



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Area L

■ 2005 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	83
Primary Care Physicians	42
<i>Family Practice</i>	15
<i>General Practice</i>	1
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	15
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	3
<i>Pediatrics</i>	8
Other Specialties	41
Physicians per 10,000 Population	14.7
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	7.5
Federal Physicians**	1

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	13
Dental Hygienists	19

Nurses

Registered Nurses	388
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	7
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	109

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	4
Optometrists	5
Pharmacists	33
Physical Therapists	11
Physical Therapist Assistants	16
Physician Assistants	9
Podiatrists	1
Practicing Psychologists	4
Psychological Associates	3
Respiratory Therapists	24

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2005

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	23,424	5,119	13,651	4,654
Nonwhite	32,920	9,855	19,238	3,827
Total	56,344	14,974	32,889	8,481
% of Pop.	100.0%	26.6%	58.4%	15.1%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2005	23,441
Employed 2005	21,679
Unemployed 2005	1,762
Unemployment Rate 2005 (%)	7.5
Per Capita Income 2004	\$21,497
Medicaid Eligibles 2004 (unduplicated count)	18,839

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2004

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	723	Total Pregnancies	946	Total Pregnancy Rate	85.5
Resident Deaths	643	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	160	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	85.6
% Births <2500 gms	16.0				

Infant Mortality Rates 2004

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	22.1	White	8.1	Nonwhite	29.4
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2004 [†]	9,938	General Hospital Beds 2005 ^{††}	206	Nursing Facility Beds 2005	345
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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 2005; 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.