



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Northwest

## ■ ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS\* ■

### Physicians 2000

Non-Federal Physicians	28
Primary Care Physicians	17
<i>Family Practice</i>	14
<i>General Practice</i>	1
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	2
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	0
<i>Pediatrics</i>	0
Other Specialties	11
Physicians per 10,000 Population	16.3
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	9.9
Federal Physicians**	0

### Dentists and Dental Hygienists 1999<sup>‡</sup>

Dentists	5
Dental Hygienists	6

### Nurses 2000

Registered Nurses	157
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	5
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	69

### Other Health Professionals 2000

Chiropractors	1
Optometrists	0
Pharmacists	13
Physical Therapists	5
Physical Therapist Assistant	5
Physician Assistants	2
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	3
Psychological Associates	3

## ■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

### Population Estimates 2000

	Total	Ages 0-18	Ages 19-64	Ages 65+
<b>White</b>	16,129	3,441	10,023	2,665
<b>Nonwhite</b>	1,038	122	883	33
<b>Total</b>	<b>17,167</b>	<b>3,563</b>	<b>10,906</b>	<b>2,698</b>
<b>% of Pop.</b>	100.0%	20.8%	63.5%	15.7%

### Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2000	7,713
Employed 2000	7,447
Unemployed 2000	266
Unemployment Rate 2000 (%)	3.4
Per Capita Income 1999	\$23,946
Medicaid Eligible 2000 (unduplicated count)	2,811

## ■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

### Vital Statistics 1999

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	162	Total Pregnancies	192	Total Pregnancy Rate	61.6
Resident Deaths	173	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	33	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	54.1
% Births <2500 gms.	14.2				

### Infant Mortality Rates 1999

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	6.2	White	6.3	Nonwhite	0.0
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### Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2000 <sup>+</sup>	2,347	General Hospital Beds 2000 <sup>++</sup>	40	Nursing Facility Beds 2000	128
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\*Numbers reported include those who are active within the profession and those with unknown activity status; 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.

<sup>‡</sup> 2000 dentist and hygienist data will be released in a separate supplement that will follow this report. See <http://www.shepscenter.unc.edu/hp>.

<sup>+</sup>Counts are for discharges of county residents from acute care short stay hospitals; numbers exclude normal newborns.

<sup>++</sup>Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.