



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Mountain AHEC

## ■ 2007 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS\*■

### Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	83
Primary Care Physicians	41
Family Practice	14
General Practice	3
Internal Medicine	13
Obstetrics/Gynecology	4
Pediatrics	7
Other Specialties	42
Physicians per 10,000 Population	22.5
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	11.1
Federal Physicians**	1

### Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	17
Dental Hygienists	18

### Nurses

Registered Nurses	331
Nurse Practitioners	12
Certified Nurse Midwives	4
Licensed Practical Nurses	69

### Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	4
Occupational Therapists	8
Occupational Therapy Assistants	4
Optometrists	2
Pharmacists	23
Physical Therapists	27
Physical Therapist Assistants	15
Physician Assistants	10
Podiatrists	1
Practicing Psychologists	20
Psychological Associates	9
Respiratory Therapists	22

## ■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

### Projected Population 2007

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	31,761	7,241	19,487	5,033
Nonwhite	5,054	1,903	2,794	357
Total	36,815	9,144	22,281	5,390
% of Pop.	100.0%	24.8%	60.5%	14.6%

### Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2007	22,339
Employed 2007	21,546
Unemployed 2007	793
Unemployment Rate 2007 (%)	3.5
Per Capita Income 2006	\$26,074
Medicaid Eligibles 2007	6,149

## ■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

### Vital Statistics 2006

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	411	Total Pregnancies	490	Total Pregnancy Rate	62.7
Resident Deaths	327	Teen Pregnancies	60	Teen Pregnancy Rate	35.1
% Births <2500 gms	7.1	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

### Infant Mortality Rates 2007

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	7.3	White	6.1	Nonwhite	11.9
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### Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2006 <sup>+</sup>	3,769	General Hospital Beds 2007 <sup>++</sup>	86	Nursing Facility Beds 2007	208
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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.