



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Northwest

■ 2004 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	22
Primary Care Physicians	16
<i>Family Practice</i>	12
<i>General Practice</i>	1
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	2
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	1
<i>Pediatrics</i>	0
Other Specialties	6
Physicians per 10,000 Population	8.7
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	6.3
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	5
Dental Hygienists	5

Nurses

Registered Nurses	121
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	5
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	48

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	5
Optometrists	3
Pharmacists	19
Physical Therapists	5
Physical Therapist Assistants	8
Physician Assistants	5
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	3
Psychological Associates	3
Respiratory Therapists	7

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2004

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	24,938	5,248	15,055	4,635
Nonwhite	382	118	230	34
Total	25,320	5,366	15,285	4,669
% of Pop.	100.0%	21.2%	60.4%	18.4%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2004	12,505
Employed 2004	11,821
Unemployed 2004	684
Unemployment Rate 2004 (%)	5.5
Per Capita Income 2003	\$23,702
Medicaid Eligibles 2003 <i>(unduplicated count)</i>	5,100

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2003

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	273	Total Pregnancies	299	Total Pregnancy Rate	67.6
Resident Deaths	308	Teen Pregnancies	40	Teen Pregnancy Rate	63.4
% Births <2500 gms	9.9	<i>(ages 15-19)</i>		<i>(ages 15-19)</i>	

Infant Mortality Rates 2003

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	11.0	White	11.1	Nonwhite	0.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2003 [†]	3,330	General Hospital Beds 2004 ^{††}	76	Nursing Facility Beds 2004	210
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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.