



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Eastern AHEC

■ 2006 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	128
Primary Care Physicians	68
<i>Family Practice</i>	20
<i>General Practice</i>	3
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	14
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	15
<i>Pediatrics</i>	16
Other Specialties	60
Physicians per 10,000 Population	7.9
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	4.2
Federal Physicians**	53

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	55
Dental Hygienists	104

Nurses

Registered Nurses	781
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	31
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	4
Licensed Practical Nurses	240

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	11
Occupational Therapists	19
Occupational Therapy Assistants	9
Optometrists	15
Pharmacists	67
Physical Therapists	44
Physical Therapist Assistants	14
Physician Assistants	31
Podiatrists	4
Practicing Psychologists	15
Psychological Associates	12
Respiratory Therapists	28

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2006

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	122,558	35,079	78,141	9,338
Nonwhite	38,666	13,496	23,139	2,031
Total	161,224	48,575	101,280	11,369
% of Pop.	100.0%	30.1%	62.8%	7.1%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2006	58,957
Employed 2006	56,231
Unemployed 2006	2,726
Unemployment Rate 2006 (%)	4.6
Per Capita Income 2005	\$32,705
Medicaid Eligibles 2006	21,386

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2005

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	3,192	Total Pregnancies	3,837	Total Pregnancy Rate	111.7
Resident Deaths	844	Teen Pregnancies	485	Teen Pregnancy Rate	83.6
% Births <2500 gms	8.2	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2006

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	7.5	White	5.5	Nonwhite	15.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2005 ⁺	12,547	General Hospital Beds 2006 ⁺⁺	162	Nursing Facility Beds 2006	359
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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.