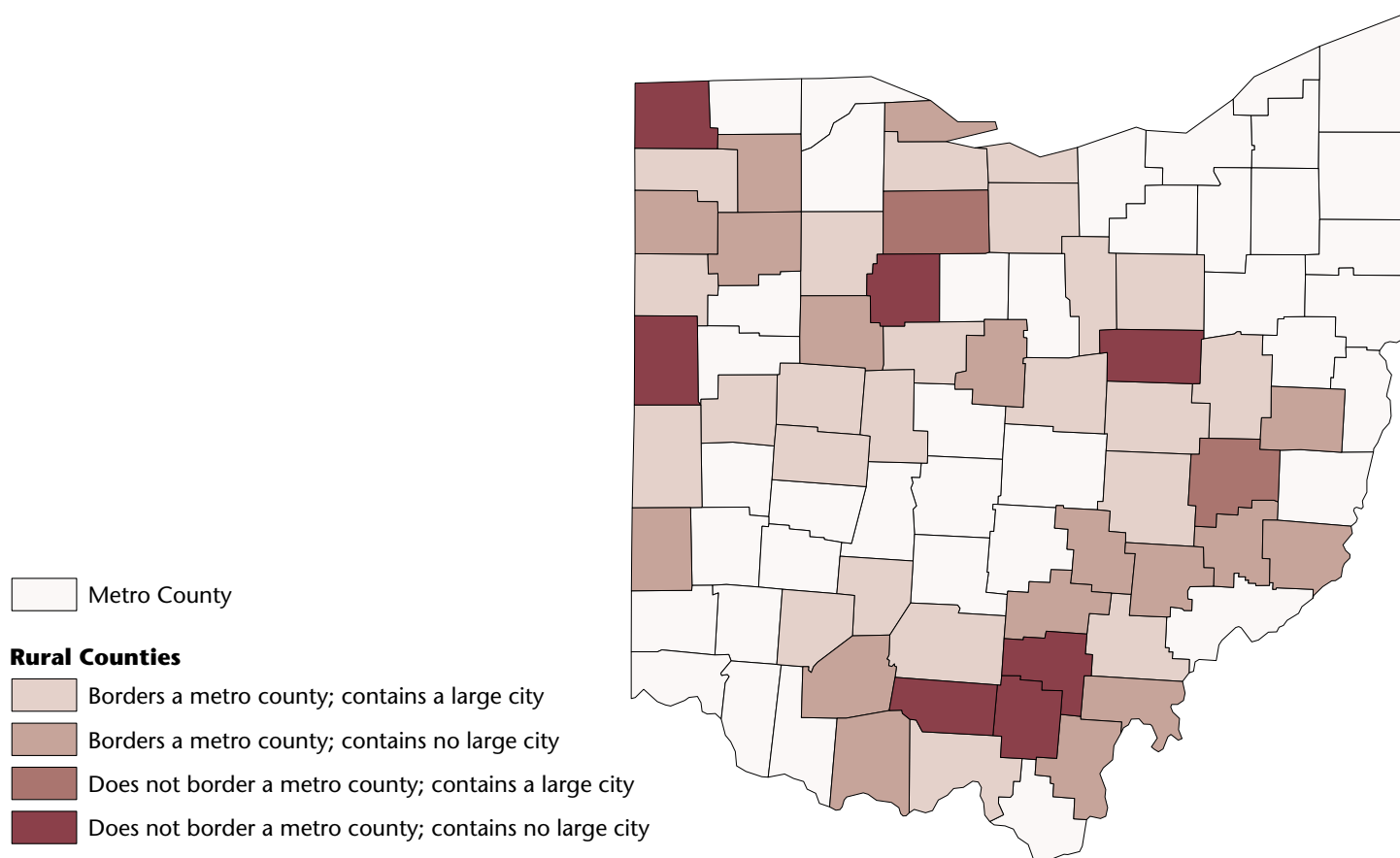


Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in Rural Counties

	Type of rural county							
	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians	60	71	146	188	67	74
Generalist physicians	47	46	62	71	52	57
Medical specialists	3	6	7	19	2	3
Surgical specialists	6	12	39	45	8	7
General surgeons	3	10	10	10	6	6
OB-GYNs	4	3	10	9	2	1
Other surgeons	0	0	19	27	1	1
Other specialists	4	10	37	58	4	7
Dentists	29	34	44	46	31	29
PAs	14	32	4	15	2	40
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	71	128	312	447	147	259
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	53	161	231	257	120	117

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OHIO



2000 Demography

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (Rank)
Total population	9,213,776	2,139,364	11,353,140	4.7	7	4	7
% population > 65	13.2	13.5	13.3	2.4	11	33	15
% population < 15	21.1	21.4	21.1	-2.3	31	12	23
Per capita income (\$)	29,146	22,944	27,977	13.0	27	21	20
% families in poverty	7.8	7.8	7.8	-19.7	19	36	27

Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in 2000

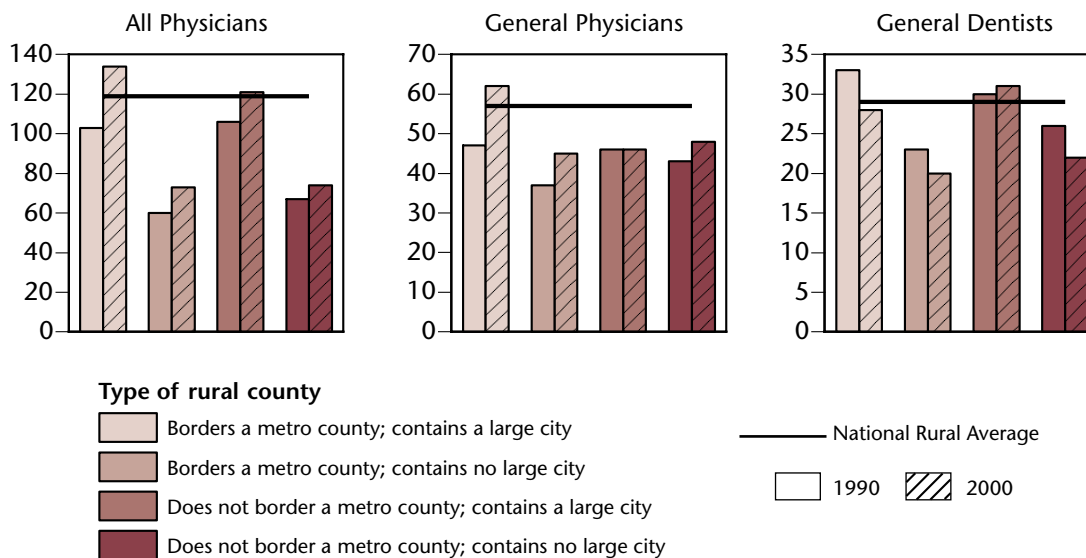
	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (rank)
Physicians	226	114	205	24.9	23	29	14
Generalist physicians	81	56	77	25.2	18	30	15
Medical specialists	44	13	38	43.2	16	21	11
Surgical specialists	47	25	43	7.8	37	28	25
General surgeons	10	7	9	-12.7	25	33	22
OB-GYNs	12	7	11	17.5	27	17	18
Other surgeons	25	10	22	14.6	41	36	33
Other specialists	67	26	59	52.4	21	30	13
Dentists	42	26	39	-7.8	26	36	25
PAs	11	5	10	5.8	35	41	38
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	310	179	286	-10.8	23	34	22
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	205	127	190	27.3	15	20	13

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Health Care Facilities and Access in Rural Counties in 2000

	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	23	17	2	7
Population	1,349,004	475,780	99,475	215,105
Short-term general hospitals	31	12	3	5
Hospital beds/100,000 persons	255	149	288	132
% pop. in persistent poverty counties	0	5.7	0	12.9
Per capita income (\$)	23,887	21,341	21,317	21,322
% families in poverty	7.3	8.4	8.9	8.8

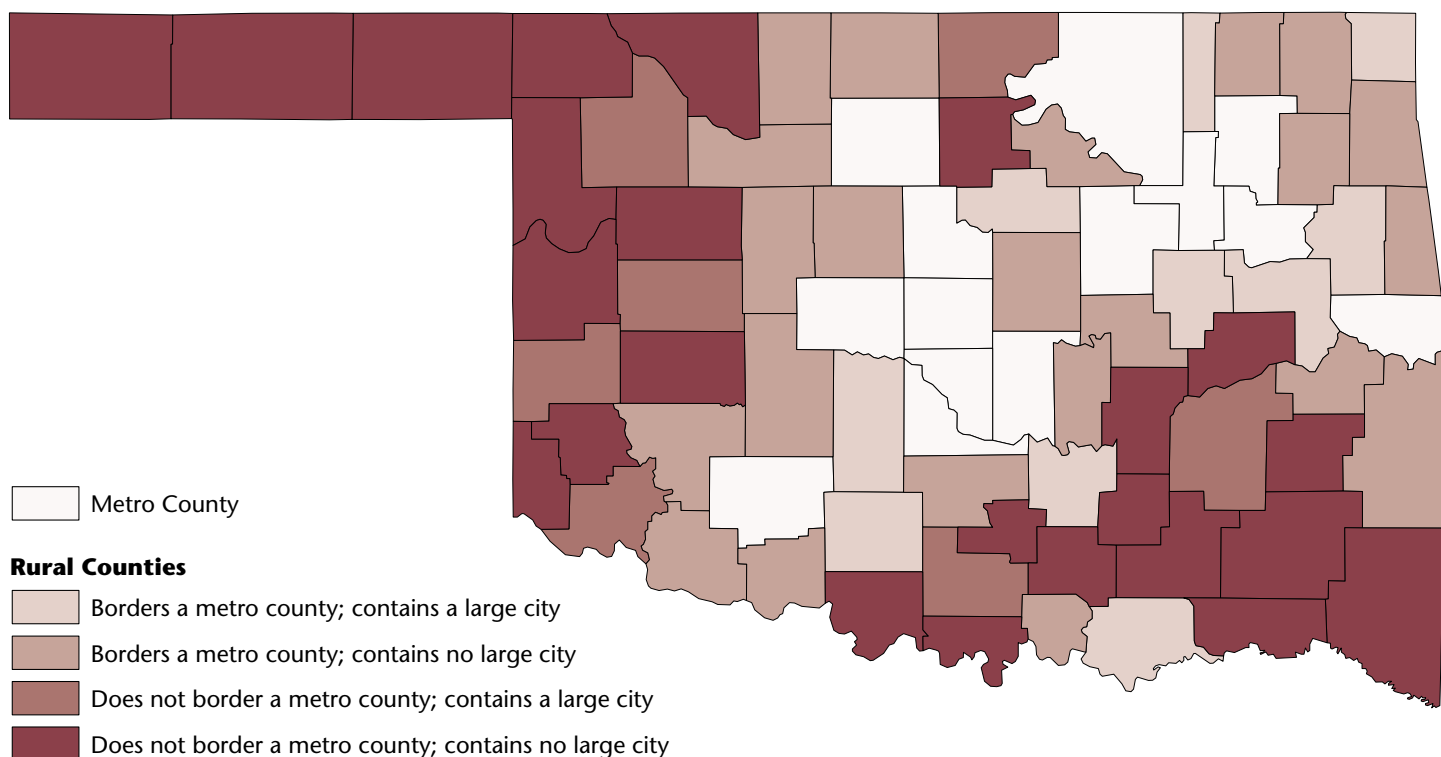
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Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in Rural Counties

	Type of rural county							
	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians	103	134	60	73	106	121	67	74
Generalist physicians	47	62	37	45	46	46	43	48
Medical specialists	10	17	4	5	4	13	3	3
Surgical specialists	27	31	10	11	26	34	12	13
General surgeons	8	9	4	5	9	9	7	3
OB-GYNs	6	9	3	3	8	10	3	4
Other surgeons	12	14	3	3	9	15	3	6
Other specialists	19	32	8	13	30	30	9	11
Dentists	33	28	23	20	30	31	26	22
PAs	7	6	6	3	8	1	19	2
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	216	210	103	119	220	213	136	100
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	98	159	43	48	96	98	65	113

OKLAHOMA



2000 Demography

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (Rank)
Total population	2,098,362	1,352,292	3,450,654	9.7	28	20	27
% population > 65	11.6	15.7	13.2	-2.0	24	13	19
% population < 15	21.6	20.6	21.2	-4.9	20	22	22
Per capita income (\$)	26,310	19,521	23,649	10.8	40	43	42
% families in poverty	9.8	13.3	11.2	-14.2	10	12	10

Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in 2000

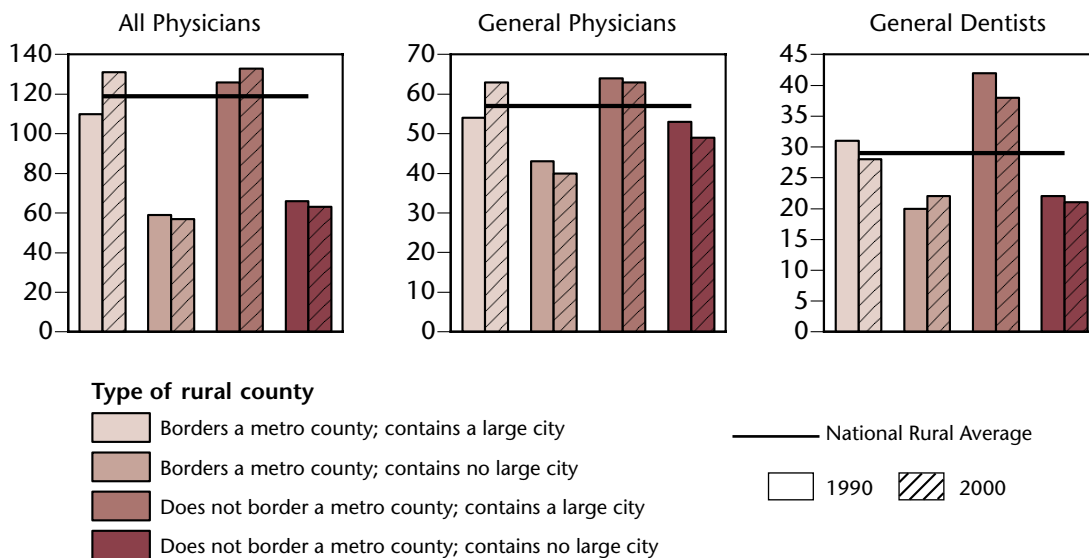
	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (rank)
Physicians	214	97	168	15.8	33	43	41
Generalist physicians	79	54	69	12.0	21	34	32
Medical specialists	41	11	29	37.7	20	29	24
Surgical specialists	42	18	33	0.6	45	44	49
General surgeons	8	5	7	-10.0	45	45	50
OB-GYNs	10	5	8	-0.4	48	42	46
Other surgeons	25	8	18	5.8	43	42	49
Other specialists	63	19	46	51.7	30	43	39
Dentists	39	26	34	-3.6	34	34	37
PAs	19	15	17	64.9	19	23	19
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	288	201	254	1.9	26	28	33
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	126	59	99	37.4	39	46	44

