



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Northwest AHEC

■ 2007 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	290
Primary Care Physicians	135
<i>Family Practice</i>	42
<i>General Practice</i>	1
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	43
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	19
<i>Pediatrics</i>	30
Other Specialties	155
Physicians per 10,000 Population	19.3
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	9.0
Federal Physicians**	1

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	65
Dental Hygienists	91

Nurses

Registered Nurses	1,611
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	39
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	3
Licensed Practical Nurses	219

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	32
Occupational Therapists	36
Occupational Therapy Assistants	17
Optometrists	16
Pharmacists	146
Physical Therapists	74
Physical Therapist Assistants	41
Physician Assistants	48
Podiatrists	7
Practicing Psychologists	11
Psychological Associates	10
Respiratory Therapists	53

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2007

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	127,280	34,146	76,985	16,149
Nonwhite	23,141	8,050	13,105	1,986
Total	150,421	42,196	90,090	18,135
% of Pop.	100.0%	28.1%	59.9%	12.1%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2007	81,545
Employed 2007	77,925
Unemployed 2007	3,620
Unemployment Rate 2007 (%)	4.4
Per Capita Income 2006	\$30,562
Medicaid Eligibles 2007	23,371

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2006

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	1,995	Total Pregnancies	2,357	Total Pregnancy Rate	79.5
Resident Deaths	1,284	Teen Pregnancies	270	Teen Pregnancy Rate	56.4
% Births <2500 gms	8.8	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2007

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	8.5	White	4.9	Nonwhite	24.9
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2006 ⁺	18,593	General Hospital Beds 2007 ⁺⁺	424	Nursing Facility Beds 2007	653
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* Numbers reported include those active within the profession and those newly licensed in 2007 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.