



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Mountain AHEC

■ 2007 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	13
Primary Care Physicians	13
<i>Family Practice</i>	8
<i>General Practice</i>	0
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	2
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	0
<i>Pediatrics</i>	3
Other Specialties	0
Physicians per 10,000 Population	7.0
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	7.0
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	4
Dental Hygienists	7

Nurses

Registered Nurses	70
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	8
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	1
Licensed Practical Nurses	48

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	1
Occupational Therapists	2
Occupational Therapy Assistants	0
Optometrists	1
Pharmacists	5
Physical Therapists	5
Physical Therapist Assistants	2
Physician Assistants	1
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	1
Psychological Associates	1
Respiratory Therapists	0

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2007

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	18,342	4,119	10,694	3,529
Nonwhite	208	73	109	26
Total	18,550	4,192	10,803	3,555
% of Pop.	100.0%	22.6%	58.2%	19.2%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2007	8,271
Employed 2007	7,805
Unemployed 2007	466
Unemployment Rate 2007 (%)	5.6
Per Capita Income 2006	\$21,982
Medicaid Eligibles 2007	3,966

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2006

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	178	Total Pregnancies	202	Total Pregnancy Rate	64.9
Resident Deaths	216	Teen Pregnancies	19	Teen Pregnancy Rate	36.1
% Births <2500 gms	5.1	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2007

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	16.9	White	16.9	Nonwhite	0.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2006 ⁺	2,091	General Hospital Beds 2007 ⁺⁺	0	Nursing Facility Beds 2007	140
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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.