



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Northwest

■ 2004 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	20
Primary Care Physicians	11
<i>Family Practice</i>	7
<i>General Practice</i>	0
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	2
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	2
<i>Pediatrics</i>	0
Other Specialties	9
Physicians per 10,000 Population	11.0
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	6.0
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	6
Dental Hygienists	4

Nurses

Registered Nurses	133
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	5
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	1
Licensed Practical Nurses	50

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	1
Optometrists	1
Pharmacists	17
Physical Therapists	7
Physical Therapist Assistants	5
Physician Assistants	0
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	2
Psychological Associates	1
Respiratory Therapists	6

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2004

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	17,290	3,790	10,625	2,875
Nonwhite	931	92	815	24
Total	18,221	3,882	11,440	2,899
% of Pop.	100.0%	21.3%	62.8%	15.9%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2004	8,158
Employed 2004	7,757
Unemployed 2004	401
Unemployment Rate 2004 (%)	4.9
Per Capita Income 2003	\$23,431
Medicaid Eligibles 2003 <i>(unduplicated count)</i>	3,195

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2003

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	186	Total Pregnancies	209	Total Pregnancy Rate	66.5
Resident Deaths	208	Teen Pregnancies	20	Teen Pregnancy Rate	39.3
% Births <2500 gms	8.1	<i>(ages 15-19)</i>		<i>(ages 15-19)</i>	

Infant Mortality Rates 2003

(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 2003 [†]	2,325	General Hospital Beds 2004 ^{††}	40	Nursing Facility Beds 2004	128
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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 2004; 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.