



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Northwest AHEC

■ 2009 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	169
Primary Care Physicians	81
<i>Family Practice</i>	26
<i>General Practice</i>	2
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	35
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	7
<i>Pediatrics</i>	11
Other Specialties	88
Physicians per 10,000 Population	12.0
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	5.8
Federal Physicians**	65

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	52
Dental Hygienists	66

Nurses

Registered Nurses	1,115
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	33
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	1
Licensed Practical Nurses	298

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	12
Occupational Therapists	30
Occupational Therapy Assistants	27
Optometrists	14
Pharmacists	120
Physical Therapists	54
Physical Therapist Assistants	36
Physician Assistants	47
Podiatrists	5
Practicing Psychologists	23
Psychological Associates	9
Respiratory Therapists	40

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2009

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	115,254	28,752	69,182	17,320
Nonwhite	25,264	7,951	14,858	2,455
Total	140,518	36,703	84,040	19,775
% of Pop.	100.0%	26.1%	59.8%	14.1%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2009	73,507
Employed 2009	64,522
Unemployed 2009	8,985
Unemployment Rate 2009 (%)	12.2
Per Capita Income 2008	\$30,620
Medicaid Eligibles 2009	27,658

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2008

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	1,834	Total Pregnancies	2,132	Total Pregnancy Rate	78.2
Resident Deaths	1,400	Teen Pregnancies	317	Teen Pregnancy Rate	65.5
% Births <2500 gms	8.5	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2008

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	6.0	White	5.5	Nonwhite	8.1
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2008 ⁺	14,638	General Hospital Beds 2009 ⁺⁺	223	Nursing Facility Beds 2009	885
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* Numbers reported include those active within the profession and those newly licensed in 2009 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.