MSA county designation: Metropolitan AHEC Region: Northwest

■ 2005 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians		Nurses	
Non-Federal Physicians	18	Registered Nurses	127
Primary Care Physicians	16	Nurse Practitioners	5
Family Practice	10	Certified Nurse Midwives	0
General Practice	1	Licensed Practical Nurses	38
Internal Medicine	4	Other Health Professionals	
Obstetrics/Gynecology Pediatrics	0 1	Chiropractors	4
Other Specialties	2	Optometrists	1
Physicians per 10,000 Population	4.8	Pharmacists	10
• • •	4.3	Physical Therapists	4
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	4.3	Physical Therapist Assistants	4
•	0	Physician Assistants	5
Federal Physicians**	0	Podiatrists	0
Dentists and Dental Hygienists		Practicing Psychologists	0
Dentists	6	Psychological Associates	1
Dental Hygienists	17	Respiratory Therapists	0

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2005

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	35,775	9,275	21,364	5,136
Nonwhite	1,528	456	900	172
Total	37,303	9,731	22,264	5,308
% of Pop.	100.0%	26.1%	59.7%	14.2%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2005	19,432
Employed 2005	18,537
Unemployed 2005	895
Unemployment Rate 2005 (%)	4.6
Per Capita Income 2004	\$25,013
Medicaid Eligibles 2004 (unduplicated count)	6,146

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2004

(Rates are per 1,000 population)					
Resident Births	470	Total Pregnancies	529	Total Pregnancy Rate	71.2
Resident Deaths	350	Teen Pregnancies	66	Teen Pregnancy Rate	57.7
% Births <2500 gms	8.7	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	
Infant Mortality Rates 2004					
(Rates are per 1,000 population)					
Total	2.1	White	2.2	Nonwhite	0.0
Hospital/Facility Data					
General Hospital Discharges 2004 ⁺	4,589	General Hospital Beds 2005 ++	22	Nursing Facility Beds 2005	223

^{*} 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.