



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Northwest

## ■ 2004 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS\*■

### Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	119
Primary Care Physicians	69
<i>Family Practice</i>	21
<i>General Practice</i>	4
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	18
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	10
<i>Pediatrics</i>	16
Other Specialties	50
Physicians per 10,000 Population	7.7
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	4.5
Federal Physicians**	1

### Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	29
Dental Hygienists	66

### Nurses

Registered Nurses	684
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	17
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	1
Licensed Practical Nurses	156

### Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	12
Optometrists	15
Pharmacists	87
Physical Therapists	29
Physical Therapist Assistants	24
Physician Assistants	16
Podiatrists	2
Practicing Psychologists	3
Psychological Associates	5
Respiratory Therapists	27

## ■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

### Projected Population 2004

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
<b>White</b>	137,019	35,050	83,482	18,487
<b>Nonwhite</b>	16,878	5,483	9,927	1,468
<b>Total</b>	<b>153,897</b>	<b>40,533</b>	<b>93,409</b>	<b>19,955</b>
<b>% of Pop.</b>	100.0%	26.3%	60.7%	13.0%

### Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2004	79,585
Employed 2004	74,447
Unemployed 2004	5,138
Unemployment Rate 2004 (%)	6.5
Per Capita Income 2003	\$26,036
Medicaid Eligibles 2003 (unduplicated count)	25,431

## ■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

### Vital Statistics 2003

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	1,940	Total Pregnancies	2,257	Total Pregnancy Rate	71.7
Resident Deaths	1,456	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	339	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	70.5
% Births <2500 gms	9.7				

### Infant Mortality Rates 2003

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	8.8	White	8.2	Nonwhite	13.3
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### Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2003 <sup>†</sup>	15,165	General Hospital Beds 2004 <sup>††</sup>	228	Nursing Facility Beds 2004	744
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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.

<sup>†</sup>Counts are for discharges of county residents from acute-care, short-stay hospitals; numbers exclude normal newborns.

<sup>††</sup>Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.