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Health Care Facilities and Access in Rural Counties in 2000

	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	10	22	7	24
Population	462,412	408,672	230,520	250,688
Short-term general hospitals	15	20	11	24
Hospital beds/100,000 persons	342	184	408	330
% pop. in persistent poverty counties	17.1	34.9	0	58.0
Per capita income (\$)	20,023	18,428	20,765	19,234
% families in poverty	12.5	13.5	12.7	15.0

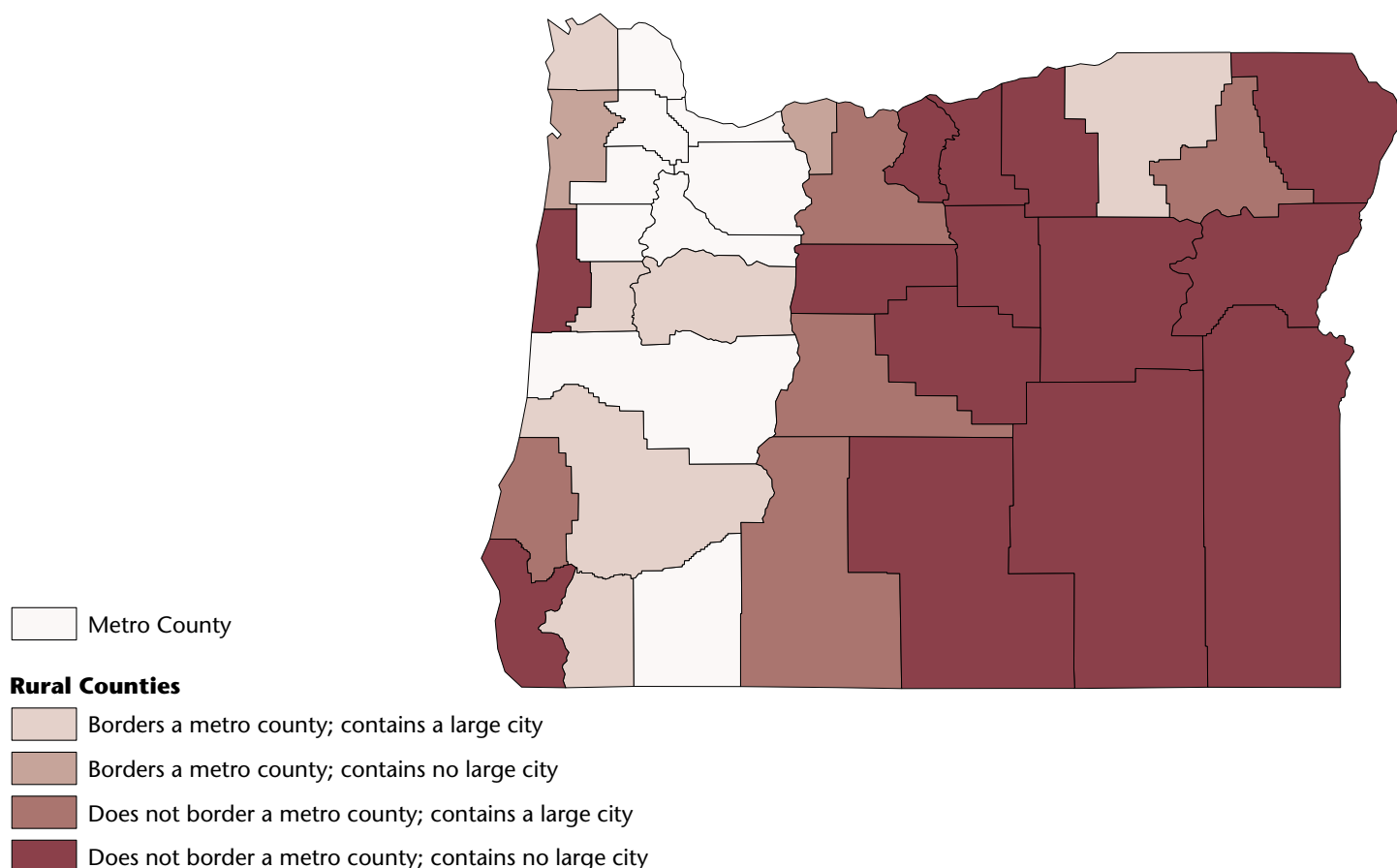
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Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in Rural Counties

	Type of rural county							
	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians	110	131	59	57	126	133	66	63
Generalist physicians	54	63	43	40	64	63	53	49
Medical specialists	6	17	2	6	6	13	3	6
Surgical specialists	28	28	7	5	34	36	5	6
General surgeons	5	6	5	3	11	11	3	4
OB-GYNs	7	9	1	1	7	7	1	1
Other surgeons	16	14	1	1	17	18	0	1
Other specialists	22	29	8	10	20	28	6	4
Dentists	31	28	20	22	42	38	22	21
PAs	11	15	1	15	12	15	3	18
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	264	288	84	99	226	271	112	146
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	29	83	18	30	69	71	20	50

OREGON



2000 Demography

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (Rank)
Total population	2,424,213	997,186	3,421,399	20.4	27	27	28
% population > 65	11.6	15.7	12.8	-7.0	23	14	25
% population < 15	20.6	20.0	20.4	-5.1	41	35	40
Per capita income (\$)	29,560	23,032	27,657	15.1	25	19	25
% families in poverty	7.2	9.5	7.9	-9.3	27	23	25

Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in 2000

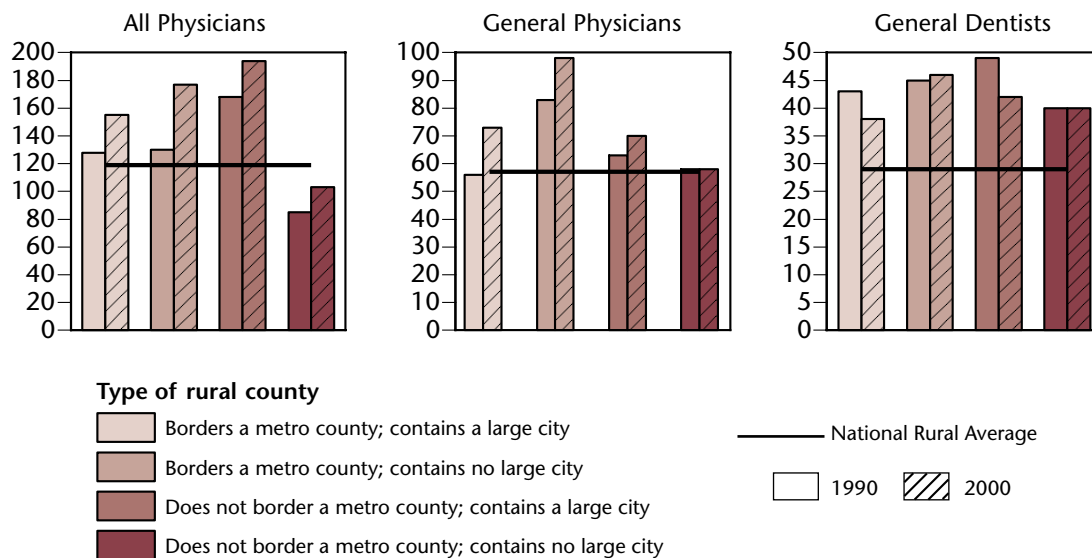
	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (rank)
Physicians	216	157	199	12.8	29	11	19
Generalist physicians	79	70	76	18.0	22	9	16
Medical specialists	30	12	25	23.4	46	23	40
Surgical specialists	48	37	45	-3.3	34	7	18
General surgeons	9	9	9	-17.2	37	9	32
OB-GYNs	12	8	11	9.0	26	10	20
Other surgeons	27	20	25	-2.2	34	7	14
Other specialists	64	41	57	23.4	27	10	17
Dentists	49	40	47	-11.9	7	11	8
PAs	11	11	11	19.3	38	34	37
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	273	173	244	-11.6	33	36	34
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	193	165	185	14.2	16	11	15

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Health Care Facilities and Access in Rural Counties in 2000

	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	6	2	5	14
Population	463,525	44,673	290,242	198,746
Short-term general hospitals	11	2	8	12
Hospital beds/100,000 persons	176	139	254	324
% pop. in persistent poverty counties	0	0	0	0
Per capita income (\$)	23,403	22,172	23,992	20,960
% families in poverty	9.3	8.8	9.1	10.6

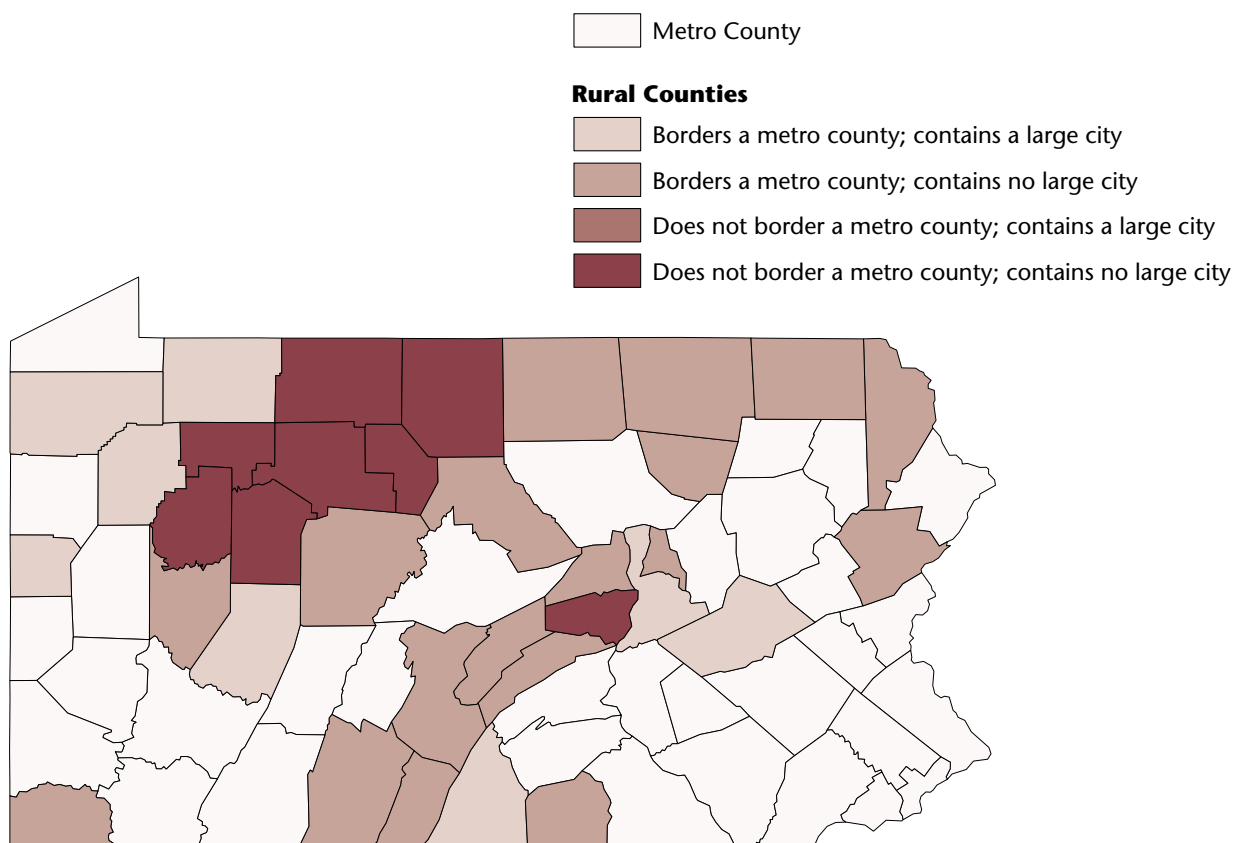
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Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in Rural Counties

	Type of rural county							
	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians	128	155	130	177	168	194	85	103
Generalist physicians	56	73	83	98	63	70	58	58
Medical specialists	9	12	8	7	10	18	2	5
Surgical specialists	33	33	23	27	51	54	16	20
General surgeons	9	8	13	9	13	11	7	8
OB-GYNs	6	8	3	9	10	10	2	5
Other surgeons	18	18	8	9	29	33	7	8
Other specialists	30	39	16	47	44	55	9	22
Dentists	43	38	45	46	49	42	40	40
PAs	3	7	0	9	10	14	3	14
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	209	176	221	143	301	180	153	161
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	112	162	0	22	150	234	121	103

PENNSYLVANIA



2000 Demography

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (Rank)
Total population	10,391,529	1,889,525	12,281,054	3.4	6	7	6
% population > 65	15.5	16.4	15.6	1.5	2	8	2
% population < 15	19.8	19.1	19.7	0.0	47	43	47
Per capita income (\$)	30,682	22,984	29,497	13.0	18	20	15
% families in poverty	7.7	7.9	7.8	-4.9	22	33	29

Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in 2000

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (rank)
Physicians	269	149	250	25.3	10	12	6
Generalist physicians	96	66	92	25.7	4	14	4
Medical specialists	52	21	47	35.5	5	7	4
Surgical specialists	53	30	49	11.9	23	16	10
General surgeons	11	8	11	-5.7	18	14	11
OB-GYNs	12	6	12	13.2	19	23	11
Other surgeons	29	15	27	20.4	25	16	10
Other specialists	81	37	74	49.7	7	14	6
Dentists	47	32	45	-0.3	10	23	12
PAs	18	19	18	35.8	20	12	17
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	316	236	304	-10.3	21	16	16
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	187	101	174	-0.9	17	28	18

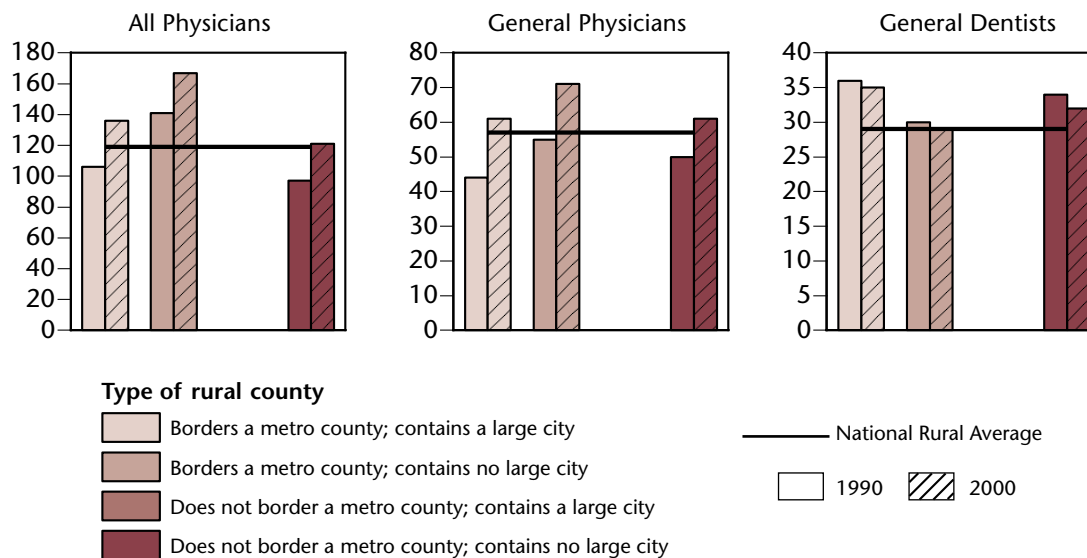
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PENNSYLVANIA

