



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Mountain AHEC

■ 2012 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians[§]

Non-Federal Physicians	24
Primary Care Physicians	14
<i>Family Practice</i>	10
<i>General Practice</i>	0
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	3
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	0
<i>Pediatrics</i>	1
Other Specialties	10
Physicians per 10,000 Population**	15.6
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population**	9.1
Federal Physicians***	0
Dentists and Dental Hygienists	
Dentists	6
Dental Hygienists	8

Nurses

Registered Nurses	199
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	6
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	2
Licensed Practical Nurses	58
Other Health Professionals	
Chiropractors	3
Occupational Therapists	4
Occupational Therapy Assistants	1
Optometrists	4
Pharmacists	17
Physical Therapists	13
Physical Therapist Assistants	8
Physician Assistants	3
Podiatrists	1
Practicing Psychologists	2
Psychological Associates	3
Respiratory Therapists	9

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2012

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	14,939	3,026	8,552	3,361
Nonwhite	457	153	267	37
Total	15,396	3,179	8,819	3,398
% of Pop.	100.0%	20.6%	57.3%	22.1%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2012	7,131
Employed 2012	6,292
Unemployed 2012	839
Unemployment Rate 2012 (%)	11.8
Per Capita Income 2012	\$28,657
Medicaid Eligibles 2012	3,714

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2012

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	136	Total Pregnancies	162	Total Pregnancy Rate	68.0
Resident Deaths	199	Teen Pregnancies	20	Teen Pregnancy Rate	54.9
% Births <2500 gms (2012)	11.0	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2012

(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 2012 ⁺	2,042	General Hospital Beds 2012 ⁺⁺	46	Nursing Facility Beds 2012	127
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§ Please refer to page 4 of this book for an explanation of the change in physician numbers.

* Numbers reported include those active within the profession and those newly licensed in 2012 with unknown activity status; inactives are excluded

** Rates are based on 2012 population data.

*** Includes NC licensed federal physicians in the armed services, US Public Health Service, Indian Health Service, and the Department of Veteran 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.