MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan AHEC Region: Eastern

■ 2002 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

	Nurses	
37	Registered Nurses	202
20	Nurse Practitioners	11
10	-	3
1	Licensed Practical Nurses	38
3	Other Health Professionals	
5 1	Chiropractors	4
17	Optometrists	4
11.6	Pharmacists	24
	Physical Therapists	11
0.3	Physical Therapist Assistants	1
0	Physician Assistants	6
U	Podiatrists	2
	Practicing Psychologists	0
16		2
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	20 10 1 3 5 1 17 11.6 6.3	Registered Nurses Nurse Practitioners Certified Nurse Midwives Licensed Practical Nurses Other Health Professionals Chiropractors Optometrists Pharmacists Physical Therapist Assistants Physician Assistants Practicing Psychologists Psychological Associates

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2002

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-6	Ages 65+
White	30,612	6,954	19,296	4,362
Nonwhite	1,200	386	733	81
Total	31,812	7,340	20,029	4,443
% of Pop.	100.0%	23.1%	63.0%	14.0%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2002	21,220
Employed 2002	20,025
Unemployed 2002	1,195
Unemployment Rate 2002 (%)	5.6
Per Capita Income 2001	\$26,772
Medicaid Eligibles 2001 (unduplicated count)	3,130

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2001

(Rates are per 1,000 population)					
Resident Births	354	Total Pregnancies	478	Total Pregnancy Rate	78.1
Resident Deaths	234	Teen Pregnancies	48		52.1
% Births <2500 gms	7.9	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	
Infant Mortality Rates 2001					
(Rates are per 1,000 population)					
Total	16.9	White	17.7	Nonwhite	0.0
Hospital/Facility Data					
General Hospital Discharges 2001 ⁺	1,479	General Hospital Beds 2002 ⁺⁺	19	Nursing Facility Beds 2002	126

^{*}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.

^{**}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.