Health Care Facilities and Access in Rural Counties in 2000

	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	8	18	0	8
Population	750,247	903,987	...	235,291
Short-term general hospitals	16	21	...	7
Hospital beds/100,000 persons	302	295	...	325
% pop. in persistent poverty counties	0	0	...	0
Per capita income (\$)	23,433	22,283	...	24,246
% families in poverty	7.9	7.9	...	8.4

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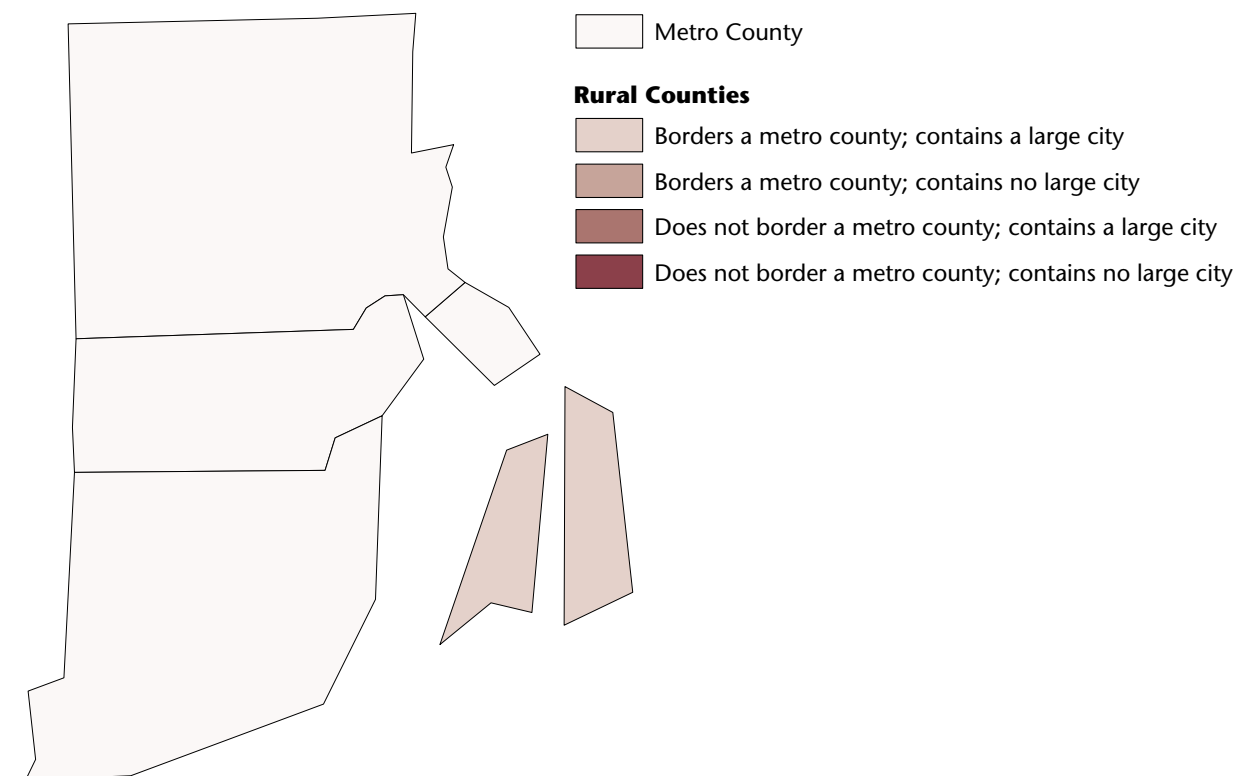


Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in Rural Counties

	Type of rural county							
	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians	106	136	141	167	...	...	97	121
Generalist physicians	44	61	55	71	...	...	50	61
Medical specialists	12	16	23	27	...	...	11	14
Surgical specialists	27	27	32	34	...	...	21	24
General surgeons	9	7	10	10	...	...	9	8
OB-GYNs	6	6	6	7	...	...	4	7
Other surgeons	13	14	16	18	...	...	8	9
Other specialists	22	36	31	40	...	...	15	29
Dentists	36	35	30	29	...	...	34	32
PAs	5	17	15	22	...	...	7	14
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	229	205	311	260	...	...	187	245
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	105	111	137	98	...	...	69	75

... No counties of this type

RHODE ISLAND



2000 Demography

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (Rank)
Total population	962,886	85,433	1,048,319	4.5	36	49	43
% population > 65	14.6	14.4	14.5	-3.1	4	24	6
% population < 15	19.8	18.9	19.8	4.3	46	44	46
Per capita income (\$)	28,708	33,659	29,111	9.6	31	1	17
% families in poverty	9.2	5.4	8.9	29.2	14	46	20

Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in 2000

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (rank)
Physicians	251	192	246	33.3	13	3	7
Generalist physicians	88	76	87	33.0	11	4	8
Medical specialists	49	21	46	61.0	9	6	6
Surgical specialists	56	42	55	14.1	12	3	5
General surgeons	13	9	12	-16.4	4	7	2
OB-GYNs	13	9	13	25.1	12	5	7
Other surgeons	31	23	30	29.0	24	2	4
Other specialists	67	56	66	47.7	20	3	9
Dentists	38	54	40	-3.5	35	1	23
PAs	12	6	12	102.8	32	38	32
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	163	55	155	-26.6	49	49	49
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	262	174	255	6.9	9	8	5

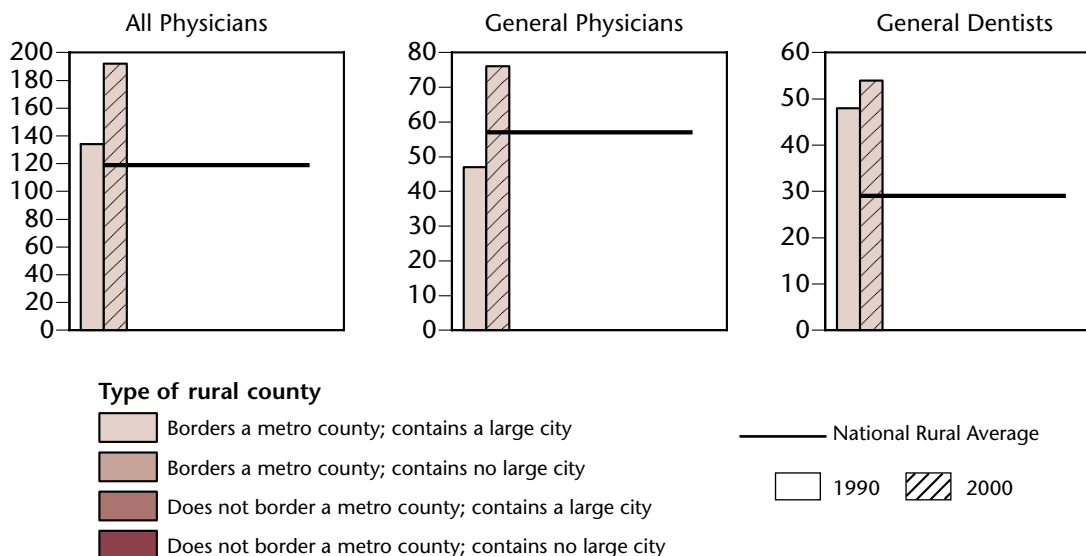
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RHODE ISLAND

Health Care Facilities and Access in Rural Counties in 2000

	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	1	0	0	0
Population	85,433	...	...	...
Short-term general hospitals	1	...	...	...
Hospital beds/100,000 persons	173	...	...	...
% pop. in persistent poverty counties	0
Per capita income (\$)	33,659
% families in poverty	5.4

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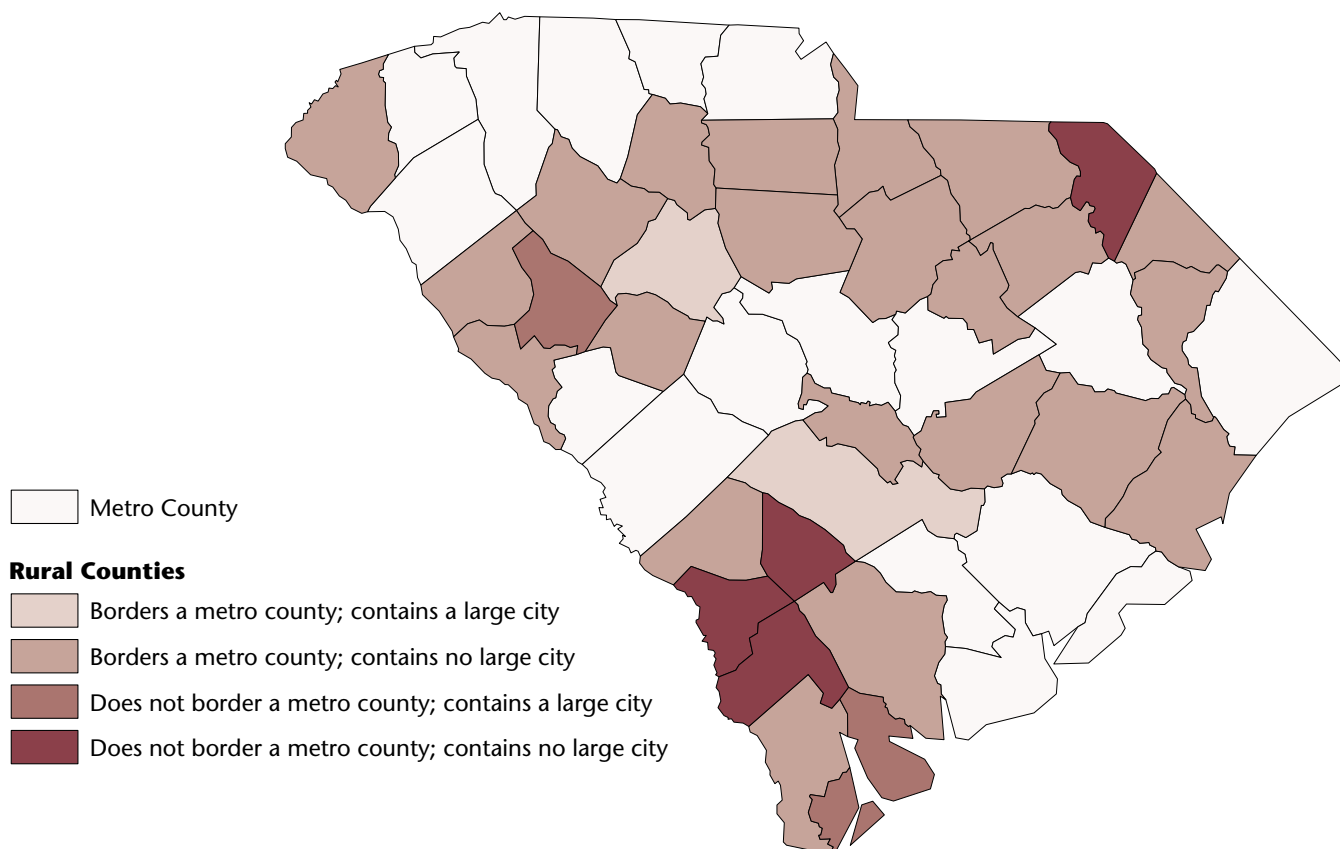


Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in Rural Counties

	Type of rural county							
	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians	134	192	...	...	...	...	...	...
Generalist physicians	47	76	...	...	...	...	...	...
Medical specialists	13	21	...	...	...	...	...	...
Surgical specialists	40	42	...	...	...	...	...	...
General surgeons	14	9	...	...	...	...	...	...
OB-GYNs	9	9	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other surgeons	17	23	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other specialists	34	56	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dentists	48	54	...	...	...	...	...	...
PAs	8	6
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	239	55
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	0	174

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SOUTH CAROLINA



2000 Demography

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (Rank)
Total population	2,806,962	1,205,050	4,012,012	15.1	26	21	26
% population > 65	11.5	13.5	12.1	6.3	26	36	31
% population < 15	20.8	21.2	20.9	-4.7	37	15	29
Per capita income (\$)	25,096	21,433	23,996	13.6	45	32	40
% families in poverty	9.4	13.8	10.7	-9.6	12	9	11

Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in 2000

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (rank)
Physicians	201	112	174	40.2	40	33	34
Generalist physicians	64	51	60	28.0	45	39	42
Medical specialists	32	11	26	94.2	39	30	35
Surgical specialists	51	28	44	26.0	28	22	22
General surgeons	11	8	10	9.3	22	22	20
OB-GYNs	12	8	11	35.1	21	9	16
Other surgeons	28	11	23	30.2	30	30	30
Other specialists	58	25	48	57.5	38	33	33
Dentists	30	25	29	-2.4	48	40	45
PAs	10	4	8	-21.2	41	42	41
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	328	191	287	11.4	19	30	21
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	140	82	123	32.8	35	38	35

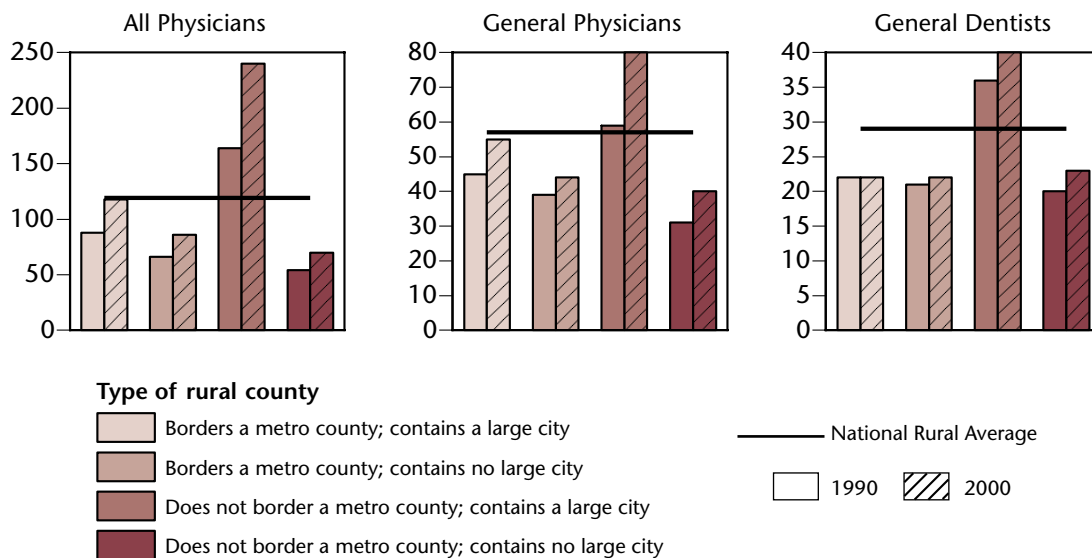
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SOUTH CAROLINA

