



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Northwest AHEC

■ 2006 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	22
Primary Care Physicians	12
<i>Family Practice</i>	8
<i>General Practice</i>	1
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	2
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	1
<i>Pediatrics</i>	0
Other Specialties	10
Physicians per 10,000 Population	12.1
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	6.6
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	6
Dental Hygienists	5

Nurses

Registered Nurses	132
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	6
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	1
Licensed Practical Nurses	49

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	1
Occupational Therapists	2
Occupational Therapy Assistants	1
Optometrists	1
Pharmacists	17
Physical Therapists	8
Physical Therapist Assistants	5
Physician Assistants	1
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	2
Psychological Associates	1
Respiratory Therapists	6

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2006

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	17,191	3,667	10,543	2,981
Nonwhite	983	82	878	23
Total	18,174	3,749	11,421	3,004
% of Pop.	100.0%	20.6%	62.8%	16.5%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2006	8,005
Employed 2006	7,603
Unemployed 2006	402
Unemployment Rate 2006 (%)	5.0
Per Capita Income 2005	\$25,115
Medicaid Eligibles 2006	3,324

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2005

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	165	Total Pregnancies	183	Total Pregnancy Rate	61.1
Resident Deaths	211	Teen Pregnancies	22	Teen Pregnancy Rate	47.5
% Births <2500 gms	5.5	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2006

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	18.2	White	18.3	Nonwhite	0.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2005 ⁺	2,381	General Hospital Beds 2006 ⁺⁺	40	Nursing Facility Beds 2006	128
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* Numbers reported include those active within the profession and those newly licensed in 2006 with unknown activity status; inactives 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.