MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

### ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS\* . . •

Physicians 2000	
Non-Federal Physicians	75
Primary Care Physicians	38
Family Practice	14
General Practice	3
Internal Medicine	10
Obstetrics/Gynecology	4
Pediatrics	7
Other Specialties	37
Physicians per 10,000 Population	22.6
Primary Care Physicians	11.5
per 10,000 Population	
Federal Physicians**	1
Dentists and Dental Hygienists 1999 <sup>‡</sup>	
Dentists	13
Dental Hygienists	12

# ■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

## Population Estimates 2000

Total	Ages 0-18	Ages 19-64	Ages 65+
28,378	5,522	18,609	4,247
4,743	1,564	2,866	313
33,121	7,086	21,475	4,560
100.0%	21.4%	64.8%	13.8%
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# ■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

### Vital Statistics 1999

Nurses 2000	
Registered Nurses	289
Nurse Practitioners	13
Certified Nurse Midwives	2
Licensed Practical Nurses	73
Other Health Professionals 2000	
Chiropractors	3
Optometrists	3
Pharmacists	18
Physical Therapists	16
Physical Therapist Assistant	12
Physician Assistants	7
Podiatrists	1
Practicing Psychologists	14
Psychological Associates	13

**AHEC Region: Mountain** 

## **Employment and Income Data**

Labor Force 2000	16,153
Employed 2000	15,586
Unemployed 2000	567
Unemployment Rate 2000 (%)	3.5
Per Capita Income 1999	\$22,097
Medicaid Eligible 2000 (unduplicated count)	5,161

0.0

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#### (Rates are per 1,000 population) Total Pregnancies\_\_\_\_\_ 423 Total Pregnancy Rate 64.1 Resident Births 353 Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19) Teen Pregnancy Rate\_\_\_\_\_ 39.0 Resident Deaths 315 58 (ages 15-19) % Births <2500 gms 5.9 Infant Mortality Rates 1999 (*Rates are per 1,000 population*) Total 11.3 White 13.4 Nonwhite Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2000<sup>+</sup> 2.869

General Hospital Beds 2000<sup>++</sup>

\*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.

<sup>‡</sup> 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.

Nursing Facility Beds 2000

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