



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Northwest

## ■ 2004 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS\*■

### Physicians

|   |      |
|---|------|
| Non-Federal Physicians                        | 108  |
| Primary Care Physicians                       | 61   |
| <i>Family Practice</i>                        | 25   |
| <i>General Practice</i>                       | 3    |
| <i>Internal Medicine</i>                      | 19   |
| <i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>                  | 8    |
| <i>Pediatrics</i>                             | 6    |
| Other Specialties                             | 47   |
| Physicians per 10,000 Population              | 14.8 |
| Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population | 8.4  |
| Federal Physicians**                          | 0    |

### Dentists and Dental Hygienists

|                   |    |
|-------------------|----|
| Dentists          | 23 |
| Dental Hygienists | 33 |

### Nurses

|                                 |     |
|---------------------------------|-----|
| Registered Nurses               | 550 |
| <i>Nurse Practitioners</i>      | 17  |
| <i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i> | 0   |
| Licensed Practical Nurses       | 183 |

### Other Health Professionals

|                               |    |
|-------------------------------|----|
| Chiropractors                 | 6  |
| Optometrists                  | 9  |
| Pharmacists                   | 50 |
| Physical Therapists           | 14 |
| Physical Therapist Assistants | 15 |
| Physician Assistants          | 16 |
| Podiatrists                   | 2  |
| Practicing Psychologists      | 2  |
| Psychological Associates      | 1  |
| Respiratory Therapists        | 23 |

## ■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

### Projected Population 2004

|                  | Total         | Ages 0-19     | Ages 20-64    | Ages 65+      |
|------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| <b>White</b>     | 68,763        | 17,444        | 40,434        | 10,885        |
| <b>Nonwhite</b>  | 4,047         | 1,381         | 2,225         | 441           |
| <b>Total</b>     | <b>72,810</b> | <b>18,825</b> | <b>42,659</b> | <b>11,326</b> |
| <b>% of Pop.</b> | 100.0%        | 25.9%         | 58.6%         | 15.6%         |

### Employment and Income Data

|  |          |
|--|----------|
| Labor Force 2004                                       | 35,138   |
| Employed 2004  | 32,971   |
| Unemployed 2004  | 2,167    |
| Unemployment Rate 2004 (%)                             | 6.2      |
| Per Capita Income 2003                                 | \$24,051 |
| Medicaid Eligibles 2003<br><i>(unduplicated count)</i> | 14,353   |

## ■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

### Vital Statistics 2003

*(Rates are per 1,000 population)*

|                              |     |                             |       |                                |      |
|------------------------------|-----|-----------------------------|-------|--------------------------------|------|
| Resident Births . . . . .    | 913 | Total Pregnancies . . . . . | 1,036 | Total Pregnancy Rate . . . . . | 74.7 |
| Resident Deaths . . . . .    | 753 | Teen Pregnancies . . . . .  | 158   | Teen Pregnancy Rate . . . . .  | 75.2 |
| % Births <2500 gms . . . . . | 9.3 | <i>(ages 15-19)</i>         |       | <i>(ages 15-19)</i>            |      |

### Infant Mortality Rates 2003

*(Rates are per 1,000 population)*

|                 |     |                 |     |                    |      |
|-----------------|-----|-----------------|-----|--------------------|------|
| Total . . . . . | 8.8 | White . . . . . | 8.0 | Nonwhite . . . . . | 23.3 |
|-----------------|-----|-----------------|-----|--------------------|------|

### Hospital/Facility Data

|   |        |  |     |                                      |     |
|---|--------|--|-----|--------------------------------------|-----|
| General Hospital Discharges 2003 <sup>†</sup> . . . . . | 10,256 | General Hospital Beds 2004 <sup>††</sup> . . . . . | 181 | Nursing Facility Beds 2004 . . . . . | 472 |
|---|--------|--|-----|--------------------------------------|-----|

\*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.

<sup>†</sup>Counts are for discharges of county residents from acute-care, short-stay hospitals; numbers exclude normal newborns.

<sup>††</sup>Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.