



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Charlotte

■ 2002 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS* ■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	80
Primary Care Physicians	43
<i>Family Practice</i>	16
<i>General Practice</i>	0
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	16
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	5
<i>Pediatrics</i>	6
Other Specialties	37
Physicians per 10,000 Population	13.5
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	7.2
Federal Physicians **	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	16
Dental Hygienists	18

Nurses

Registered Nurses	358
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	10
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	1
Licensed Practical Nurses	158

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	4
Optometrists	4
Pharmacists	38
Physical Therapists	13
Physical Therapist Assistants	19
Physician Assistants	9
Podiatrists	1
Practicing Psychologists	2
Psychological Associates	5

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2002

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-6	Ages 65+
White	50,859	13,066	30,058	7,735
Nonwhite	8,559	3,154	4,758	647
Total	59,418	16,220	34,816	8,382
% of Pop.	100.0%	27.3%	58.6%	14.1%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2002	25,926
Employed 2002	23,722
Unemployed 2002	2,204
Unemployment Rate 2002 (%)	8.5
Per Capita Income 2001	\$22,953
Medicaid Eligibles 2001 <i>(unduplicated count)</i>	9,759

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2001

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	754	Total Pregnancies	858	Total Pregnancy Rate	72.6
Resident Deaths	561	Teen Pregnancies	125	Teen Pregnancy Rate	63.3
% Births <2500 gms	10.1	<i>(ages 15-19)</i>		<i>(ages 15-19)</i>	

Infant Mortality Rates 2001

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	10.6	White	9.3	Nonwhite	17.9
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2001 [†] ..	7,280	General Hospital Beds 2002 ^{††} ..	97	Nursing Facility Beds 2002 ..	406
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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 2002; 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.