



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Mountain AHEC

■ 2012 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians[§]

Non-Federal Physicians	28
Primary Care Physicians	13
<i>Family Practice</i>	8
<i>General Practice</i>	2
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	3
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	0
<i>Pediatrics</i>	0
Other Specialties	15
Physicians per 10,000 Population**	13.8
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population**	6.4
Federal Physicians***	1
<i>Dentists and Dental Hygienists</i>	
Dentists	9
Dental Hygienists	10

Nurses

Registered Nurses	138
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	7
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	52
<i>Other Health Professionals</i>	
Chiropractors	12
Occupational Therapists	5
Occupational Therapy Assistants	6
Optometrists	4
Pharmacists	14
Physical Therapists	14
Physical Therapist Assistants	10
Physician Assistants	6
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	6
Psychological Associates	0
Respiratory Therapists	7

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2012

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	18,887	3,618	10,268	5,001
Nonwhite	1,375	438	728	209
Total	20,262	4,056	10,996	5,210
% of Pop.	100.0%	20.0%	54.3%	25.7%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2012	9,426
Employed 2012	8,707
Unemployed 2012	719
Unemployment Rate 2012 (%)	7.6
Per Capita Income 2012	\$40,232
Medicaid Eligibles 2012	3,563

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2012

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	124	Total Pregnancies	149	Total Pregnancy Rate	52.8
Resident Deaths	261	Teen Pregnancies	15	Teen Pregnancy Rate	*
% Births <2500 gms (2012)	7.6	(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 ⁺	1,619	General Hospital Beds 2012 ⁺⁺	45	Nursing Facility Beds 2012	221
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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.