Health Care Facilities and Access in Rural Counties in 2000

	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	2	22	2	4
Population	127,690	812,079	187,208	78,073
Short-term general hospitals	2	19	4	4
Hospital beds/100,000 persons	284	251	344	446
% pop. in persistent poverty counties	71.7	39.3	0	100
Per capita income (\$)	19,907	20,229	29,119	18,023
% families in poverty	16.0	14.0	8.7	20.5

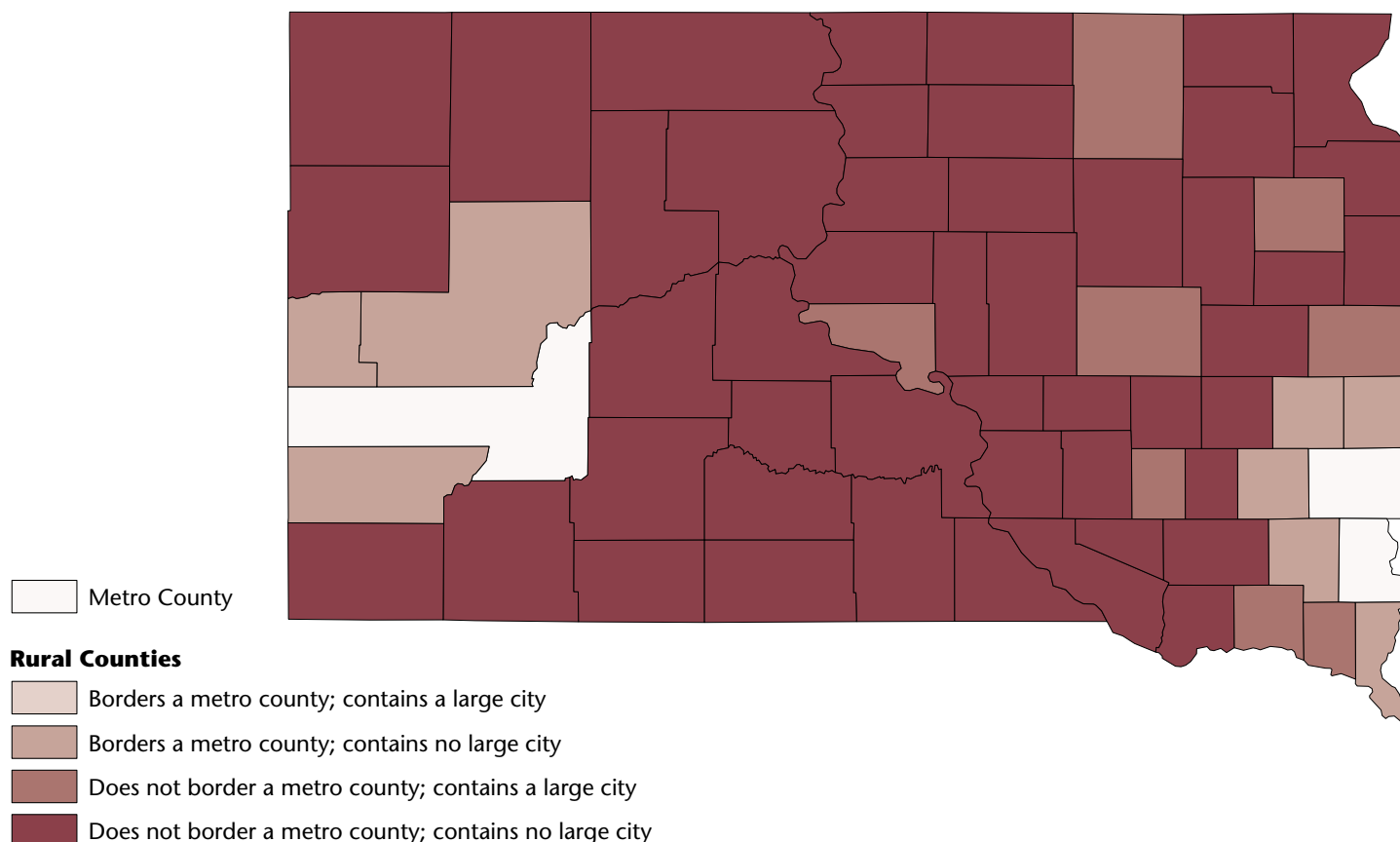
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Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in Rural Counties

	Type of rural county							
	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians	88	118	66	86	164	240	54	70
Generalist physicians	45	55	39	44	59	80	31	40
Medical specialists	7	20	3	7	10	21	5	10
Surgical specialists	22	26	15	18	54	75	10	12
General surgeons	7	6	6	7	14	17	7	3
OB-GYNs	4	8	4	6	17	22	3	4
Other surgeons	11	12	5	6	23	37	1	5
Other specialists	14	23	9	17	40	65	7	10
Dentists	22	22	21	22	36	40	20	23
PAs	12	2	8	3	0	7	0	8
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	187	267	126	161	250	294	116	137
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	62	88	44	76	72	111	34	70

SOUTH DAKOTA



2000 Demography

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (Rank)
Total population	260,977	493,867	754,844	8.4	46	37	46
% population > 65	11.2	16.0	14.3	-2.5	30	10	8
% population < 15	22.1	21.7	21.9	-9.8	13	10	12
Per capita income (\$)	29,219	24,232	25,956	21.4	26	12	33
% families in poverty	6.1	11.0	9.3	-19.8	38	18	17

Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in 2000

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (rank)
Physicians	286	112	172	34.9	3	34	36
Generalist physicians	86	61	70	16.1	13	20	31
Medical specialists	56	4	22	106.6	3	49	46
Surgical specialists	70	27	42	32.9	2	23	30
General surgeons	14	9	11	3.6	2	8	10
OB-GYNs	11	5	7	32.4	28	32	47
Other surgeons	45	13	24	52.9	2	23	24
Other specialists	76	21	40	59.2	10	39	46
Dentists	43	31	35	-6.8	22	26	33
PAs	28	33	32	99.6	6	2	2
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	584	282	386	-0.8	1	5	2
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	416	154	244	7.1	3	14	7

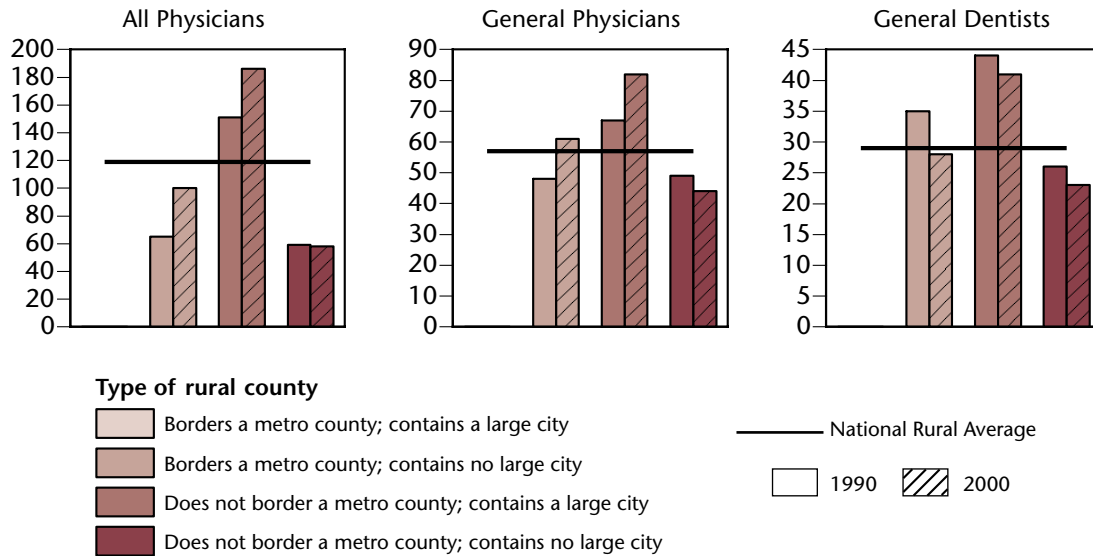
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SOUTH DAKOTA

Health Care Facilities and Access in Rural Counties in 2000

	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	0	8	8	47
Population	...	98,466	177,011	218,390
Short-term general hospitals	...	8	8	30
Hospital beds/100,000 persons	...	637	763	596
% pop. in persistent poverty counties	...	0	0	38.9
Per capita income (\$)	...	25,097	26,664	21,869
% families in poverty	...	6.9	7.1	16.1

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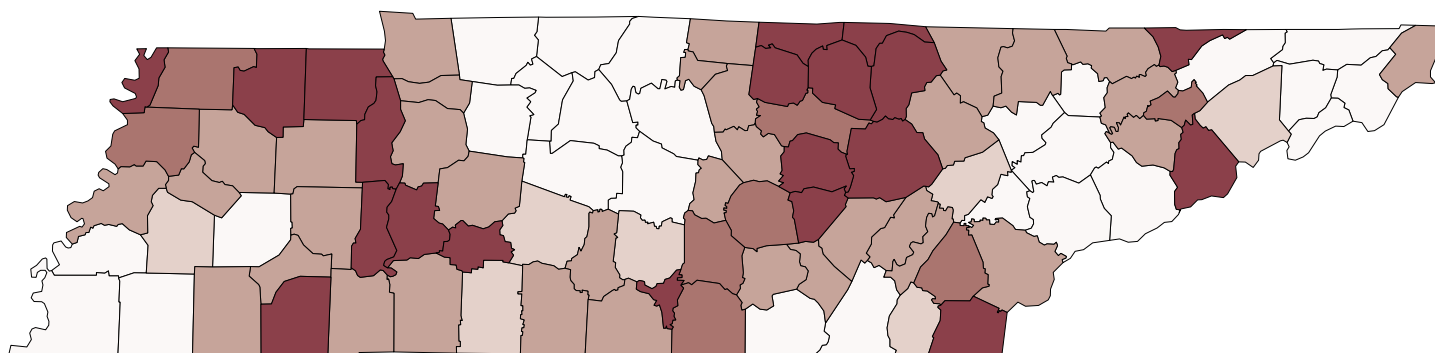


Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in Rural Counties

	Type of rural county							
	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians	65	100	151	186	59	58
Generalist physicians	48	61	67	82	49	44
Medical specialists	0	3	7	8	1	2
Surgical specialists	9	19	50	56	5	7
General surgeons	4	6	17	16	5	5
OB-GYNs	2	6	8	11	0	0
Other surgeons	2	7	25	29	0	2
Other specialists	9	19	26	41	4	5
Dentists	35	28	44	41	26	23
PA's	12	35	29	33	9	33
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	230	297	368	366	190	207
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	103	80	290	298	94	70





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TENNESSEE



 Metro County

Rural Counties

-  Borders a metro county; contains a large city
-  Borders a metro county; contains no large city
-  Does not border a metro county; contains a large city
-  Does not border a metro county; contains no large city

2000 Demography

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (Rank)
Total population	3,846,604	1,842,679	5,689,283	16.7	18	9	16
% population > 65	11.4	14.3	12.4	-2.6	27	26	29
% population < 15	20.9	19.6	20.5	-1.0	35	37	39
Per capita income (\$)	28,536	20,543	25,947	17.2	32	36	34
% families in poverty	9.5	11.9	10.3	-16.8	11	14	14

Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in 2000

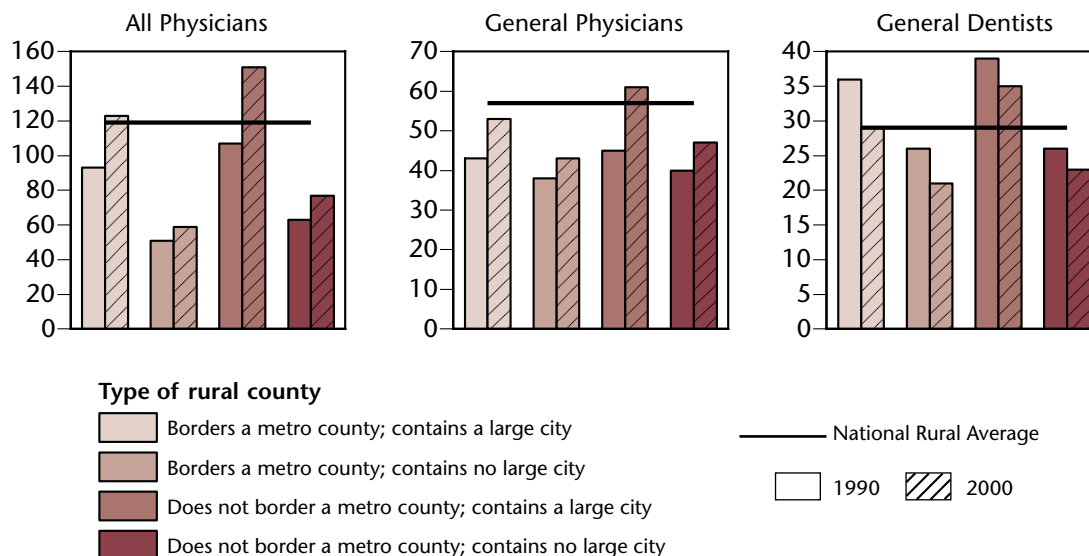
	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (rank)
Physicians	240	94	193	28.4	15	45	25
Generalist physicians	76	49	68	30.7	28	42	33
Medical specialists	42	8	31	70.7	17	39	16
Surgical specialists	60	21	48	9.6	9	40	12
General surgeons	12	7	10	-14.0	15	36	14
OB-GYNs	13	5	10	19.8	10	37	22
Other surgeons	35	9	27	17.8	5	40	11
Other specialists	66	17	50	31.2	23	45	27
Dentists	39	26	35	-11.6	32	37	34
PAs	10	5	8	-20.2	39	40	40
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	404	172	329	0.2	8	37	9
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	149	63	121	3.4	31	45	36

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Health Care Facilities and Access in Rural Counties in 2000

	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	7	34	8	20
Population	369,591	764,257	364,747	344,084
Short-term general hospitals	9	29	12	13
Hospital beds/100,000 persons	330	237	416	319
% pop. in persistent poverty counties	5.4	35.7	0	29.1
Per capita income (\$)	22,555	19,107	22,623	19,367
% families in poverty	10.1	12.7	11.0	13.0

