MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ----

Physicians 2000	
Non-Federal Physicians	35
Primary Care Physicians	25
Family Practice	7
General Practice	1
Internal Medicine	13
Obstetrics/Gynecology	3
Pediatrics	1
Other Specialties	10
Physicians per 10,000 Population	7.1
Primary Care Physicians	5.1
per 10,000 Population	
Federal Physicians**	1
Dentists and Dental Hygienists 1999 [‡]	
Dentists	9
Dental Hygienists	15

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Population Estimates 2000

	Total	Ages 0-18	Ages 19-64	Ages 65+
White	28,785	6,894	17,469	4,422
Nonwhite	20,278	6,548	11,836	1,894
Total	49,063	13,442	29,305	6,316
% of Pop.	100.0%	27.4%	59.7%	12.9%

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 1999

(Rates are per 1,000 population)					
Resident Births	758	Total Pregnancies	884	Total Pregnancy Rate	99.4
Resident Deaths	549	Teen Pregnancies	154	Teen Pregnancy Rate	106.4
% Births <2500 gms.	8.8	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	
Infant Mortality Rates 1999					
(Rates are per 1,000 population)					
Total	5.3	White	1.8	Nonwhite	14.8
Hospital/Facility Data					
General Hospital Discharges 2000 ⁺	7,167	General Hospital Beds 2000 ⁺⁺	61	Nursing Facility Beds 2000	252

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*Numbers reported include those who are active within the profession and those with unknown activity status; 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.

[‡] 2000 dentist and hygienist data will be released in a separate supplement that will follow this report. See http://www.shepscenter.unc.edu/hp.

+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.

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Nurses 2000	
Registered Nurses	233
Nurse Practitioners	3
Certified Nurse Midwives	1
Licensed Practical Nurses	88
Other Health Professionals 2000	
Chiropractors	0
Optometrists	6
Pharmacists	26
Physical Therapists	3
Physical Therapist Assistant	6
Physician Assistants	4
Podiatrists	1
Practicing Psychologists	0
Psychological Associates	3

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2000	21,371
Employed 2000	20,303
Unemployed 2000	1,068
Unemployment Rate 2000 (%)	5.0
Per Capita Income 1999	\$19,133
Medicaid Eligible 2000 (unduplicated count)	10,787

