



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Area L

■ 2004 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	77
Primary Care Physicians	41
<i>Family Practice</i>	13
<i>General Practice</i>	1
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	17
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	3
<i>Pediatrics</i>	7
Other Specialties	36
Physicians per 10,000 Population	13.5
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	7.2
Federal Physicians**	2

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	11
Dental Hygienists	14

Nurses

Registered Nurses	419
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	9
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	118

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	4
Optometrists	5
Pharmacists	36
Physical Therapists	8
Physical Therapist Assistants	14
Physician Assistants	10
Podiatrists	1
Practicing Psychologists	4
Psychological Associates	2
Respiratory Therapists	23

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2004

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	23,844	5,271	13,842	4,731
Nonwhite	33,103	10,118	19,179	3,806
Total	56,947	15,389	33,021	8,537
% of Pop.	100.0%	27.0%	58.0%	15.0%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2004	22,834
Employed 2004	20,974
Unemployed 2004	1,860
Unemployment Rate 2004 (%)	8.1
Per Capita Income 2003	\$20,313
Medicaid Eligibles 2003 (unduplicated count)	19,111

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2003

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	739	Total Pregnancies	916	Total Pregnancy Rate	81.1
Resident Deaths	643	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	176	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	91.9
% Births <2500 gms	15.7				

Infant Mortality Rates 2003

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	14.9	White	12.3	Nonwhite	16.2
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2003 [†]	9,749	General Hospital Beds 2004 ^{††}	206	Nursing Facility Beds 2004	345
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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.

[†]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.