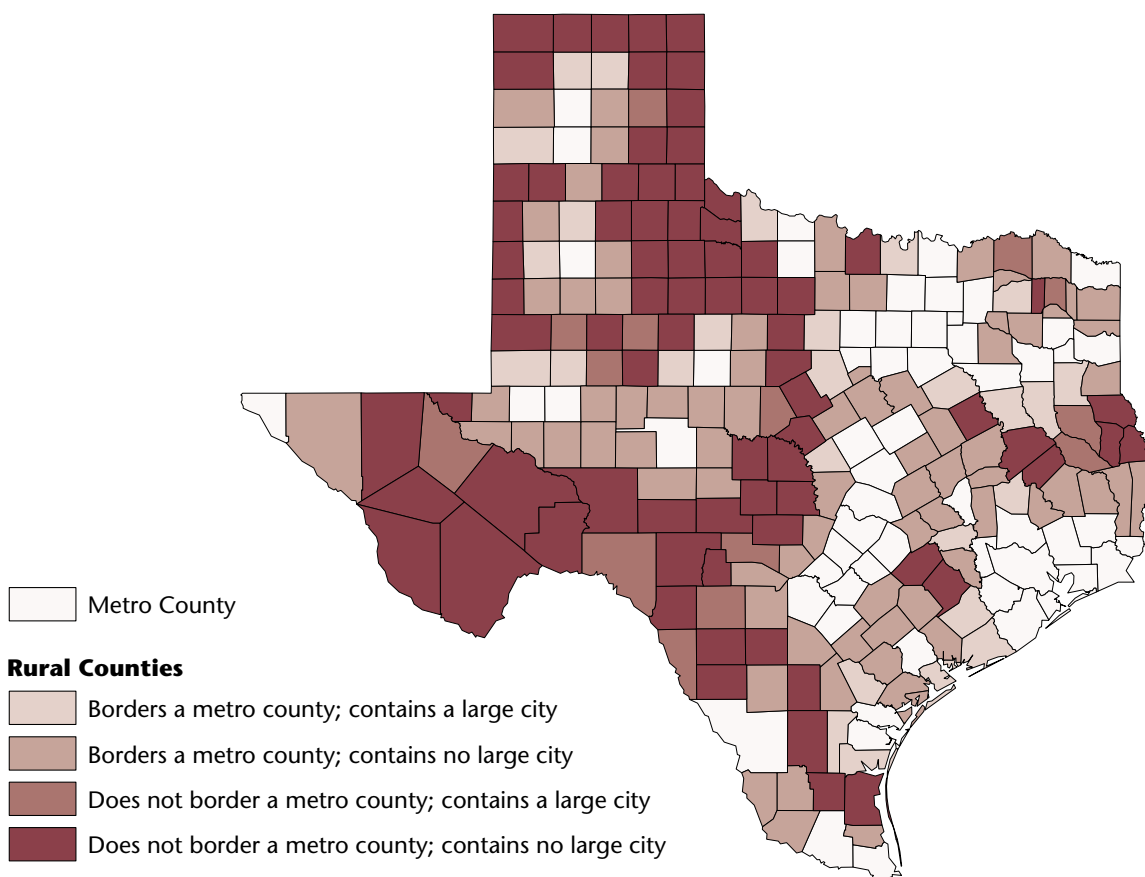
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Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in Rural Counties

	Type of rural county							
	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians	93	123	51	59	107	151	63	77
Generalist physicians	43	53	38	43	45	61	40	47
Medical specialists	7	13	0	3	7	19	1	4
Surgical specialists	25	31	8	7	35	41	14	16
General surgeons	8	8	6	4	12	10	8	7
OB-GYNs	4	7	1	2	9	12	2	3
Other surgeons	13	16	1	2	15	19	3	7
Other specialists	18	27	6	7	19	34	8	11
Dentists	36	29	26	21	39	35	26	23
PAs	11	8	3	5	8	4	15	6
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	181	217	87	110	195	255	149	174
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	101	75	31	44	57	98	31	58

TEXAS



2000 Demography

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (Rank)
Total population	17,691,880	3,159,940	20,851,820	22.8	2	1	2
% population > 65	9.0	15.3	9.9	-1.6	47	17	46
% population < 15	23.9	21.7	23.5	-2.0	3	11	3
Per capita income (\$)	29,042	20,490	27,746	20.7	28	38	24
% families in poverty	11.5	14.5	12.0	-15.0	4	8	8

Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in 2000

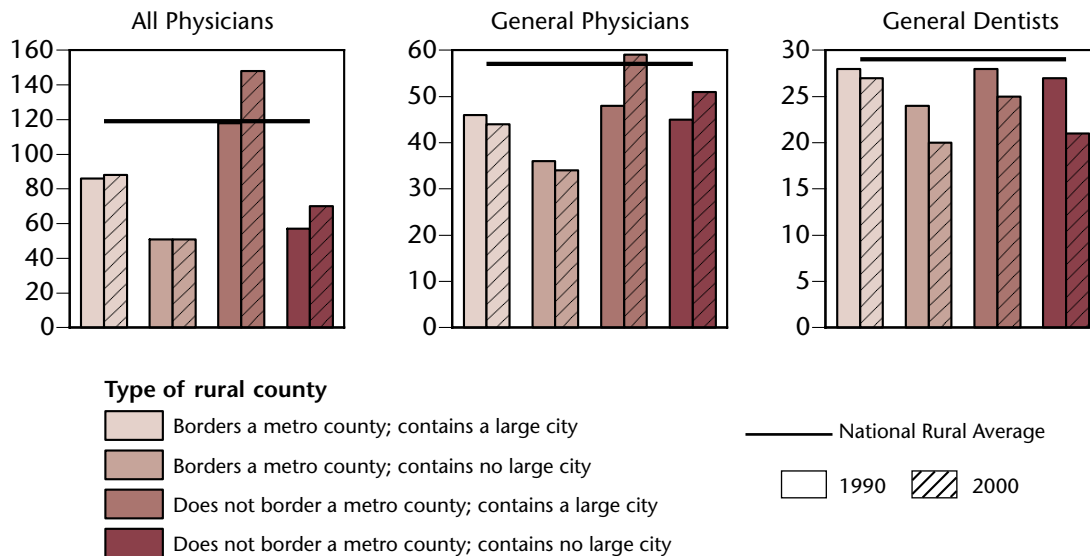
	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (rank)
Physicians	180	80	165	17.8	47	47	42
Generalist physicians	61	44	59	17.8	47	48	46
Medical specialists	31	7	27	35.9	40	41	29
Surgical specialists	42	16	38	1.9	46	47	41
General surgeons	8	5	7	-16.5	48	46	49
OB-GYNs	11	4	10	11.5	40	48	30
Other surgeons	23	8	21	6.0	46	46	40
Other specialists	51	15	46	32.0	46	47	38
Dentists	32	23	31	-10.0	44	42	42
PAs	12	13	12	22.0	34	26	34
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	274	160	256	9.3	32	41	32
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	87	47	81	4.0	47	48	48

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Health Care Facilities and Access in Rural Counties in 2000

	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	27	79	14	76
Population	826,403	1,238,224	516,210	579,103
Short-term general hospitals	34	55	18	55
Hospital beds/100,000 persons	264	153	414	272
% pop. in persistent poverty counties	24.4	39.0	28.3	44.8
Per capita income (\$)	20,684	20,090	20,477	21,081
% families in poverty	13.4	14.4	16.2	14.7

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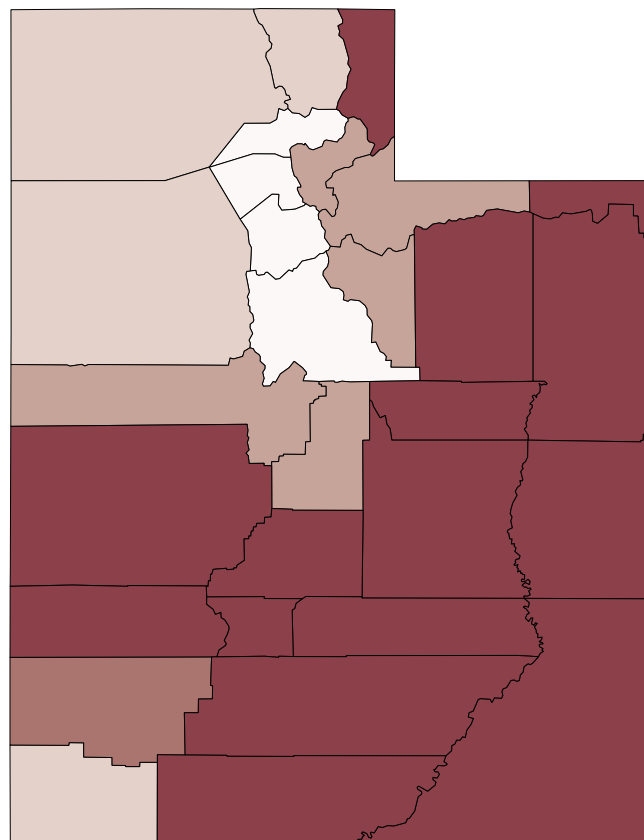
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	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians	86	88	51	51	118	148	57	70
Generalist physicians	46	44	36	34	48	59	45	51
Medical specialists	5	8	3	4	10	18	1	2
Surgical specialists	24	23	6	6	35	39	7	10
General surgeons	9	7	4	2	10	9	4	4
OB-GYNs	5	6	1	1	6	8	1	2
Other surgeons	10	10	2	2	19	21	2	4
Other specialists	12	16	6	8	26	36	4	7
Dentists	28	27	24	20	28	25	27	21
PAs	9	12	9	12	24	14	5	14
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	143	186	64	79	262	331	98	142
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	54	53	19	33	61	78	33	41

UTAH

 Metro County

Rural Counties

-  Borders a metro county; contains a large city
-  Borders a metro county; contains no large city
-  Does not border a metro county; contains a large city
-  Does not border a metro county; contains no large city

**2000 Demography**

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (Rank)
Total population	1,702,450	530,719	2,233,169	29.6	31	36	34
% population > 65	7.9	10.6	8.5	-2.1	49	48	49
% population < 15	26.5	26.9	26.6	-14.6	1	1	1
Per capita income (\$)	24,573	19,809	23,441	18.8	49	40	44
% families in poverty	5.8	8.5	6.5	-24.5	40	27	40

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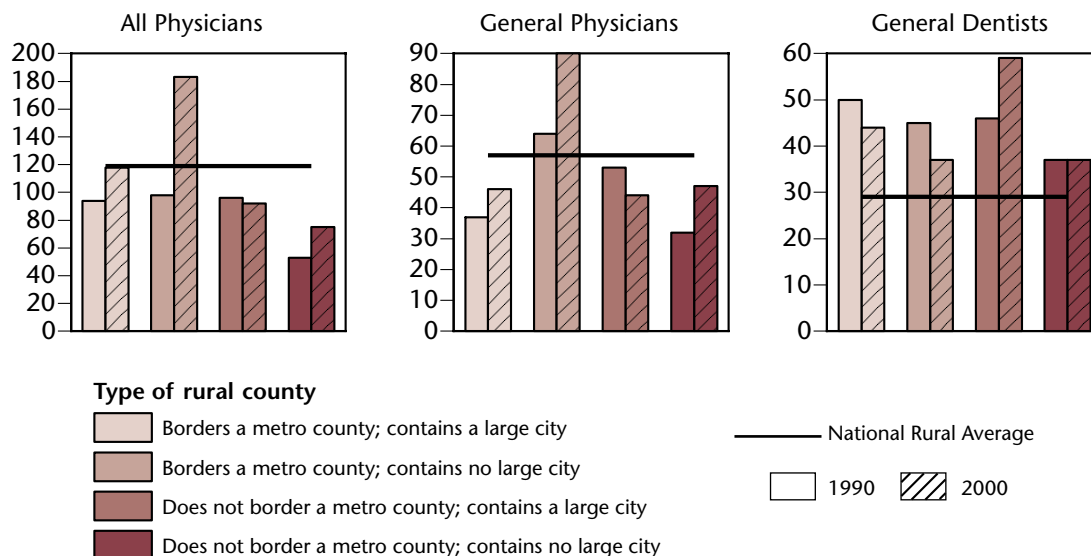
	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (rank)
Physicians	174	115	160	15.5	50	27	46
Generalist physicians	56	53	55	24.5	50	35	49
Medical specialists	27	9	23	40.1	49	35	45
Surgical specialists	44	25	39	-1.7	42	29	38
General surgeons	8	6	7	-16.3	47	43	48
OB-GYNs	11	6	10	4.8	35	24	28
Other surgeons	25	12	22	1.4	39	24	35
Other specialists	50	29	45	13.8	48	24	42
Dentists	44	42	44	-15.2	21	6	16
PAs	14	16	15	143.9	27	21	26
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	180	151	173	-14.0	48	43	48
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	155	97	141	-3.3	30	31	27

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Health Care Facilities and Access in Rural Counties in 2000

	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	4	5	1	15
Population	265,225	83,081	33,779	148,634
Short-term general hospitals	5	4	1	12
Hospital beds/100,000 persons	178	90	101	277
% pop. in persistent poverty counties	0	0	0	9.7
Per capita income (\$)	19,342	25,918	16,104	18,071
% families in poverty	7.1	5.6	13.1	11.4

