



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Mountain AHEC

2010 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	31
Primary Care Physicians	17
<i>Family Practice</i>	12
<i>General Practice</i>	0
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	4
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	1
<i>Pediatrics</i>	0
Other Specialties	14
Physicians per 10,000 Population**	15.1
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population**	8.3
Federal Physicians***	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	7
Dental Hygienists	7

Nurses

Registered Nurses	135
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	8
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	51

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	12
Occupational Therapists	5
Occupational Therapy Assistants	5
Optometrists	4
Pharmacists	13
Physical Therapists	9
Physical Therapist Assistants	12
Physician Assistants	3
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	6
Psychological Associates	1
Respiratory Therapists	8

DEMOGRAPHICS

Projected Population 2009

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	18,058	3,642	9,974	4,442
Nonwhite	1,287	345	758	184
Total	19,345	3,987	10,732	4,626
% of Pop.	100.0%	20.6%	55.5%	23.9%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2010	9,261
Employed 2010	8,449
Unemployed 2010	812
Unemployment Rate 2010 (%)	8.8
Per Capita Income 2008	\$40,129
Medicaid Eligibles 2009	2,918

HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS

Vital Statistics 2009

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	153	Total Pregnancies	186	Total Pregnancy Rate	59.2
Resident Deaths	305	Teen Pregnancies	18	Teen Pregnancy Rate	31.0
% Births <2500 gms	5.5	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2009

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	6.1	White	6.6	Nonwhite	0.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2009 ⁺	1,791	General Hospital Beds 2010 ⁺⁺	45	Nursing Facility Beds 2010	221
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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.