RANK 26 ↓

2021-2022 South Carolina Child Maltreatment Data Profile

ABBEVILLE COUNTY

Children under 18 years of age (2021)	
Abbeville County	4,813
South Carolina	1,114,257

INTAKES
Rate per 100 families[1]

14.4
INCREASED

South Carolina 13.2

Percent of intakes investigated

47.7%
DECREASED

South Carolina 53.8%

Percent of investigations substantiated

21.3%
INCREASED

South Carolina 25.3%

Percent of intakes referred to Family Centered Community Support Services[2]

24.9%
INCREASED

South Carolina 21.2%

Percent of intakes where no action was taken

27.4%
INCREASED

South Carolina 25.0%

ALL CHILDREN IN FOUNDED INVESTIGATIONS
Rate per 1,000

14.8
INCREASED

South Carolina	14.2
County Ranking	↓22

Children ages 0-6
Rate per 1,000

16.8
INCREASED

South Carolina	23.1
County Ranking	↓ 9

Ages 7-12
Rate per 1,000

17.5
INCREASED

South Carolina	12.2
County Ranking	↓38

Ages 13-17
Rate per 1,000

10.2
INCREASED

South Carolina	8.5
County Ranking	↓29

Age unknown

0
N/A

South Carolina	0
County Ranking	N/A

ALL TYPES OF ABUSE[3]
Rate per 1,000

6.2
INCREASED

South Carolina	3.3
County Ranking	↓39

Physical abuse[4]
Rate per 10,000

45.7
INCREASED

South Carolina	23.3
County Ranking	↓43

Sexual abuse[5]
Rate per 10,000

4.2
DECREASED

South Carolina	5.0
County Ranking	↑16

Emotional abuse
Rate per 10,000

12.5
INCREASED

South Carolina	4.5
County Ranking	↓35

Human trafficking[6]
Rate per 100,000

0
DECREASED

South Carolina	11.2
County Ranking	↑ 1

ALL TYPES OF NEGLECT[7]
Rate per 1,000

7.7
INCREASED

South Carolina	8.2
County Ranking	↓15

Physical neglect
Rate per 1,000

7.1
INCREASED

South Carolina	6.7
County Ranking	↓20

Medical neglect
Rate per 10,000

2.1
INCREASED

South Carolina	2.4
County Ranking	↓24

Educational neglect
Rate per 10,000

4.2
INCREASED

South Carolina	10.6
County Ranking	↓11

Substantial risk for injury[8]
Rate per 1,000

4.2
INCREASED

South Carolina	4.5
County Ranking	↓27

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RANK 10 ↑

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AIKEN COUNTY

Children under 18 years of age (2021)	
Aiken County	36,366
South Carolina	1,114,257

INTAKES
Rate per 100 families[1]

14.6
INCREASED

South Carolina 13.2

Percent of intakes investigated

56.3%
INCREASED

South Carolina 53.8%

Percent of investigations substantiated

18.1%
DECREASED

South Carolina 25.3%

Percent of intakes referred to Family Centered Community Support Services[2]

20.9%
DECREASED

South Carolina 21.2%

Percent of intakes where no action was taken

22.8%
INCREASED

South Carolina 25.0%

ALL CHILDREN IN FOUNDED INVESTIGATIONS
Rate per 1,000

11.1
DECREASED

South Carolina 14.2
County Ranking ↑ 9

Children ages 0-6
Rate per 1,000

15.1
DECREASED

South Carolina 23.1
County Ranking ↑ 8

Ages 7-12
Rate per 1,000

9.4
DECREASED

South Carolina 12.2
County Ranking ↑ 9

Ages 13-17
Rate per 1,000

9.1
INCREASED

South Carolina 8.5
County Ranking ↓ 27

Age unknown

0
N/A

South Carolina 0
County Ranking N/A

ALL TYPES OF ABUSE[3]
Rate per 1,000

2.6
DECREASED

South Carolina 3.3
County Ranking ↑ 11

Physical abuse[4]
Rate per 10,000

18.4
DECREASED

South Carolina 23.3
County Ranking ↑ 15

Sexual abuse[5]
Rate per 10,000

5.8
INCREASED

South Carolina 5.0
County Ranking ↓ 25

Emotional abuse
Rate per 10,000

1.6
DECREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↑ 16

Human trafficking[6]
Rate per 100,000

24.7
INCREASED

South Carolina 11.2
County Ranking ↓ 41

ALL TYPES OF NEGLECT[7]
Rate per 1,000

7.8
INCREASED

South Carolina 8.2
County Ranking ↑ 16

Physical neglect
Rate per 1,000

6
DECREASED

South Carolina 6.7
County Ranking ↑ 12

Medical neglect
Rate per 10,000

1.4
INCREASED

South Carolina 2.4
County Ranking ↓ 17

Educational neglect
Rate per 10,000

12.4
DECREASED

South Carolina 10.6
County Ranking ↓ 31

Substantial risk for injury[8]
Rate per 1,000

1.7
DECREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↑ 12

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AIKEN COUNTY

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RANK 7 ↑

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ALLENDALE COUNTY

Children under 18 years of age (2021)	
Allendale County	**1,564**
South Carolina	1,114,257

