



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Mountain AHEC

■ 2001 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	6
Primary Care Physicians	6
<i>Family Practice</i>	4
<i>General Practice</i>	0
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	1
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	1
<i>Pediatrics</i>	0
Other Specialties	0
Physicians per 10,000 Population	6.7
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	6.7
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	3
Dental Hygienists	5

Nurses

Registered Nurses	59
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	1
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	31

Other Health Professionals

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

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Population Estimates 2001

	Total	Ages 0-18	Ages 19-64	Ages 65+
White	8,856	1,666	5,170	2,020
Nonwhite	166	47	100	19
Total	9,022	1,713	5,270	2,039
% of Pop.	100.0%	19.0%	58.4%	22.6%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2001	4,150
Employed 2001	3,982
Unemployed 2001	168
Unemployment Rate 2001 (%)	4.1
Per Capita Income 2000	\$21,292
Medicaid Eligibles 2001 <i>(unduplicated count)</i>	1,646

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2000

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	77	Total Pregnancies	98	Total Pregnancy Rate	68.4
Resident Deaths	123	Teen Pregnancies	7	Teen Pregnancy Rate	29.3
% Births <2500 gms	3.9	<i>(ages 15-19)</i>		<i>(ages 15-19)</i>	

Infant Mortality Rates 2000

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	0.0	White	0.0	Nonwhite	0.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2000 [†]	780	General Hospital Beds 2001 ^{††}		Nursing Facility Beds 2001	80
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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 2001; 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.