



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Northwest

■ 2004 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	170
Primary Care Physicians	71
<i>Family Practice</i>	36
<i>General Practice</i>	4
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	13
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	9
<i>Pediatrics</i>	9
Other Specialties	99
Physicians per 10,000 Population	18.9
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	7.9
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	32
Dental Hygienists	33

Nurses

Registered Nurses	917
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	16
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	3
Licensed Practical Nurses	156

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	10
Optometrists	4
Pharmacists	71
Physical Therapists	34
Physical Therapist Assistants	30
Physician Assistants	21
Podiatrists	1
Practicing Psychologists	33
Psychological Associates	41
Respiratory Therapists	21

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2004

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	78,827	19,358	47,999	11,470
Nonwhite	11,116	4,588	5,756	772
Total	89,943	23,946	53,755	12,242
% of Pop.	100.0%	26.6%	59.8%	13.6%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2004	43,204
Employed 2004	40,327
Unemployed 2004	2,877
Unemployment Rate 2004 (%)	6.7
Per Capita Income 2003	\$23,401
Medicaid Eligibles 2003 (unduplicated count)	16,454

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2003

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	964	Total Pregnancies	1,114	Total Pregnancy Rate	63.8
Resident Deaths	880	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	167	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	59.0
% Births <2500 gms	8.7				

Infant Mortality Rates 2003

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	8.3	White	7.3	Nonwhite	14.6
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2003 [†]	11,050	General Hospital Beds 2004 ^{††}	354	Nursing Facility Beds 2004	556
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*Numbers reported include those who are active within the profession and those with unknown activity status who were newly licensed in 2004; 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.