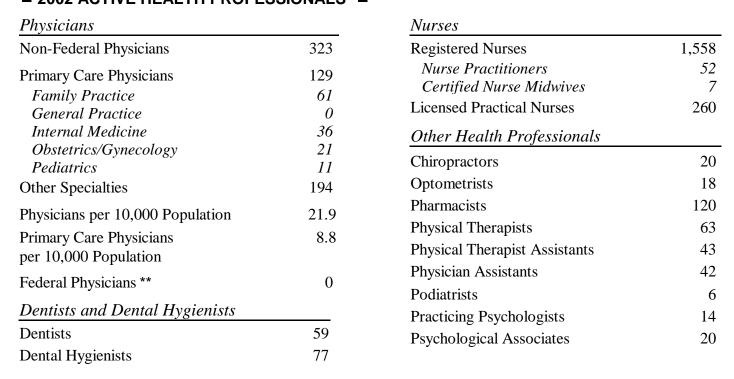
# Catawba

**AHEC Region: Northwest** 





### ■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2002

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-6	Ages 65+	
White	128,642	32,501	79,240	16,901	
Nonwhite	18,786	7,400	10,158	1,228	
Total	147,428	39,901	89,398	18,129	
% of Pop.	100.0%	27.1%	60.6%	12.3%	

## Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2002	78,514
Employed 2002	71,149
Unemployed 2002	7,365
Unemployment Rate 2002 (%)	9.4
Per Capita Income 2001	\$27,381
Medicaid Eligibles 2001 (unduplicated count)	21,442

### ■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

### Vital Statistics 2001

(Rates are per 1,000 population)					
Resident Births	2,051	Total Pregnancies	2,338	Total Pregnancy Rate	76.8
Resident Deaths	1,340		307	7 - 70	68.4
% Births <2500 gms	8.8	(ages 15-19)			
Infant Mortality Rates 2001					
(Rates are per 1,000 population)					
Total	7.8	White	6.4	Nonwhite	15.7
Hospital/Facility Data					
General Hospital Discharges 2001 <sup>+</sup>	15,772	General Hospital Beds 2002 ++	409	Nursing Facility Beds 2002	759

<sup>\*</sup>Numbers reported include those who are active within the profession and those with unknown activity status who were newly licensed in 2002; inactive are excluded.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Includes NC Medical Board licensed federal physicians in the armed services, US Public Health Service, Indian Health Service, and the Department of Veterans Affairs.

<sup>+</sup>Counts are for discharges of county residents from acute-care, short-stay hospitals; numbers exclude normal newborns.

<sup>++</sup>Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.