MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan AHEC Region: Mountain

■ 2005 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

	Nurses	
4	Registered Nurses	31
4	Nurse Practitioners Certified Nurse Midwives	2 0
0	Licensed Practical Nurses	16
1	Other Health Professionals	
$\frac{0}{0}$	Chiropractors	1
0	Optometrists	0
4.9	Pharmacists	4
4.9	Physical Therapists	3
,	Physical Therapist Assistants	3
0	Physician Assistants	3
U	Podiatrists	0
	Practicing Psychologists	0
1	Psychological Associates	0
3	Respiratory Therapists	0
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■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2005

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	7,449	1,629	4,316	1,504
Nonwhite	656	257	364	35
Total	8,105	1,886	4,680	1,539
% of Pop.	100.0%	23.3%	57.7%	19.0%

Employment and Income Data

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Labor Force 2005	4,003
Employed 2005	3,720
Unemployed 2005	283
Unemployment Rate 2005 (%)	7.1
Per Capita Income 2004	\$22,230
Medicaid Eligibles 2004 (unduplicated count)	2,176

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2004

(Rates are per 1,000 population)					
Resident Births	91	Total Pregnancies	98	Total Pregnancy Rate	70.5
Resident Deaths	99	Teen Pregnancies	19	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	90.0
% Births <2500 gms	8.8	(ages 15-19)			
Infant Mortality Rates 2004					
(Rates are per 1,000 population)					_
Total	11.0	White	0.0	Nonwhite	90.9
Hospital/Facility Data					
General Hospital Discharges 2004 ⁺	957	General Hospital Beds 2005 ++	0	Nursing Facility Beds 2005	80

^{*} Numbers reported include those who are active within the profession and those with unknown activity status who were newly licensed in 2005; 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.