MSA county designation: Metropolitan

2006 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*

Physicians	
Non-Federal Physicians	125
Primary Care Physicians	75
Family Practice	22
General Practice	5
Internal Medicine	20
Obstetrics/Gynecology	10
Pediatrics	18
Other Specialties	50
Physicians per 10,000 Population	8.0
Primary Care Physicians	4.8
per 10,000 Population	
Federal Physicians**	0
Dentists and Dental Hygienists	
Dentists	27
Dental Hygienists	77

DEMOGRAPHICS

Projected Population 2006

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	138,184	35,399	83,864	18,921
Nonwhite	17,159	5,561	10,071	1,527
Total	155,343	40,960	93,935	20,448
% of Pop.	100.0%	26.4%	60.5%	13.2%

Nurses	
Registered Nurses	715
Nurse Practitioners	21
Certified Nurse Midwives	1
Licensed Practical Nurses	167
Other Health Professionals	
Chiropractors	12
Occupational Therapists	18
Occupational Therapy Assistants	15
Optometrists	12
Pharmacists	71
Physical Therapists	34
Physical Therapist Assistants	30
Physician Assistants	19
Podiatrists	2
Practicing Psychologists	3
Psychological Associates	5
Respiratory Therapists	25

AHEC Region: Northwest AHEC

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2006	80,049
Employed 2006	75,309
Unemployed 2006	4,740
Unemployment Rate 2006 (%)	5.9
Per Capita Income 2005	\$28,983
Medicaid Eligibles 2006	28,212

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2005

(Rates are per 1,000 population)					
Resident Births	1,921	Total Pregnancies	2,226	Total Pregnancy Rate	70.9
Resident Deaths	1,500	Teen Pregnancies	295	Teen Pregnancy Rate	62.0
% Births <2500 gms	10.0	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	
Infant Mortality Rates 2006					
(Rates are per 1,000 population)					
Total	7.3	White	7.0	Nonwhite	9.9
Hospital/Facility Data					
General Hospital Discharges 2005 ⁺	16,111	General Hospital Beds 2006	228	Nursing Facility Beds 2006	794

* Numbers reported include those active within the profession and those newly licensed in 2006 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.