

Rutherford



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Mountain

■ 2004 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	85
Primary Care Physicians	45
<i>Family Practice</i>	20
<i>General Practice</i>	0
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	14
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	5
<i>Pediatrics</i>	6
Other Specialties	40
Physicians per 10,000 Population	13.3
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	7.0
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	18
Dental Hygienists	33

Nurses

Registered Nurses	427
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	7
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	1
Licensed Practical Nurses	188

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	8
Optometrists	5
Pharmacists	43
Physical Therapists	11
Physical Therapist Assistants	13
Physician Assistants	8
Podiatrists	1
Practicing Psychologists	6
Psychological Associates	7
Respiratory Therapists	20

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2004

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	55,956	13,683	32,832	9,441
Nonwhite	7,905	2,601	4,485	819
Total	63,861	16,284	37,317	10,260
% of Pop.	100.0%	25.5%	58.4%	16.1%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2004	29,452
Employed 2004	26,710
Unemployed 2004	2,742
Unemployment Rate 2004 (%)	9.3
Per Capita Income 2003	\$22,778
Medicaid Eligibles 2003 <i>(unduplicated count)</i>	14,095

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2003

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	768	Total Pregnancies	888	Total Pregnancy Rate	71.6
Resident Deaths	737	Teen Pregnancies	131	Teen Pregnancy Rate	66.9
% Births <2500 gms	8.2	<i>(ages 15-19)</i>		<i>(ages 15-19)</i>	

Infant Mortality Rates 2003

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	10.4	White	8.9	Nonwhite	21.7
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2003 [†]	7,211	General Hospital Beds 2004 ^{††}	129	Nursing Facility Beds 2004	420
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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.