MSA county designation: Metropolitan AHEC Region: Northwest

■ 2004 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians		Nurses	
Non-Federal Physicians	21	Registered Nurses	119
Primary Care Physicians	14	Nurse Practitioners Certified Nurse Midwives	5 0
Family Practice General Practice	0	Licensed Practical Nurses	53
Internal Medicine	4	Other Health Professionals	
Obstetrics/Gynecology Pediatrics	2	Chiropractors	2
Other Specialties	7	Optometrists	3
Physicians per 10,000 Population	5.5	Pharmacists	25
Primary Care Physicians	3.7	Physical Therapists	4
per 10,000 Population	3.7	Physical Therapist Assistants	3
	0	Physician Assistants	6
Federal Physicians**	U	Podiatrists	0
Dentists and Dental Hygienists		Practicing Psychologists	0
Dentists	10	Psychological Associates	0
Dental Hygienists	23	Respiratory Therapists	4

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2004

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	35,085	9,230	20,945	4,910
Nonwhite	2,786	787	1,642	357
Total	37,871	10,017	22,587	5,267
% of Pop.	100.0%	26.5%	59.6%	13.9%

Employment and Income Data

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Labor Force 2004	19,283
Employed 2004	18,338
Unemployed 2004	945
Unemployment Rate 2004 (%)	4.9
Per Capita Income 2003	\$29,174
Medicaid Eligibles 2003 (unduplicated count)	4,847

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2003

(Rates are per 1,000 population)					,
Resident Births	411	Total Pregnancies	461	Total Pregnancy Rate	63.3
Resident Deaths	330		53	Teen Pregnancy Rate	48.9
% Births <2500 gms	9.5	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	
Infant Mortality Rates 2003 (Rates are per 1,000 population)					
Total	4.9	White	5.1	Nonwhite	0.0
Hospital/Facility Data					
General Hospital Discharges 2003 ⁺	4,152	General Hospital Beds 2004 ++	81	Nursing Facility Beds 2004	216

^{*}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.