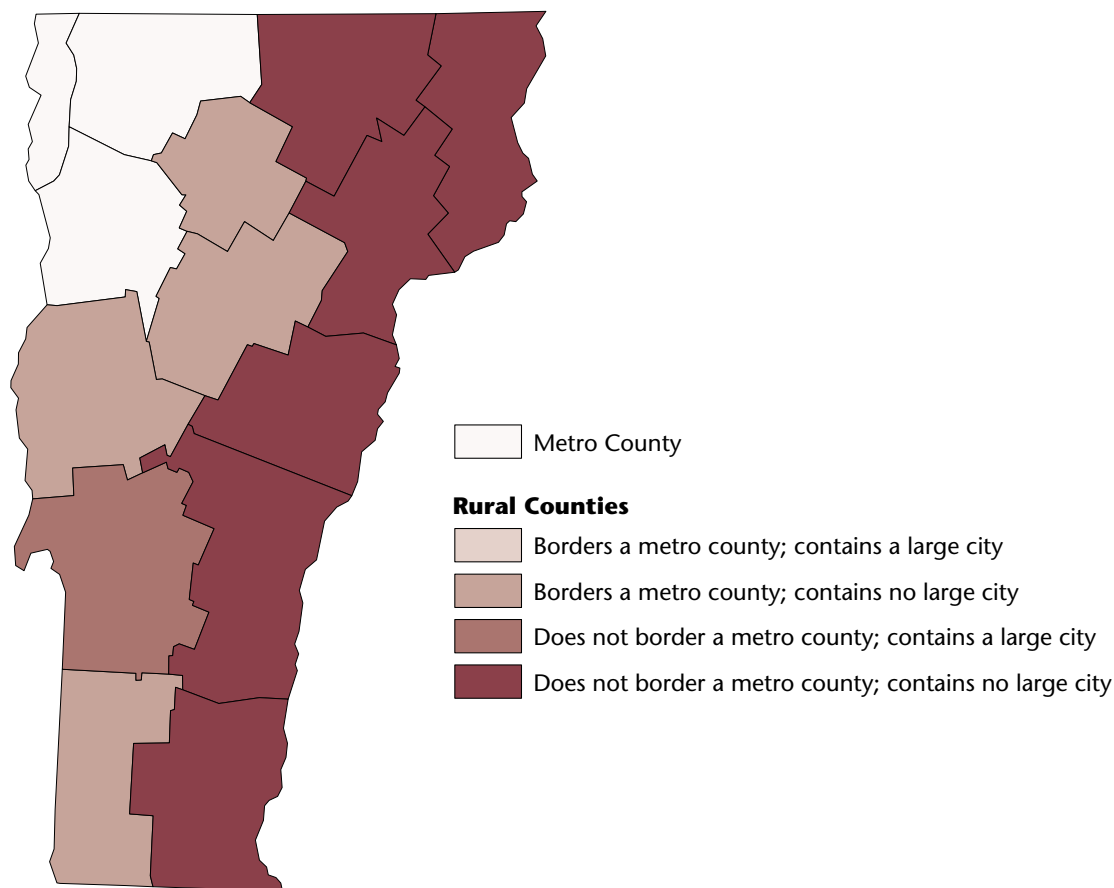
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Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in Rural Counties

	Type of rural county							
	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians	94	118	98	183	96	92	53	75
Generalist physicians	37	46	64	90	53	44	32	47
Medical specialists	7	12	4	14	5	3	0	3
Surgical specialists	32	34	8	18	19	27	9	12
General surgeons	8	8	2	5	0	6	2	3
OB-GYNs	9	9	0	2	5	6	4	3
Other surgeons	15	17	6	11	14	15	3	5
Other specialists	18	28	23	66	19	18	12	13
Dentists	50	44	45	37	46	59	37	37
PAs	13	14	4	18	0	15	16	19
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	136	168	62	87	127	189	111	147
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	122	108	36	36	80	80	105	116

VERMONT



2000 Demography

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (Rank)
Total population	198,889	409,938	608,827	8.2	49	39	49
% population > 65	9.9	14.1	12.7	8.3	44	28	26
% population < 15	20.5	19.5	19.8	-8.0	42	39	45
Per capita income (\$)	29,614	25,507	26,848	12.9	24	9	31
% families in poverty	5.5	6.6	6.3	-9.8	47	41	42

Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in 2000

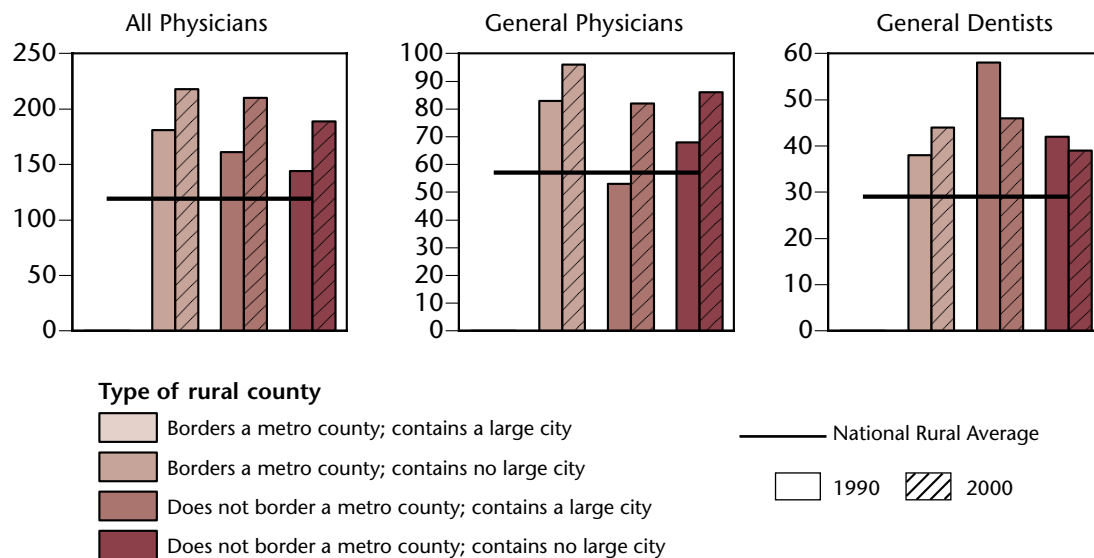
	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (rank)
Physicians	323	203	242	33.2	1	2	8
Generalist physicians	107	89	95	31.0	2	1	2
Medical specialists	64	16	32	76.6	1	14	15
Surgical specialists	63	43	50	11.6	4	2	9
General surgeons	14	12	13	0.1	1	2	1
OB-GYNs	13	10	11	7.3	18	3	19
Other surgeons	37	21	26	20.5	4	4	13
Other specialists	109	58	74	52.2	1	2	5
Dentists	45	42	43	-3.0	20	4	19
PAs	25	18	20	56.6	10	16	13
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	212	159	176	-22.0	43	42	47
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	453	186	273	49.0	2	7	3

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Health Care Facilities and Access in Rural Counties in 2000

	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	0	4	1	6
Population	...	154,240	63,400	192,298
Short-term general hospitals	...	4	1	8
Hospital beds/100,000 persons	...	381	208	235
% pop. in persistent poverty counties	...	0	0	0
Per capita income (\$)	...	26,536	25,279	24,756
% families in poverty	...	5.9	7.1	7.0

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Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in Rural Counties





	Type of rural county							
	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians	181	218	161	210	144	189
Generalist physicians	83	96	53	82	68	86
Medical specialists	10	14	16	28	11	14
Surgical specialists	44	47	48	47	29	38
General surgeons	13	13	16	9	12	12
OB-GYNs	8	10	8	9	7	10
Other surgeons	23	24	24	28	11	16
Other specialists	43	63	43	58	37	54
Dentists	38	44	58	46	42	39
PAs	9	16	14	14	7	20
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	200	147	163	185	192	160
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	122	197	309	259	145	153

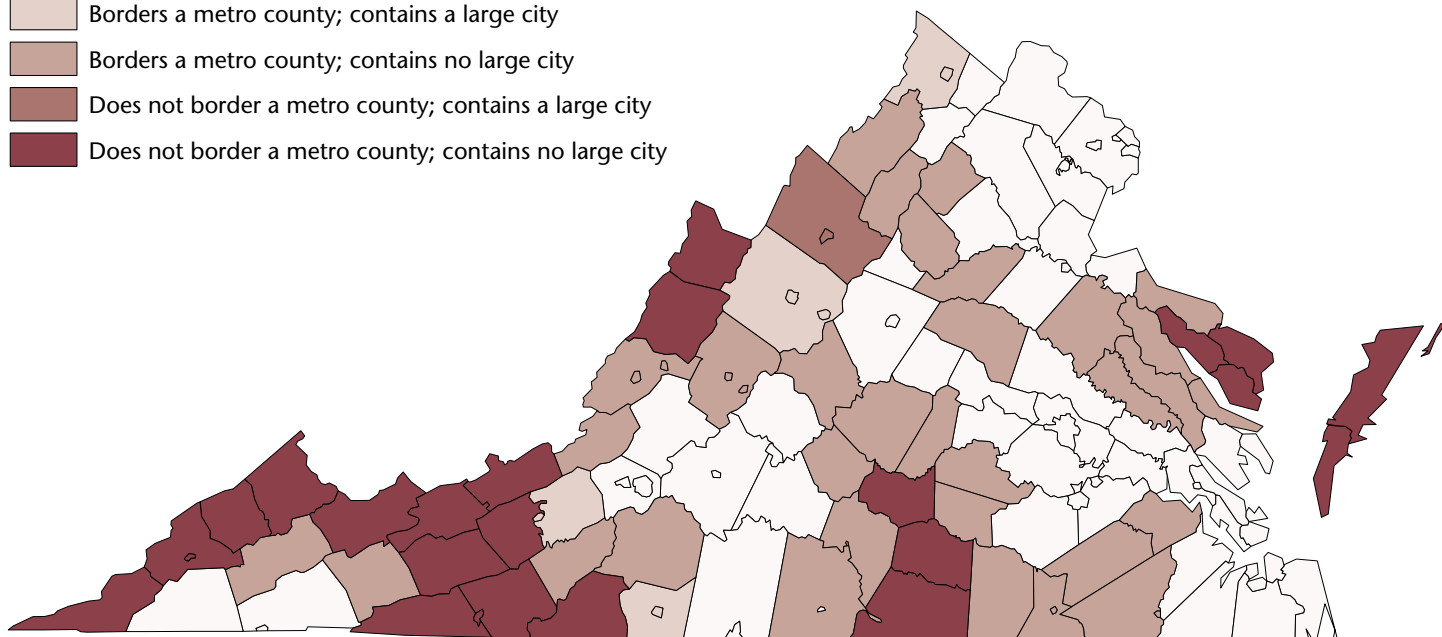
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 Metro County

Rural Counties

-  Borders a metro county; contains a large city
-  Borders a metro county; contains no large city
-  Does not border a metro county; contains a large city
-  Does not border a metro county; contains no large city



2000 Demography

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (Rank)
Total population	5,528,068	1,550,447	7,078,515	14.4	12	15	12
% population > 65	10.1	14.9	11.2	4.2	43	20	43
% population < 15	21.2	18.1	20.5	0.3	28	47	38
Per capita income (\$)	31,759	18,468	28,847	6.1	13	47	18
% families in poverty	6.2	9.8	7.0	-9.6	36	22	34

Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in 2000

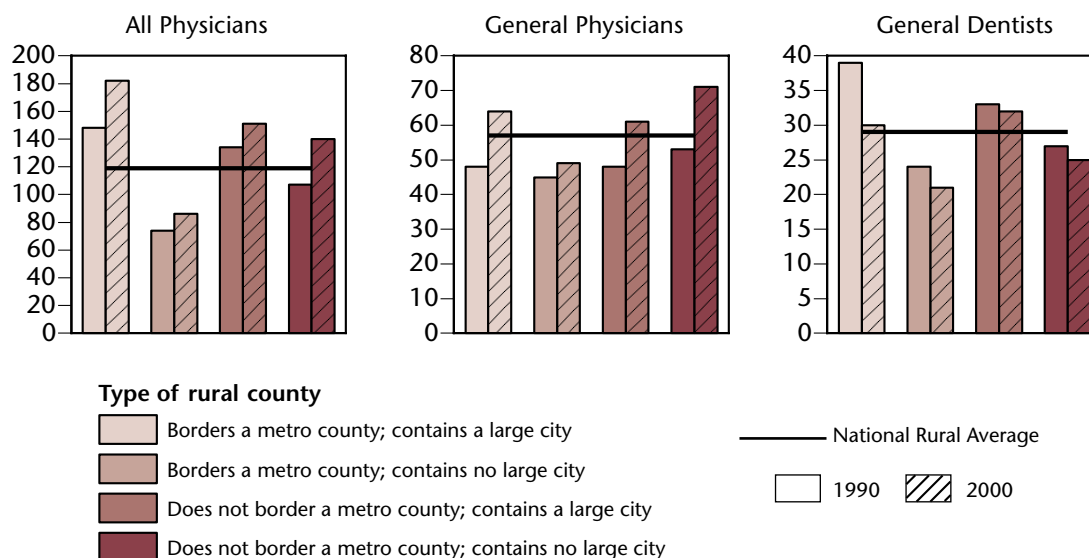
	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (rank)
Physicians	212	129	194	25.8	35	21	24
Generalist physicians	73	60	70	29.1	33	23	28
Medical specialists	34	13	30	58.5	33	19	22
Surgical specialists	50	30	46	11.9	30	18	16
General surgeons	10	8	9	-0.3	27	15	23
OB-GYNs	13	8	12	16.0	17	13	10
Other surgeons	28	14	25	15.3	31	21	19
Other specialists	59	28	52	26.0	36	25	25
Dentists	40	25	37	-2.8	29	39	30
PAs	10	6	9	62.4	40	39	39
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	278	236	269	6.1	31	18	27
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	109	83	103	-2.2	42	37	42

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Health Care Facilities and Access in Rural Counties in 2000

	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	9	38	2	24
Population	364,616	605,528	108,193	472,110
Short-term general hospitals	5	11	1	18
Hospital beds/100,000 persons	245	222	222	398
% pop. in persistent poverty counties	0	3.0	0	12.0
Per capita income (\$)	16,615	19,837	13,823	19,209
% families in poverty	7.2	9.4	6.9	12.6

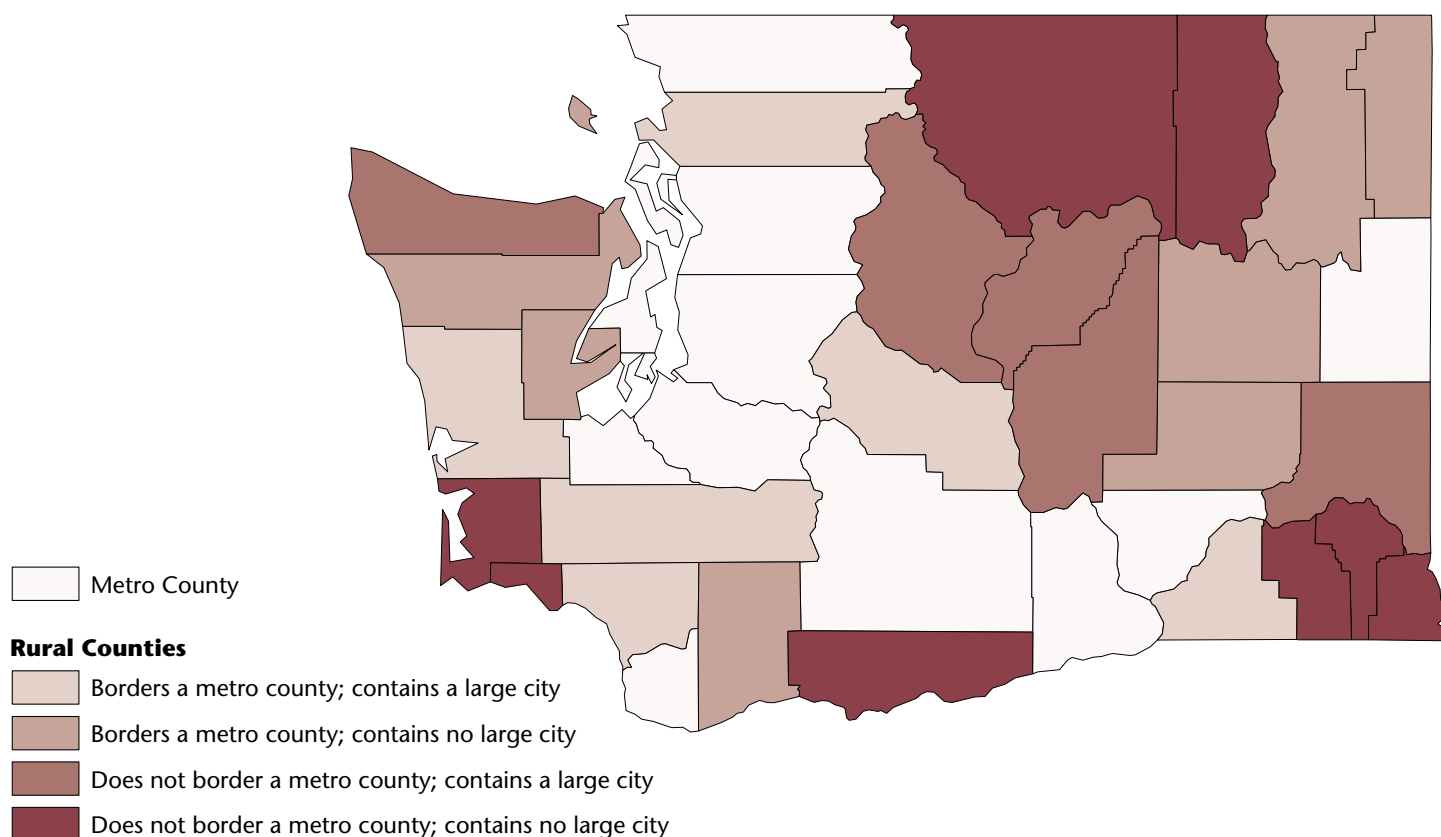
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Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in Rural Counties

