



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Eastern

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	91
Primary Care Physicians	44
<i>Family Practice</i>	17
<i>General Practice</i>	6
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	9
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	8
<i>Pediatrics</i>	4
Other Specialties	47
Physicians per 10,000 Population	15.0
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	7.2
Federal Physicians**	2

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	34
Dental Hygienists	36

Nurses

Registered Nurses	438
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	20
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	179

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	12
Optometrists	9
Pharmacists	50
Physical Therapists	26
Physical Therapist Assistants	7
Physician Assistants	15
Podiatrists	2
Practicing Psychologists	8
Psychological Associates	1

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	55,515	11,550	33,643	10,322
Nonwhite	5,197	1,545	3,102	550
Total	60,712	13,095	36,745	10,872
% of Pop.	100.0%	21.6%	60.5%	17.9%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	29,560
Employed 2003	28,059
Unemployed 2003	1,501
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	5.1
Per Capita Income 2002	\$27,713
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	9,091

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	577	Total Pregnancies	703	Total Pregnancy Rate	58.8
Resident Deaths	671	Teen Pregnancies	90	Teen Pregnancy Rate	48.8
% Births <2500 gms	7.5	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	5.2	White	5.8	Nonwhite	0.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	7,894	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	117	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	424
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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 2003; 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.