



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Northwest AHEC

■ 2006 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	69
Primary Care Physicians	42
<i>Family Practice</i>	15
<i>General Practice</i>	0
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	18
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	3
<i>Pediatrics</i>	6
Other Specialties	27
Physicians per 10,000 Population	10.3
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	6.3
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	18
Dental Hygienists	32

Nurses

Registered Nurses	413
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	14
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	81

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	6
Occupational Therapists	8
Occupational Therapy Assistants	11
Optometrists	5
Pharmacists	32
Physical Therapists	14
Physical Therapist Assistants	14
Physician Assistants	16
Podiatrists	1
Practicing Psychologists	2
Psychological Associates	6
Respiratory Therapists	15

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2006

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	63,598	15,656	38,330	9,612
Nonwhite	3,326	972	1,923	431
Total	66,924	16,628	40,253	10,043
% of Pop.	100.0%	24.8%	60.1%	15.0%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2006	31,367
Employed 2006	29,628
Unemployed 2006	1,739
Unemployment Rate 2006 (%)	5.5
Per Capita Income 2005	\$29,314
Medicaid Eligibles 2006	14,550

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2005

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	798	Total Pregnancies	876	Total Pregnancy Rate	68.9
Resident Deaths	687	Teen Pregnancies	113	Teen Pregnancy Rate	57.2
% Births <2500 gms	9.9	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2006

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	7.5	White	6.7	Nonwhite	20.4
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2005 ⁺	10,227	General Hospital Beds 2006 ⁺⁺	120	Nursing Facility Beds 2006	417
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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.