	Type of rural county							
	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians	148	182	74	86	134	151	107	140
Generalist physicians	48	64	45	49	48	61	53	71
Medical specialists	13	22	3	6	11	19	6	12
Surgical specialists	46	49	13	15	37	32	26	32
General surgeons	9	9	5	6	9	6	10	11
OB-GYNs	9	13	3	4	7	8	6	8
Other surgeons	27	28	5	6	22	18	10	12
Other specialists	40	47	13	17	37	38	22	26
Dentists	39	30	24	21	33	32	27	25
PAs	4	11	3	3	0	6	3	6
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	271	353	106	140	247	222	233	272
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	107	130	30	55	131	183	51	60

WASHINGTON



2000 Demography

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (Rank)
Total population	4,899,154	994,967	5,894,121	21.1	15	28	15
% population > 65	10.5	14.8	11.2	-5.0	39	21	42
% population < 15	21.4	21.0	21.3	-3.6	25	19	21
Per capita income (\$)	32,998	22,592	31,241	18.5	11	25	10
% families in poverty	6.7	10.4	7.3	-6.6	31	20	33

Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in 2000

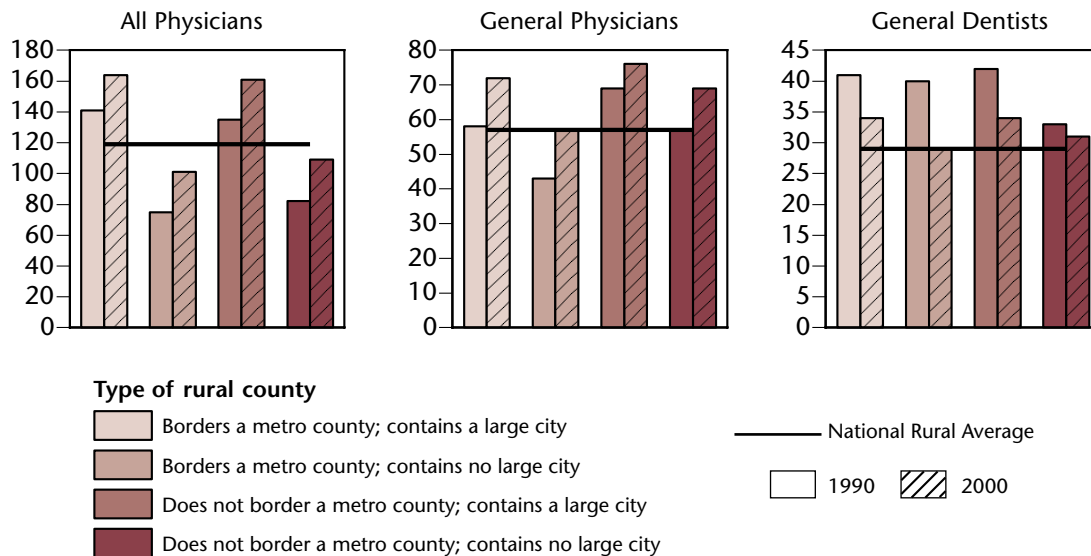
	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (rank)
Physicians	210	146	199	17.1	36	13	18
Generalist physicians	78	70	77	18.6	26	8	14
Medical specialists	30	12	27	32.8	43	25	31
Surgical specialists	44	31	42	3.6	40	14	28
General surgeons	8	7	8	-9.6	42	34	38
OB-GYNs	10	7	10	19.2	41	16	27
Other surgeons	26	16	24	3.2	38	13	22
Other specialists	61	35	57	25.3	33	16	18
Dentists	45	33	43	-15.1	18	22	18
PAs	19	21	20	98.9	16	9	15
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	193	148	185	-8.5	46	44	46
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	180	174	179	5.0	18	9	17

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Health Care Facilities and Access in Rural Counties in 2000

	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	6	8	5	8
Population	420,263	177,717	279,182	117,805
Short-term general hospitals	11	10	8	11
Hospital beds/100,000 persons	276	258	207	315
% pop. in persistent poverty counties	0	0	0	0
Per capita income (\$)	23,265	22,468	22,271	21,140
% families in poverty	10.0	9.7	10.5	12.5

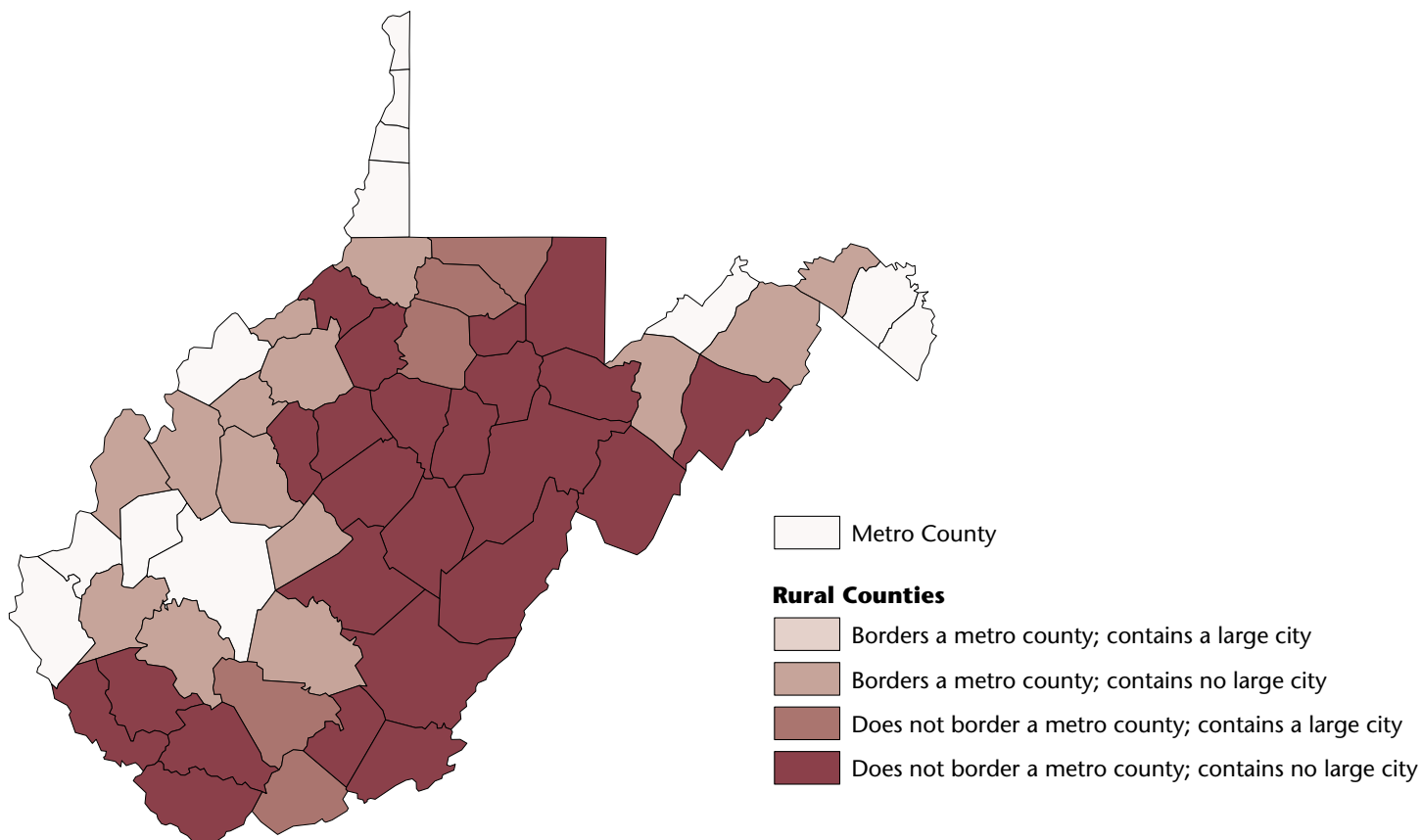
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Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in Rural Counties

	Type of rural county							
	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians	141	164	75	101	135	161	82	109
Generalist physicians	58	72	43	57	69	76	57	69
Medical specialists	9	13	1	5	8	15	4	8
Surgical specialists	39	39	15	18	32	34	5	10
General surgeons	9	9	7	7	7	6	2	3
OB-GYNs	8	10	1	3	7	8	2	3
Other surgeons	21	21	6	8	19	20	1	4
Other specialists	34	42	15	23	25	38	17	25
Dentists	41	34	40	29	42	34	33	31
PAs	11	17	9	31	7	17	5	26
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	189	177	113	83	132	112	171	227
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	151	216	69	145	100	150	34	127

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2000 Demography

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (Rank)
Total population	765,568	1,042,776	1,808,344	0.8	41	26	37
% population > 65	15.3	15.3	15.3	2.1	3	16	3
% population < 15	18.4	18.0	18.2	-9.7	50	48	50
Per capita income (\$)	24,731	19,539	21,737	13.2	48	42	49
% families in poverty	10.9	16.1	13.9	-13.2	7	4	4

Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in 2000

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (rank)
Physicians	240	162	195	29.9	16	9	23
Generalist physicians	90	76	82	37.3	9	5	12
Medical specialists	35	22	27	53.2	30	5	28
Surgical specialists	54	33	42	6.8	19	12	29
General surgeons	12	10	11	-5.6	14	3	9
OB-GYNs	11	7	9	11.4	38	18	40
Other surgeons	32	16	22	12.2	14	14	34
Other specialists	67	37	50	47.8	22	13	29
Dentists	37	28	32	-0.8	36	32	40
PA's	20	29	25	83.5	15	4	8
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	510	332	407	28.9	3	2	1
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	179	104	136	9.8	20	26	29

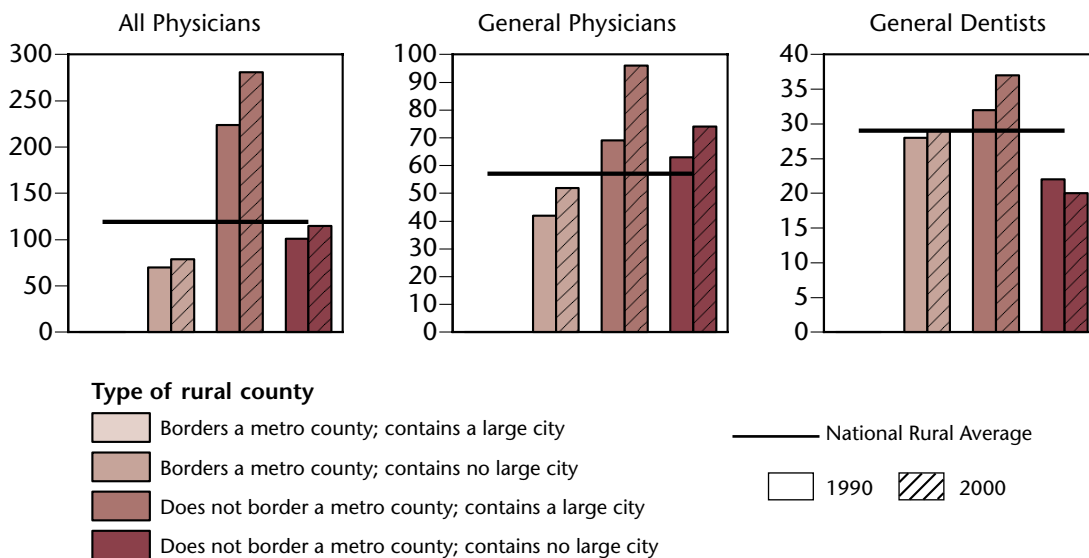
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Health Care Facilities and Access in Rural Counties in 2000

	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	0	14	5	24
Population	...	262,823	349,316	430,637
Short-term general hospitals	...	10	11	18
Hospital beds/100,000 persons	...	282	664	294
% pop. in persistent poverty counties	...	12.3	0	30.1
Per capita income (\$)	...	18,292	22,770	17,680
% families in poverty	...	16.2	13.3	18.1

