



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Northwest AHEC

■ 2006 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	72
Primary Care Physicians	42
<i>Family Practice</i>	22
<i>General Practice</i>	1
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	8
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	5
<i>Pediatrics</i>	6
Other Specialties	30
Physicians per 10,000 Population	9.1
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	5.3
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	23
Dental Hygienists	29

Nurses

Registered Nurses	390
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	15
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	2
Licensed Practical Nurses	86

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	4
Occupational Therapists	3
Occupational Therapy Assistants	14
Optometrists	4
Pharmacists	43
Physical Therapists	11
Physical Therapist Assistants	20
Physician Assistants	11
Podiatrists	1
Practicing Psychologists	4
Psychological Associates	5
Respiratory Therapists	17

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2006

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	73,914	18,253	44,899	10,762
Nonwhite	5,383	1,812	3,027	544
Total	79,297	20,065	47,926	11,306
% of Pop.	100.0%	25.3%	60.4%	14.3%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2006	40,227
Employed 2006	37,196
Unemployed 2006	3,031
Unemployment Rate 2006 (%)	7.5
Per Capita Income 2005	\$26,814
Medicaid Eligibles 2006	16,268

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2005

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	929	Total Pregnancies	1,027	Total Pregnancy Rate	67.1
Resident Deaths	829	Teen Pregnancies	175	Teen Pregnancy Rate	75.8
% Births <2500 gms	10.1	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2006

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	7.5	White	5.7	Nonwhite	39.2
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2005 ⁺	10,048	General Hospital Beds 2006 ⁺⁺	110	Nursing Facility Beds 2006	400
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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.