



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Mountain AHEC

■ 2011 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians[§]

Non-Federal Physicians	13
Primary Care Physicians	12
<i>Family Practice</i>	9
<i>General Practice</i>	0
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	1
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	0
<i>Pediatrics</i>	2
Other Specialties	1
Physicians per 10,000 Population**	7.2
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population**	6.6
Federal Physicians***	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	4
Dental Hygienists	8

Nurses

Registered Nurses	63
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	9
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	48

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	1
Occupational Therapists	3
Occupational Therapy Assistants	1
Optometrists	2
Pharmacists	10
Physical Therapists	5
Physical Therapist Assistants	4
Physician Assistants	3
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	0
Psychological Associates	1
Respiratory Therapists	0

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2009⁺⁺⁺

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	18,133	3,931	10,411	3,791
Nonwhite	421	111	227	83
Total	18,554	4,042	10,638	3,874
% of Pop.	100.0%	21.8%	57.3%	20.9%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2011	7,767
Employed 2011	6,835
Unemployed 2011	932
Unemployment Rate 2011 (%)	12.0
Per Capita Income 2010	\$25,418
Medicaid Eligibles 2011	4,292

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2010

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	177	Total Pregnancies	189	Total Pregnancy Rate	65.2
Resident Deaths	227	Teen Pregnancies	29	Teen Pregnancy Rate	56.5
% Births <2500 gms (2009)	8.5	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2010

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	6.0	White	6.8	Nonwhite	0.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2010. ⁺	2,131	General Hospital Beds 2011. ⁺⁺	0	Nursing Facility Beds 2011.	140
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§ Please refer to page 4 of this book for an explanation of the change in physician numbers.

* Numbers reported include those active within the profession and those newly licensed in 2011 with unknown activity status; inactives are excluded

** Rates are based on 2011 population data.

*** Includes NC licensed federal physicians in the armed services, US Public Health Service, Indian Health Service, and the Department of Veteran 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.

+++ Population data by race/ethnicity and age for 2010 and 2011 were not yet available at the time of publication.