



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Southern Regional

■ 2006 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	244
Primary Care Physicians	74
<i>Family Practice</i>	11
<i>General Practice</i>	2
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	37
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	14
<i>Pediatrics</i>	10
Other Specialties	170
Physicians per 10,000 Population	29.7
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	9.0
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	52
Dental Hygienists	54

Nurses

Registered Nurses	1,097
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	25
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	1
Licensed Practical Nurses	266

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	13
Occupational Therapists	22
Occupational Therapy Assistants	13
Optometrists	12
Pharmacists	74
Physical Therapists	50
Physical Therapist Assistants	28
Physician Assistants	41
Podiatrists	4
Practicing Psychologists	10
Psychological Associates	6
Respiratory Therapists	62

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2006

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	68,769	14,939	37,715	16,115
Nonwhite	13,519	4,257	7,584	1,678
Total	82,288	19,196	45,299	17,793
% of Pop.	100.0%	23.3%	55.0%	21.6%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2006	36,440
Employed 2006	34,679
Unemployed 2006	1,761
Unemployment Rate 2006 (%)	4.8
Per Capita Income 2005	\$35,575
Medicaid Eligibles 2006	12,999

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2005

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	987	Total Pregnancies	1,141	Total Pregnancy Rate	80.9
Resident Deaths	956	Teen Pregnancies	137	Teen Pregnancy Rate	60.9
% Births <2500 gms	8.0	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2006

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	12.2	White	10.3	Nonwhite	19.2
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2005 ⁺	10,222	General Hospital Beds 2006 ⁺⁺	297	Nursing Facility Beds 2006	730
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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.