



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Mountain AHEC

■ 2010 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	37
Primary Care Physicians	28
<i>Family Practice</i>	13
<i>General Practice</i>	2
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	4
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	5
<i>Pediatrics</i>	4
Other Specialties	9
Physicians per 10,000 Population**	8.2
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population**	6.2
Federal Physicians***	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	9
Dental Hygienists	27

Nurses

Registered Nurses	251
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	12
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	126

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	5
Occupational Therapists	3
Occupational Therapy Assistants	4
Optometrists	2
Pharmacists	24
Physical Therapists	8
Physical Therapist Assistants	11
Physician Assistants	8
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	0
Psychological Associates	4
Respiratory Therapists	12

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2009

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	41,922	10,245	24,818	6,859
Nonwhite	2,827	729	1,764	334
Total	44,749	10,974	26,582	7,193
% of Pop.	100.0%	24.5%	59.4%	16.1%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2010	19,942
Employed 2010	17,303
Unemployed 2010	2,639
Unemployment Rate 2010 (%)	13.2
Per Capita Income 2008	\$25,410
Medicaid Eligibles 2009	9,699

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2009

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	546	Total Pregnancies	519	Total Pregnancy Rate	62.1
Resident Deaths	457	Teen Pregnancies	71	Teen Pregnancy Rate	49.2
% Births <2500 gms	5.9	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2009

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	6.3	White	4.5	Nonwhite	30.3
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2009 ⁺	5,104	General Hospital Beds 2010 ⁺⁺	65	Nursing Facility Beds 2010	250
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* Numbers reported include those active within the profession and those newly licensed in 2009 with unknown activity status; inactives are excluded.

** Rates are based on 2010 population data.

*** Includes NC 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.