



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Northwest AHEC

■ 2007 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	125
Primary Care Physicians	79
<i>Family Practice</i>	24
<i>General Practice</i>	2
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	25
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	10
<i>Pediatrics</i>	18
Other Specialties	46
Physicians per 10,000 Population	8.0
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	5.1
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	28
Dental Hygienists	76

Nurses

Registered Nurses	738
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	23
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	1
Licensed Practical Nurses	180

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	12
Occupational Therapists	14
Occupational Therapy Assistants	21
Optometrists	11
Pharmacists	77
Physical Therapists	37
Physical Therapist Assistants	28
Physician Assistants	21
Podiatrists	2
Practicing Psychologists	4
Psychological Associates	4
Respiratory Therapists	25

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2007

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	139,062	35,557	84,200	19,305
Nonwhite	17,338	5,596	10,189	1,553
Total	156,400	41,153	94,389	20,858
% of Pop.	100.0%	26.3%	60.4%	13.3%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2007	80,576
Employed 2007	76,182
Unemployed 2007	4,394
Unemployment Rate 2007 (%)	5.5
Per Capita Income 2006	\$28,765
Medicaid Eligibles 2007	29,591

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2006

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	1,921	Total Pregnancies	2,197	Total Pregnancy Rate	70.2
Resident Deaths	1,511	Teen Pregnancies	304	Teen Pregnancy Rate	61.4
% Births <2500 gms	9.8	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2007

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	10.4	White	8.8	Nonwhite	23.7
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2006 ⁺	15,667	General Hospital Beds 2007 ⁺⁺	217	Nursing Facility Beds 2007	794
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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.