



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Area L

■ 2005 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	106
Primary Care Physicians	47
<i>Family Practice</i>	13
<i>General Practice</i>	2
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	20
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	7
<i>Pediatrics</i>	5
Other Specialties	59
Physicians per 10,000 Population	13.8
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	6.1
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	22
Dental Hygienists	22

Nurses

Registered Nurses	621
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	17
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	180

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	8
Optometrists	10
Pharmacists	64
Physical Therapists	22
Physical Therapist Assistants	27
Physician Assistants	12
Podiatrists	2
Practicing Psychologists	5
Psychological Associates	4
Respiratory Therapists	20

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2005

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	45,124	10,961	27,161	7,002
Nonwhite	31,918	10,192	18,740	2,986
Total	77,042	21,153	45,901	9,988
% of Pop.	100.0%	27.5%	59.6%	13.0%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2005	38,700
Employed 2005	35,551
Unemployed 2005	3,149
Unemployment Rate 2005 (%)	8.1
Per Capita Income 2004	\$26,277
Medicaid Eligibles 2004 (unduplicated count)	18,318

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2004

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	1,081	Total Pregnancies	1,375	Total Pregnancy Rate	87.7
Resident Deaths	797	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	223	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	88.4
% Births <2500 gms	10.4				

Infant Mortality Rates 2004

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	16.7	White	13.1	Nonwhite	21.2
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2004 [†]	9,853	General Hospital Beds 2005 ^{††}	294	Nursing Facility Beds 2005	375
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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.