



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Mountain

■ 2003 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	3
Primary Care Physicians	3
<i>Family Practice</i>	2
<i>General Practice</i>	0
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	1
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	0
<i>Pediatrics</i>	0
Other Specialties	0
Physicians per 10,000 Population	3.7
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	3.7
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	2
Dental Hygienists	4

Nurses

Registered Nurses	32
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	1
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	13

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	0
Optometrists	1
Pharmacists	4
Physical Therapists	1
Physical Therapist Assistants	2
Physician Assistants	2
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	0
Psychological Associates	0

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2003

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	7,507	1,671	4,355	1,481
Nonwhite	674	260	373	41
Total	8,181	1,931	4,728	1,522
% of Pop.	100.0%	23.6%	57.8%	18.6%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2003	4,392
Employed 2003	4,044
Unemployed 2003	348
Unemployment Rate 2003 (%)	7.9
Per Capita Income 2002	\$20,592
Medicaid Eligibles 2002 (unduplicated count)	2,247

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	99	Total Pregnancies	108	Total Pregnancy Rate	67.4
Resident Deaths	98	Teen Pregnancies	15	Teen Pregnancy Rate	66.7
% Births <2500 gms	7.1	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2002

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	0.0	White	0.0	Nonwhite	0.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2002 ⁺	749	General Hospital Beds 2003 ⁺⁺	0	Nursing Facility Beds 2003	80
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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.