



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Mountain AHEC

■ 2012 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians[§]

Non-Federal Physicians	43
Primary Care Physicians	30
<i>Family Practice</i>	15
<i>General Practice</i>	2
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	5
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	3
<i>Pediatrics</i>	5
Other Specialties	13
Physicians per 10,000 Population**	12.7
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population**	8.8
Federal Physicians***	0
Dentists and Dental Hygienists	
Dentists	10
Dental Hygienists	25

Nurses

Registered Nurses	260
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	8
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	1
Licensed Practical Nurses	127
Other Health Professionals	
Chiropractors	6
Occupational Therapists	2
Occupational Therapy Assistants	5
Optometrists	2
Pharmacists	21
Physical Therapists	11
Physical Therapist Assistants	15
Physician Assistants	12
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	0
Psychological Associates	4
Respiratory Therapists	13

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2012

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	42,212	9,750	24,821	7,641
Nonwhite	1,335	441	746	148
Total	33,985	7,183	18,155	8,647
% of Pop.	100.0%	21.1%	53.4%	25.4%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2012	20,933
Employed 2012	18,600
Unemployed 2012	2,333
Unemployment Rate 2012 (%)	11.1
Per Capita Income 2012	\$27,808
Medicaid Eligibles 2012	11,830

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2012

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	454	Total Pregnancies	475	Total Pregnancy Rate	61.4
Resident Deaths	519	Teen Pregnancies	60	Teen Pregnancy Rate	47.2
% Births <2500 gms (2012)	10.0	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2012

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	4.4	White	5.0	Nonwhite	0.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2012 ⁺	4,753	General Hospital Beds 2012 ⁺⁺	65	Nursing Facility Beds 2012	250
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§ Please refer to page 4 of this book for an explanation of the change in physician numbers.

* Numbers reported include those active within the profession and those newly licensed in 2012 with unknown activity status; inactives are excluded

** Rates are based on 2012 population data.

*** Includes NC licensed federal physicians in the armed services, US Public Health Service, Indian Health Service, and the Department of Veteran 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.