MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan AHEC Region: Eastern

■ 2004 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians		Nurses	
Non-Federal Physicians	91	Registered Nurses	434
Primary Care Physicians	44	Nurse Practitioners	19
Family Practice	18	Certified Nurse Midwives	0
General Practice	3	Licensed Practical Nurses	183
Internal Medicine	10	Other Health Professionals	
Obstetrics/Gynecology	9		10
Pediatrics	4	Chiropractors	10
Other Specialties	47	Optometrists	9
Physicians per 10,000 Population	14.9	Pharmacists	53
• • • •		Physical Therapists	20
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	7.2	Physical Therapist Assistants	10
	1	Physician Assistants	17
Federal Physicians**	1	Podiatrists	3
Dentists and Dental Hygienists		Practicing Psychologists	6
Dentists	38	Psychological Associates	0
Dental Hygienists	40	Respiratory Therapists	30

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2004

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	55,951	11,307	34,108	10,536
Nonwhite	5,171	1,501	3,131	539
Total	61,122	12,808	37,239	11,075
% of Pop.	100.0%	21.0%	60.9%	18.1%

Employment and Income Data

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Labor Force 2004	31,188
Employed 2004	29,718
Unemployed 2004	1,470
Unemployment Rate 2004 (%)	4.7
Per Capita Income 2003	\$28,239
Medicaid Eligibles 2003 (unduplicated count)	9,398

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2003

(Rates are per 1,000 population)					
Resident Births	590	Total Pregnancies	733	Total Pregnancy Rate	67.6
Resident Deaths	757	Teen Pregnancies		Teen Pregnancy Rate	63.8
% Births <2500 gms	7.5	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	
Infant Mortality Rates 2003					
(Rates are per 1,000 population)					
Total	8.5	White	7.4	Nonwhite	19.2
Hospital/Facility Data					
General Hospital Discharges 2003 ⁺	8.402	General Hospital Beds 2004 ⁺⁺	117	Nursing Facility Beds 2004	424

^{*}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.