



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Area L AHEC

■ 2006 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	72
Primary Care Physicians	39
<i>Family Practice</i>	14
<i>General Practice</i>	1
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	15
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	3
<i>Pediatrics</i>	6
Other Specialties	33
Physicians per 10,000 Population	12.9
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	7.0
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	14
Dental Hygienists	23

Nurses

Registered Nurses	395
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	8
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	122

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	4
Occupational Therapists	4
Occupational Therapy Assistants	2
Optometrists	5
Pharmacists	36
Physical Therapists	9
Physical Therapist Assistants	15
Physician Assistants	10
Podiatrists	1
Practicing Psychologists	5
Psychological Associates	5
Respiratory Therapists	26

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2006

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	22,899	5,060	13,275	4,564
Nonwhite	32,702	9,886	18,925	3,891
Total	55,601	14,946	32,200	8,455
% of Pop.	100.0%	26.9%	57.9%	15.2%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2006	24,100
Employed 2006	22,514
Unemployed 2006	1,586
Unemployment Rate 2006 (%)	6.6
Per Capita Income 2005	\$23,314
Medicaid Eligibles 2006	18,975

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2005

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	692	Total Pregnancies	883	Total Pregnancy Rate	81.0
Resident Deaths	659	Teen Pregnancies	169	Teen Pregnancy Rate	91.4
% Births <2500 gms	11.6	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2006

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	13.0	White	8.5	Nonwhite	15.4
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2005 ⁺	9,920	General Hospital Beds 2006 ⁺⁺	206	Nursing Facility Beds 2006	345
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* 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.