Polk

MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan  AHEC Region: Mountain AHEC

2011 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians  27
Primary Care Physicians  13
  Family Practice  9
  General Practice  1
Internal Medicine  3
Obstetrics/Gynecology  0
Pediatrics  0
Other Specialties  14
Physicians per 10,000 Population**  13.2
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population**  6.4
Federal Physicians***  2

Nurses

Registered Nurses  131
  Nurse Practitioners  6
  Certified Nurse Midwives  0
Licensed Practical Nurses  54

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors  11
Occupational Therapists  5
Occupational Therapy Assistants  4
Optometrists  4
Pharmacists  14
Physical Therapists  13
Physical Therapist Assistants  8
Physician Assistants  6
Podiatrists  0
Practicing Psychologists  6
Psychological Associates  1
Respiratory Therapists  7

DEMOGRAPHICS

Projected Population 2009+++

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% of Pop.  100.0%  20.6%  55.5%  23.9%

HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS

Vital Statistics 2010

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births  130  Total Pregnancies  159  Total Pregnancy Rate  54.3
Resident Deaths  297  Teen Pregnancies  22  Teen Pregnancy Rate  39
% Births <2500 gms (2009)  6.9

Infant Mortality Rates 2010

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total  8.0  White  9.6  Nonwhite  0.0

Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2010*  1,604  General Hospital Beds 2011++  45  Nursing Facility Beds 2011...  221

§ Please refer to page 4 of this book for an explanation of the change in physician numbers.
* Numbers reported include those active within the profession and those newly licensed in 2011 with unknown activity status; inactives are excluded.
** Rates are based on 2011 population data.
*** Includes NC licensed federal physicians in the armed services, US Public Health Service, Indian Health Service, and the Department of Veteran 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.
+++ Population data by race/ethnicity and age for 2010 and 2011 were not yet available at the time of publication.

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