



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Eastern AHEC

■ 2006 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	180
Primary Care Physicians	79
<i>Family Practice</i>	27
<i>General Practice</i>	4
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	25
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	8
<i>Pediatrics</i>	15
Other Specialties	101
Physicians per 10,000 Population	15.7
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	6.9
Federal Physicians**	5

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	44
Dental Hygienists	84

Nurses

Registered Nurses	989
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	25
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	276

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	10
Occupational Therapists	21
Occupational Therapy Assistants	16
Optometrists	11
Pharmacists	84
Physical Therapists	27
Physical Therapist Assistants	26
Physician Assistants	29
Podiatrists	2
Practicing Psychologists	14
Psychological Associates	25
Respiratory Therapists	37

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2006

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	73,246	19,619	43,641	9,986
Nonwhite	41,674	13,228	24,446	4,000
Total	114,920	32,847	68,087	13,986
% of Pop.	100.0%	28.6%	59.2%	12.2%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2006	52,314
Employed 2006	49,801
Unemployed 2006	2,513
Unemployment Rate 2006 (%)	4.8
Per Capita Income 2005	\$26,141
Medicaid Eligibles 2006	26,573

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2005

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	1,815	Total Pregnancies	2,159	Total Pregnancy Rate	89.5
Resident Deaths	1,058	Teen Pregnancies	326	Teen Pregnancy Rate	78.2
% Births <2500 gms	10.0	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2006

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	12.1	White	5.9	Nonwhite	23.7
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2005 ⁺	15,296	General Hospital Beds 2006 ⁺⁺	255	Nursing Facility Beds 2006	480
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* Numbers reported include those active within the profession and those newly licensed in 2006 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.