



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Northwest

■ 2004 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	17
Primary Care Physicians	16
<i>Family Practice</i>	11
<i>General Practice</i>	0
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	4
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	0
<i>Pediatrics</i>	1
Other Specialties	1
Physicians per 10,000 Population	4.5
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	4.3
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	6
Dental Hygienists	16

Nurses

Registered Nurses	112
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	6
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	47

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	4
Optometrists	2
Pharmacists	16
Physical Therapists	3
Physical Therapist Assistants	3
Physician Assistants	4
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	0
Psychological Associates	1
Respiratory Therapists	0

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2004

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	35,989	9,451	21,445	5,093
Nonwhite	1,535	450	901	184
Total	37,524	9,901	22,346	5,277
% of Pop.	100.0%	26.4%	59.6%	14.1%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2004	19,485
Employed 2004	18,475
Unemployed 2004	1,010
Unemployment Rate 2004 (%)	5.2
Per Capita Income 2003	\$23,863
Medicaid Eligibles 2003 (unduplicated count)	5,857

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2003

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	440	Total Pregnancies	508	Total Pregnancy Rate	68.6
Resident Deaths	366	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	72	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	64.7
% Births <2500 gms	7.7				

Infant Mortality Rates 2003

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	2.3	White	2.4	Nonwhite	0.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2003 [†]	4,656	General Hospital Beds 2004 ^{††}	22	Nursing Facility Beds 2004	223
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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.