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## Community and Economic Development in North Carolina and Beyond Blog: Health Professions Data — Caswell County

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The Sheps Center at UNC just released the 2008 data book on health professions in North Carolina. According to the Sheps data, Caswell County has 8 physicians, 6 of whom practice family medicine and 2 are internal medicine specialists. There are 3.4 physicians per 10,000 population (NC average is 21 per 10,000). There are 22 registered nurses per 10,000 population (NC average is 95 per 10,000). There is one dentist and five dental hygienists. I know there are several well regarded family medicine practices in Caswell, but I suspect that a majority of health and dental care provided to residents of Caswell County is provided in the Triad, Triangle or Danville. I wonder if there is local demand for more services in the County?

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