



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Northwest AHEC

## ■ 2001 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS\* ■

### Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	231
Primary Care Physicians	96
<i>Family Practice</i>	31
<i>General Practice</i>	0
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	32
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	17
<i>Pediatrics</i>	16
Other Specialties	135
Physicians per 10,000 Population	18.1
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	7.5
Federal Physicians**	1

### Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	61
Dental Hygienists	66

### Nurses

Registered Nurses	1,343
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	15
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	2
Licensed Practical Nurses	204

### Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	19
Optometrists	14
Pharmacists	117
Physical Therapists	48
Physical Therapist Assistants	33
Physician Assistants	23
Podiatrists	3
Practicing Psychologists	10
Psychological Associates	12

## ■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

### Population Estimates 2001

	Total	Ages 0-18	Ages 19-64	Ages 65+
<b>White</b>	107,752	27,476	66,329	13,947
<b>Nonwhite</b>	20,147	6,818	11,617	1,712
<b>Total</b>	<b>127,899</b>	<b>34,294</b>	<b>77,946</b>	<b>15,659</b>
<b>% of Pop.</b>	100.0%	26.8%	60.9%	12.2%

### Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2001	65,605
Employed 2001	61,834
Unemployed 2001	3,771
Unemployment Rate 2001 (%)	5.7
Per Capita Income 2000	\$25,767
Medicaid Eligibles 2001 <i>(unduplicated count)</i>	16,957

## ■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

### Vital Statistics 2000

*(Rates are per 1,000 population)*

Resident Births . . . . .	1,850	Total Pregnancies . . . . .	2,132	Total Pregnancy Rate . . . . .	81.7
Resident Deaths . . . . .	1,138	Teen Pregnancies . . . . .	281	Teen Pregnancy Rate . . . . .	77.7
% Births <2500 gms . . . . .	9.7	<i>(ages 15-19)</i>		<i>(ages 15-19)</i>	

### Infant Mortality Rates 2000

*(Rates are per 1,000 population)*

Total . . . . .	10.8	White . . . . .	8.7	Nonwhite . . . . .	20.1
-----------------	------	-----------------	-----	--------------------	------

### Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2000 <sup>†</sup> . . . . .	18,435	General Hospital Beds 2001 <sup>††</sup> . . . . .	424	Nursing Facility Beds 2001 . . . . .	653
---	--------	--	-----	--------------------------------------	-----

\*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.

<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.