



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Northwest AHEC

■ 2009 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	120
Primary Care Physicians	46
<i>Family Practice</i>	18
<i>General Practice</i>	0
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	12
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	8
<i>Pediatrics</i>	8
Other Specialties	74
Physicians per 10,000 Population	26.4
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	10.1
Federal Physicians**	2

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	26
Dental Hygienists	20

Nurses

Registered Nurses	389
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	22
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	1
Licensed Practical Nurses	59

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	9
Occupational Therapists	11
Occupational Therapy Assistants	5
Optometrists	5
Pharmacists	40
Physical Therapists	24
Physical Therapist Assistants	15
Physician Assistants	11
Podiatrists	2
Practicing Psychologists	28
Psychological Associates	17
Respiratory Therapists	22

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2009

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	43,505	10,119	27,462	5,924
Nonwhite	1,879	540	1,208	131
Total	45,384	10,659	28,670	6,055
% of Pop.	100.0%	23.5%	63.2%	13.3%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2009	24,412
Employed 2009	22,580
Unemployed 2009	1,832
Unemployment Rate 2009 (%)	7.5
Per Capita Income 2008	\$32,049
Medicaid Eligibles 2009	4,365

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2008

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	399	Total Pregnancies	479	Total Pregnancy Rate	42.7
Resident Deaths	289	Teen Pregnancies	44	Teen Pregnancy Rate	16.1
% Births <2500 gms	5.3	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2008

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	5.0	White	5.2	Nonwhite	0.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2008. ⁺	3,675	General Hospital Beds 2009. ⁺⁺	145	Nursing Facility Beds 2009.	124
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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.