



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Northwest AHEC

■ 2007 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	171
Primary Care Physicians	81
<i>Family Practice</i>	25
<i>General Practice</i>	2
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	36
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	8
<i>Pediatrics</i>	10
Other Specialties	90
Physicians per 10,000 Population	12.5
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	5.9
Federal Physicians**	66

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	50
Dental Hygienists	64

Nurses

Registered Nurses	1,062
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	24
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	306

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	12
Occupational Therapists	29
Occupational Therapy Assistants	23
Optometrists	18
Pharmacists	116
Physical Therapists	46
Physical Therapist Assistants	31
Physician Assistants	40
Podiatrists	4
Practicing Psychologists	21
Psychological Associates	9
Respiratory Therapists	41

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2007

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	112,342	29,204	67,391	15,747
Nonwhite	24,144	7,850	14,166	2,128
Total	136,486	37,054	81,557	17,875
% of Pop.	100.0%	27.1%	59.8%	13.1%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2007	71,907
Employed 2007	67,693
Unemployed 2007	4,214
Unemployment Rate 2007 (%)	5.9
Per Capita Income 2006	\$29,001
Medicaid Eligibles 2007	26,212

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2006

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	1,785	Total Pregnancies	2,185	Total Pregnancy Rate	80.7
Resident Deaths	1,342	Teen Pregnancies	337	Teen Pregnancy Rate	72.5
% Births <2500 gms	9.5	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2007

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	7.3	White	5.6	Nonwhite	13.6
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2006 ⁺	14,785	General Hospital Beds 2007 ⁺⁺	223	Nursing Facility Beds 2007	885
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* Numbers reported include those active within the profession and those newly licensed in 2007 with unknown activity status; inactives 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.