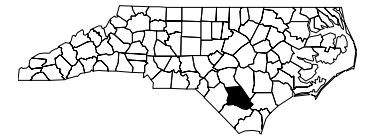


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MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Southern Regional

■ 2008 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	18
Primary Care Physicians	15
<i>Family Practice</i>	8
<i>General Practice</i>	1
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	4
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	2
<i>Pediatrics</i>	0
Other Specialties	3
Physicians per 10,000 Population	5.6
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	4.7
Federal Physicians**	1

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	7
Dental Hygienists	7

Nurses

Registered Nurses	160
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	4
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	1
Licensed Practical Nurses	83

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	2
Occupational Therapists	1
Occupational Therapy Assistants	1
Optometrists	2
Pharmacists	12
Physical Therapists	6
Physical Therapist Assistants	3
Physician Assistants	9
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	1
Psychological Associates	1
Respiratory Therapists	14

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2008

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	19,227	4,885	11,240	3,102
Nonwhite	12,957	3,818	7,534	1,605
Total	32,184	8,703	18,774	4,707
% of Pop.	100.0%	27.0%	58.3%	14.6%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2008	15,274
Employed 2008	14,039
Unemployed 2008	1,235
Unemployment Rate 2008 (%)	8.1
Per Capita Income 2007	\$26,033
Medicaid Eligibles 2008	8,100

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2007

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	425	Total Pregnancies	490	Total Pregnancy Rate	81.0
Resident Deaths	374	Teen Pregnancies	76	Teen Pregnancy Rate	78.9
% Births <2500 gms	8.7	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2007

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	7.1	White	3.7	Nonwhite	12.8
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2008 ⁺	4,115	General Hospital Beds 2008 ⁺⁺	48	Nursing Facility Beds 2008	184
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* Numbers reported include those active within the profession and those newly licensed in 2008 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.