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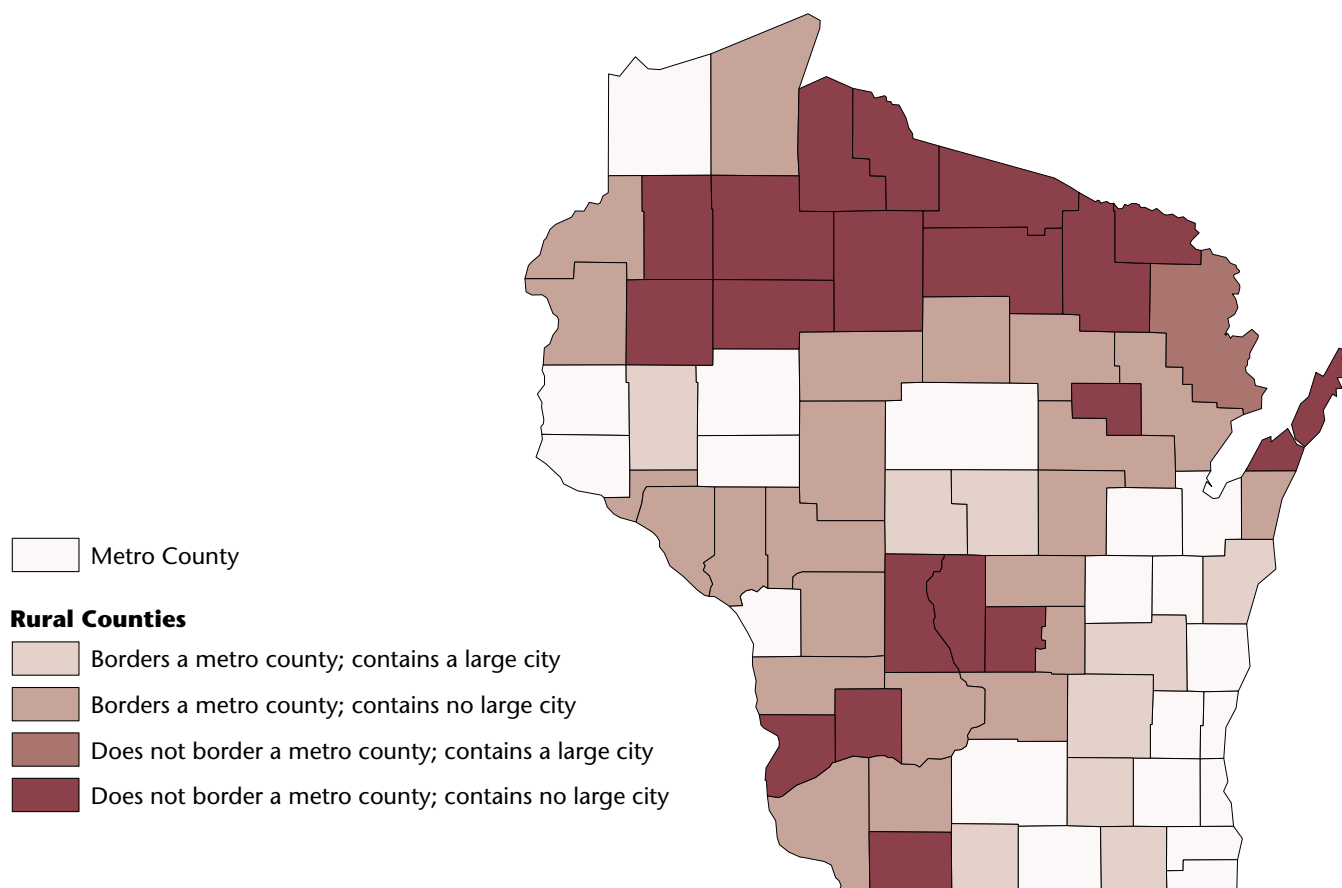


Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in Rural Counties

	Type of rural county							
	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians	70	79	224	281	101	115
Generalist physicians	42	52	69	96	63	74
Medical specialists	4	5	34	50	7	9
Surgical specialists	13	13	65	67	18	18
General surgeons	8	8	16	17	8	7
OB-GYNs	3	2	12	14	4	5
Other surgeons	2	3	37	36	6	6
Other specialists	11	12	58	80	13	18
Dentists	28	29	32	37	22	20
PAs	1	14	19	36	11	33
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	131	160	477	637	158	190
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	42	46	118	217	40	48

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WISCONSIN



2000 Demography

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (Rank)
Total population	3,640,308	1,723,367	5,363,675	9.6	20	12	18
% population > 65	12.0	15.5	13.1	-1.6	17	15	20
% population < 15	21.3	20.2	21.0	-5.9	26	29	26
Per capita income (\$)	30,403	23,228	28,098	17.5	20	17	19
% families in poverty	5.8	5.3	5.6	-26.1	45	47	48

Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in 2000

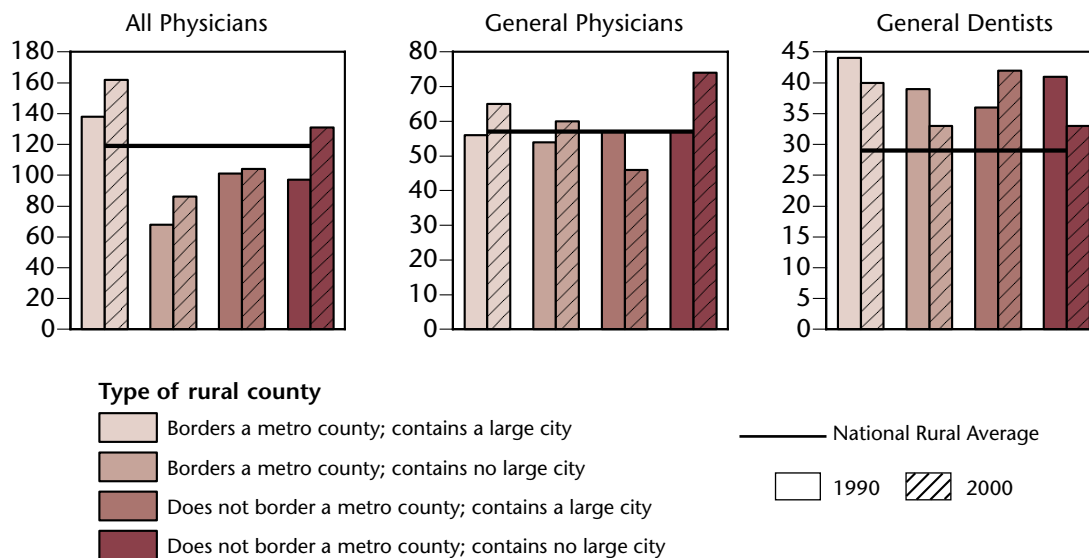
	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (rank)
Physicians	225	124	192	27.5	24	23	26
Generalist physicians	79	64	74	24.2	23	16	24
Medical specialists	35	11	27	62.4	31	26	27
Surgical specialists	48	24	40	11.8	33	34	34
General surgeons	9	8	9	-3.0	32	25	33
OB-GYNs	11	4	9	11.1	39	44	38
Other surgeons	28	12	23	19.1	28	28	29
Other specialists	67	27	54	39.6	19	27	23
Dentists	47	36	43	-15.1	11	15	17
PA's	16	14	16	144.9	26	25	25
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	213	143	191	-7.0	42	45	45
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	290	151	246	7.3	6	15	6

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Health Care Facilities and Access in Rural Counties in 2000

	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	9	23	1	19
Population	650,102	682,251	43,384	347,630
Short-term general hospitals	14	31	1	17
Hospital beds/100,000 persons	293	308	265	357
% pop. in persistent poverty counties	0	0	0	0
Per capita income (\$)	25,233	22,105	21,923	21,847
% families in poverty	4.1	5.6	5.6	6.7

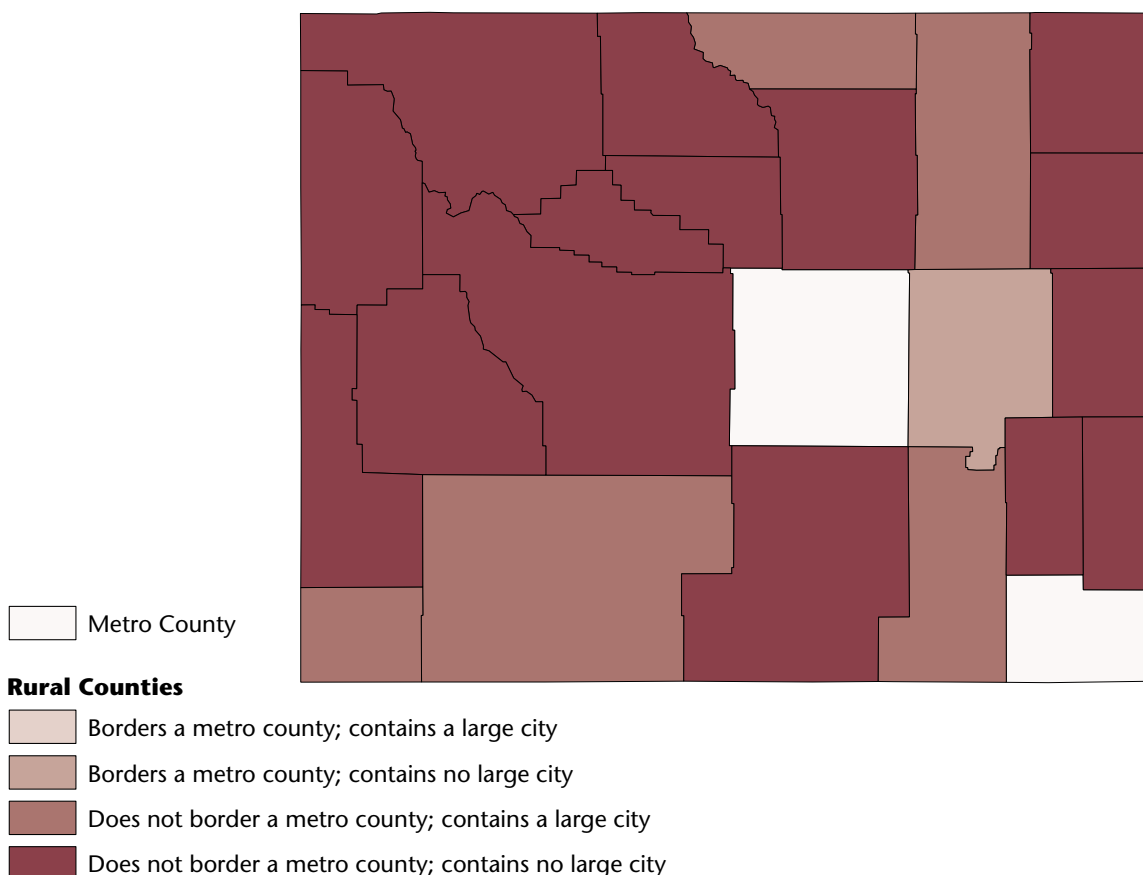
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Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in Rural Counties

	Type of rural county							
	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians	138	162	68	86	101	104	97	131
Generalist physicians	56	65	54	60	57	46	57	74
Medical specialists	17	23	0	3	5	9	2	6
Surgical specialists	34	36	8	11	27	32	22	27
General surgeons	9	8	6	7	7	7	10	10
OB-GYNs	7	7	0	1	7	9	3	6
Other surgeons	18	21	2	3	12	16	10	12
Other specialists	32	43	6	13	12	16	15	26
Dentists	44	40	39	33	36	42	41	33
PAs	2	13	4	15	5	7	7	16
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	159	169	108	95	164	95	198	196
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	201	202	113	111	149	260	142	122

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2000 Demography

	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (Rank)
Total population	148,140	345,642	493,782	8.9	50	43	50
% population > 65	12.0	11.5	11.7	12.3	16	47	37
% population < 15	21.2	20.8	20.9	-16.9	29	20	27
Per capita income (\$)	29,866	26,295	27,366	15.5	22	6	27
% families in poverty	7.5	8.3	8.0	-13.6	24	29	24

Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in 2000

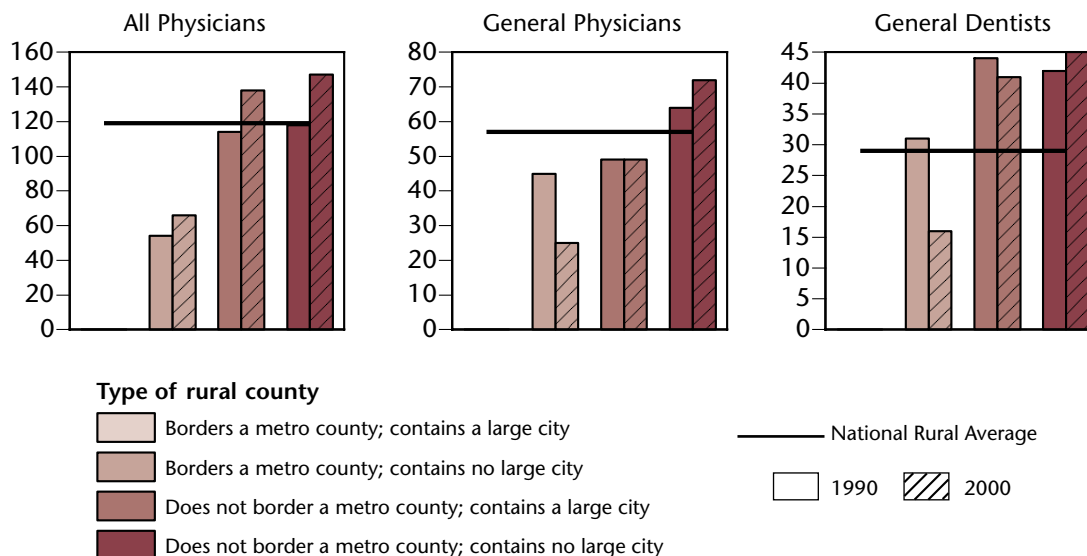
	Metro	Rural	Total	% Change from 1990	Metro (Rank)	Rural (Rank)	Total (rank)
Physicians	199	140	158	21.0	42	14	47
Generalist physicians	71	60	64	8.4	36	21	37
Medical specialists	28	6	13	141.1	48	44	50
Surgical specialists	53	36	42	17.7	22	8	31
General surgeons	9	9	9	1.0	31	11	31
OB-GYNs	9	9	9	18.1	49	6	34
Other surgeons	34	19	23	25.3	8	11	26
Other specialists	51	40	43	37.8	47	11	44
Dentists	42	42	42	-1.0	25	5	21
PAs	26	21	22	363.4	9	8	10
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	326	236	263	-0.8	20	17	30
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	60	108	94	-9.0	50	24	46

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Health Care Facilities and Access in Rural Counties in 2000

	Type of rural county			
	Bordering metro county		Not bordering metro county	
	Contains large city	Contains no large city	Contains large city	Contains no large city
Number of counties	0	1	5	15
Population	...	12,052	149,627	183,963
Short-term general hospitals	...	1	5	16
Hospital beds/100,000 persons	...	282	239	597
% pop. in persistent poverty counties	...	0	0	0
Per capita income (\$)	...	23,381	26,541	26,285
% families in poverty	...	9.2	7.3	9.0

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Health Care Providers per 100,000 Population in Rural Counties

	Type of rural county							
	Bordering metro county				Not bordering metro county			
	Contains large city		Contains no large city		Contains large city		Contains no large city	
	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000	1990	2000
Physicians	54	66	114	138	118	147
Generalist physicians	45	25	49	49	64	72
Medical specialists	0	8	1	7	2	5
Surgical specialists	9	25	33	41	26	34
General surgeons	9	17	10	9	7	8
OB-GYNs	0	0	8	11	6	8
Other surgeons	0	8	15	20	14	18
Other specialists	0	8	30	45	25	38
Dentists	31	16	44	41	42	45
PAs	0	8	5	16	8	26
Full-time RNs (hospital-based)	108	224	232	221	235	250
Part-time RNs (hospital-based)	90	58	96	99	101	120

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