



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Northwest

■ 2005 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	65
Primary Care Physicians	38
<i>Family Practice</i>	14
<i>General Practice</i>	0
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	15
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	3
<i>Pediatrics</i>	6
Other Specialties	27
Physicians per 10,000 Population	9.7
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	5.6
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	21
Dental Hygienists	30

Nurses

Registered Nurses	410
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	12
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	76

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	5
Optometrists	5
Pharmacists	30
Physical Therapists	12
Physical Therapist Assistants	16
Physician Assistants	15
Podiatrists	1
Practicing Psychologists	3
Psychological Associates	5
Respiratory Therapists	17

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2005

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	64,018	15,633	38,871	9,514
Nonwhite	3,333	933	1,973	427
Total	67,351	16,566	40,844	9,941
% of Pop.	100.0%	24.6%	60.6%	14.8%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2005	32,616
Employed 2005	30,722
Unemployed 2005	1,894
Unemployment Rate 2005 (%)	5.8
Per Capita Income 2004	\$26,753
Medicaid Eligibles 2004 (unduplicated count)	14,070

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2004

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	750	Total Pregnancies	838	Total Pregnancy Rate	65.1
Resident Deaths	644	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	118	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	59.7
% Births <2500 gms	9.1				

Infant Mortality Rates 2004

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	12.0	White	11.2	Nonwhite	27.8
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2004 [†]	9,156	General Hospital Beds 2005 ^{††}	120	Nursing Facility Beds 2005	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 2005; 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.