



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Northwest AHEC

■ 2006 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	185
Primary Care Physicians	79
<i>Family Practice</i>	40
<i>General Practice</i>	3
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	21
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	9
<i>Pediatrics</i>	6
Other Specialties	106
Physicians per 10,000 Population	20.9
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	8.9
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	34
Dental Hygienists	33

Nurses

Registered Nurses	941
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	18
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	2
Licensed Practical Nurses	159

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	9
Occupational Therapists	28
Occupational Therapy Assistants	29
Optometrists	4
Pharmacists	76
Physical Therapists	31
Physical Therapist Assistants	33
Physician Assistants	20
Podiatrists	1
Practicing Psychologists	34
Psychological Associates	42
Respiratory Therapists	21

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2006

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	77,276	18,899	46,843	11,534
Nonwhite	11,388	4,635	5,964	789
Total	88,664	23,534	52,807	12,323
% of Pop.	100.0%	26.5%	59.6%	13.9%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2006	42,036
Employed 2006	39,602
Unemployed 2006	2,434
Unemployment Rate 2006 (%)	5.8
Per Capita Income 2005	\$25,945
Medicaid Eligibles 2006	17,845

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2005

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	992	Total Pregnancies	1,122	Total Pregnancy Rate	65.6
Resident Deaths	869	Teen Pregnancies	181	Teen Pregnancy Rate	64.0
% Births <2500 gms	8.5	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2006

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	12.1	White	13.9	Nonwhite	0.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2005 ⁺	10,735	General Hospital Beds 2006 ⁺⁺	354	Nursing Facility Beds 2006	556
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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.