



MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Northwest AHEC

■ 2009 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	122
Primary Care Physicians	79
<i>Family Practice</i>	34
<i>General Practice</i>	1
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	30
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	5
<i>Pediatrics</i>	9
Other Specialties	43
Physicians per 10,000 Population	16.5
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	10.7
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	24
Dental Hygienists	47

Nurses

Registered Nurses	639
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	29
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	168

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	6
Occupational Therapists	13
Occupational Therapy Assistants	5
Optometrists	9
Pharmacists	61
Physical Therapists	25
Physical Therapist Assistants	27
Physician Assistants	31
Podiatrists	1
Practicing Psychologists	2
Psychological Associates	1
Respiratory Therapists	29

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2009

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	69,768	17,681	40,530	11,557
Nonwhite	4,121	1,294	2,333	494
Total	73,889	18,975	42,863	12,051
% of Pop.	100.0%	25.7%	58.0%	16.3%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2009	35,026
Employed 2009	30,794
Unemployed 2009	4,232
Unemployment Rate 2009 (%)	12.1
Per Capita Income 2008	\$29,802
Medicaid Eligibles 2009	16,581

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2008

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	916	Total Pregnancies	1,010	Total Pregnancy Rate	74.4
Resident Deaths	847	Teen Pregnancies	137	Teen Pregnancy Rate	56.9
% Births <2500 gms	9.1	(ages 15-19)		(ages 15-19)	

Infant Mortality Rates 2008

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	16.4	White	16.0	Nonwhite	23.3
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2008 ⁺	10,588	General Hospital Beds 2009 ⁺⁺	181	Nursing Facility Beds 2009	340
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* Numbers reported include those active within the profession and those newly licensed in 2009 with unknown activity status; inactives 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.