MSA county designation: Metropolitan AHEC Region: Northwest

■ 2005 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians		Nurses	
Non-Federal Physicians	15	Registered Nurses	123
Primary Care Physicians	13	Nurse Practitioners	5
Family Practice	10	Certified Nurse Midwives	I
General Practice	0	Licensed Practical Nurses	81
Internal Medicine	2	Other Health Professionals	
Obstetrics/Gynecology	0	Chiropractors	1
Pediatrics	I	•	1
Other Specialties	2	Optometrists	4
Physicians per 10,000 Population	3.2	Pharmacists	17
• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •		Physical Therapists	7
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	2.8	Physical Therapist Assistants	3
•	0	Physician Assistants	3
Federal Physicians**	0	Podiatrists	0
Dentists and Dental Hygienists		Practicing Psychologists	0
Dentists	7	Psychological Associates	0
Dental Hygienists	11	Respiratory Therapists	4

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2005

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	43,831	11,266	27,086	5,479
Nonwhite	2,416	643	1,442	331
Total	46,247	11,909	28,528	5,810
% of Pop.	100.0%	25.8%	61.7%	12.6%

Employment and Income Data

Employment and meon	ie Daia
Labor Force 2005	24,280
Employed 2005	23,063
Unemployed 2005	1,217
Unemployment Rate 2005 (%)	5.0
Per Capita Income 2004	\$24,526
Medicaid Eligibles 2004 (unduplicated count)	7,589

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2004

(Rates are per 1,000 population)					
Resident Births	490	Total Pregnancies	559	Total Pregnancy Rate	59.7
Resident Deaths	393	Teen Pregnancies	74	Teen Pregnancy Rate	54.1
% Births <2500 gms	9.4	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	
Infant Mortality Rates 2004					
(Rates are per 1,000 population)					
Total	8.2	White	6.3	Nonwhite	58.8
Hospital/Facility Data					
General Hospital Discharges 2004 ⁺	5,048	General Hospital Beds 2005 ⁺⁺	53	Nursing Facility Beds 2005	322

^{*} 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.