



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Eastern

■ 2004 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	120
Primary Care Physicians	58
<i>Family Practice</i>	17
<i>General Practice</i>	3
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	15
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	12
<i>Pediatrics</i>	11
Other Specialties	62
Physicians per 10,000 Population	7.5
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	3.6
Federal Physicians**	52

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	54
Dental Hygienists	99

Nurses

Registered Nurses	745
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	30
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	1
Licensed Practical Nurses	246

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	11
Optometrists	11
Pharmacists	59
Physical Therapists	36
Physical Therapist Assistants	12
Physician Assistants	28
Podiatrists	5
Practicing Psychologists	14
Psychological Associates	9
Respiratory Therapists	26

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2004

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	121,982	35,888	77,303	8,791
Nonwhite	37,835	13,590	22,362	1,883
Total	159,817	49,478	99,665	10,674
% of Pop.	100.0%	31.0%	62.4%	6.7%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2004	55,324
Employed 2004	52,277
Unemployed 2004	3,047
Unemployment Rate 2004 (%)	5.5
Per Capita Income 2003	\$26,487
Medicaid Eligibles 2003 <i>(unduplicated count)</i>	20,312

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2003

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	3,181	Total Pregnancies	3,763	Total Pregnancy Rate	108.6
Resident Deaths	774	Teen Pregnancies	440	Teen Pregnancy Rate	75.1
% Births <2500 gms	7.6	<i>(ages 15-19)</i>		<i>(ages 15-19)</i>	

Infant Mortality Rates 2003

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	10.4	White	8.8	Nonwhite	16.2
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2003 [†]	12,003	General Hospital Beds 2004 ^{††}	162	Nursing Facility Beds 2004	359
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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.