McDowell

MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan
AHEC Region: Mountain

2005 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians 29
Primary Care Physicians 21
  Family Practice 11
  General Practice 2
  Internal Medicine 2
  Obstetrics/Gynecology 3
  Pediatrics 3
Other Specialties 8
Physicians per 10,000 Population 6.7
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population 4.8
Federal Physicians** 0

Nurses

Registered Nurses 264
  Nurse Practitioners 11
  Certified Nurse Midwives 0
Licensed Practical Nurses 125

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors 6
Optometrists 2
Pharmacists 22
Physical Therapists 2
Physical Therapist Assistants 9
Physician Assistants 12
Podiatrists 0
Practicing Psychologists 1
Psychological Associates 5
Respiratory Therapists 11

DEMOGRAPHICS

Projected Population 2005

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<th>Ages 0-19</th>
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<td>40,894</td>
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<td>43,576</td>
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HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS

Vital Statistics 2004

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births . 490  Total Pregnancies . 546  Total Pregnancy Rate . 66.0
Resident Deaths . 440  Teen Pregnancies . 76  Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19) . 57.8
% Births <2500 gms . 10.2

Infant Mortality Rates 2004

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total . 8.2  White . 8.4  Nonwhite . 0.0

Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2004* . 5,053  General Hospital Beds 2005** . 65  Nursing Facility Beds 2005 . 250

* Numbers reported include those who are active within the profession and those with unknown activity status who were newly licensed in 2005; inactive are excluded.
** Includes NC Medical Board licensed federal physicians in the armed services, US Public Health Service, Indian Health Service, and the Department of Veterans Affairs.
† Counts are for discharges of county residents from acute-care, short-stay hospitals; numbers exclude normal newborns.
++ Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.