



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Eastern

■ 2004 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	210
Primary Care Physicians	80
<i>Family Practice</i>	15
<i>General Practice</i>	4
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	34
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	8
<i>Pediatrics</i>	19
Other Specialties	130
Physicians per 10,000 Population	22.5
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	8.6
Federal Physicians**	8

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	36
Dental Hygienists	48

Nurses

Registered Nurses	908
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	28
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	1
Licensed Practical Nurses	245

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	13
Optometrists	13
Pharmacists	66
Physical Therapists	45
Physical Therapist Assistants	20
Physician Assistants	18
Podiatrists	4
Practicing Psychologists	12
Psychological Associates	15
Respiratory Therapists	51

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2004

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	67,388	16,563	40,281	10,544
Nonwhite	26,066	8,364	15,359	2,343
Total	93,454	24,927	55,640	12,887
% of Pop.	100.0%	26.7%	59.5%	13.8%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2004	39,714
Employed 2004	37,708
Unemployed 2004	2,006
Unemployment Rate 2004 (%)	5.1
Per Capita Income 2003	\$28,097
Medicaid Eligibles 2003 (unduplicated count)	16,388

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2003

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	1,537	Total Pregnancies	1,798	Total Pregnancy Rate	99.8
Resident Deaths	900	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	247	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	84.3
% Births <2500 gms	7.9				

Infant Mortality Rates 2003

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	5.2	White	2.7	Nonwhite	12.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2003 [†]	12,833	General Hospital Beds 2004 ^{††}	270	Nursing Facility Beds 2004	461
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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.