



MSA county designation: Metropolitan

AHEC Region: Northwest AHEC

■ 2008 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	122
Primary Care Physicians	74
<i>Family Practice</i>	23
<i>General Practice</i>	1
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	24
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	9
<i>Pediatrics</i>	17
Other Specialties	48
Physicians per 10,000 Population	7.7
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	4.7
Federal Physicians**	2

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	28
Dental Hygienists	75

Nurses

Registered Nurses	782
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	20
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	1
Licensed Practical Nurses	181

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	13
Occupational Therapists	17
Occupational Therapy Assistants	24
Optometrists	12
Pharmacists	75
Physical Therapists	41
Physical Therapist Assistants	30
Physician Assistants	18
Podiatrists	2
Practicing Psychologists	3
Psychological Associates	5
Respiratory Therapists	30

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2008

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	141,041	35,509	85,148	20,384
Nonwhite	17,856	5,332	10,848	1,676
Total	158,897	40,841	95,996	22,060
% of Pop.	100.0%	25.7%	60.4%	13.9%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2008	77,621
Employed 2008	71,932
Unemployed 2008	5,689
Unemployment Rate 2008 (%)	7.3
Per Capita Income 2007	\$29,332
Medicaid Eligibles 2008	24,273

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2007

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	1,915	Total Pregnancies	2,187	Total Pregnancy Rate	70.1
Resident Deaths	1,471	Teen Pregnancies	308	Teen Pregnancy Rate	61.5
% Births <2500 gms	9.6	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2007

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	9.4	White	7.1	Nonwhite	25.9
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2008 ⁺	15,660	General Hospital Beds 2008 ⁺⁺	217	Nursing Facility Beds 2008	794
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* Numbers reported include those active within the profession and those newly licensed in 2008 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.