



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Northwest

■ 2004 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	69
Primary Care Physicians	38
<i>Family Practice</i>	15
<i>General Practice</i>	0
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	16
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	3
<i>Pediatrics</i>	4
Other Specialties	31
Physicians per 10,000 Population	10.2
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	5.6
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	21
Dental Hygienists	32

Nurses

Registered Nurses	414
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	14
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	75

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	5
Optometrists	5
Pharmacists	30
Physical Therapists	13
Physical Therapist Assistants	13
Physician Assistants	18
Podiatrists	1
Practicing Psychologists	3
Psychological Associates	6
Respiratory Therapists	14

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2004

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	64,158	15,796	38,959	9,403
Nonwhite	3,351	941	1,983	427
Total	67,509	16,737	40,942	9,830
% of Pop.	100.0%	24.8%	60.6%	14.6%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2004	32,800
Employed 2004	30,761
Unemployed 2004	2,039
Unemployment Rate 2004 (%)	6.2
Per Capita Income 2003	\$24,633
Medicaid Eligibles 2003 (unduplicated count)	13,572

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2003

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	822	Total Pregnancies	911	Total Pregnancy Rate	70.2
Resident Deaths	682	Teen Pregnancies	132	Teen Pregnancy Rate	65.5
% Births <2500 gms	8.8	<i>(ages 15-19)</i>		<i>(ages 15-19)</i>	

Infant Mortality Rates 2003

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	3.6	White	2.6	Nonwhite	25.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2003 [†]	8,739	General Hospital Beds 2004 ^{††}	120	Nursing Facility Beds 2004	417
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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.