INTAKES
Rate per 100 families[1]

12.4
DECREASED

South Carolina 13.2

Percent of intakes investigated

66.1%
INCREASED

South Carolina 53.8%

Percent of investigations substantiated

22.0%
INCREASED

South Carolina 25.3%

Percent of intakes referred to Family Centered Community Support Services[2]

21.0%
DECREASED

South Carolina 21.2%

Percent of intakes where no action was taken

12.9%
DECREASED

South Carolina 25.0%

ALL CHILDREN IN FOUNDED INVESTIGATIONS
Rate per 1,000

10.2
DECREASED

South Carolina 14.2
County Ranking ↑ 7

Children ages 0-6
Rate per 1,000

14.5
DECREASED

South Carolina 23.1
County Ranking ↑ 7

Ages 7-12
Rate per 1,000

9.3
UNCHANGED

South Carolina 12.2
County Ranking ↑ 8

Ages 13-17
Rate per 1,000

7.4
DECREASED

South Carolina 8.5
County Ranking ↑ 14

Age unknown

0
N/A

South Carolina 0
County Ranking N/A

ALL TYPES OF ABUSE[3]
Rate per 1,000

3.8
INCREASED

South Carolina 3.3
County Ranking ↓ 24

Physical abuse[4]
Rate per 10,000

25.6
UNCHANGED

South Carolina 23.3
County Ranking ↑ 28

Sexual abuse[5]
Rate per 10,000

6.4
DECREASED

South Carolina 5.0
County Ranking ↑ 30

Emotional abuse
Rate per 10,000

6.4
INCREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↓ 27

Human trafficking[6]
Rate per 100,000

0
UNCHANGED

South Carolina 11.2
County Ranking = 1

ALL TYPES OF NEGLECT[7]
Rate per 1,000

8.3
DECREASED

South Carolina 8.2
County Ranking ↑ 18

Physical neglect
Rate per 1,000

7.7
DECREASED

South Carolina 6.7
County Ranking ↑ 21

Medical neglect
Rate per 10,000

0
UNCHANGED

South Carolina 2.4
County Ranking = 1

Educational neglect
Rate per 10,000

0
UNCHANGED

South Carolina 10.6
County Ranking = 1

Substantial risk for injury[8]
Rate per 1,000

0.6
INCREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↓ 5

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RANK 25 ↓

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ANDERSON COUNTY

Children under 18 years of age (2021)	
Anderson County	**46,485**
South Carolina	1,114,257

INTAKES
Rate per 100 families[1]

16.9
INCREASED

South Carolina 13.2

Percent of intakes investigated

53.7%
DECREASED

South Carolina 53.8%

Percent of investigations substantiated

25.6%
INCREASED

South Carolina 25.3%

Percent of intakes referred to Family Centered Community Support Services[2]

22.0%
INCREASED

South Carolina 21.2%

Percent of intakes where no action was taken

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INCREASED

South Carolina 25.0%

ALL CHILDREN IN FOUNDED INVESTIGATIONS
Rate per 1,000

16.3
DECREASED

South Carolina 14.2
County Ranking ↑ 28

Children ages 0-6
Rate per 1,000

30.5
DECREASED

South Carolina 23.1
County Ranking ↑ 33

Ages 7-12
Rate per 1,000

11.8
DECREASED

South Carolina 12.2
County Ranking ↑ 19

Ages 13-17
Rate per 1,000

8.9
INCREASED

South Carolina 8.5
County Ranking ↓ 25

Age unknown

0
N/A

South Carolina 0
County Ranking N/A

ALL TYPES OF ABUSE[3]
Rate per 1,000

3.9
DECREASED

South Carolina 3.3
County Ranking = 26

Physical abuse[4]
Rate per 10,000

29.5
DECREASED

South Carolina 23.3
County Ranking ↑ 32

Sexual abuse[5]
Rate per 10,000

8
INCREASED

South Carolina 5.0
County Ranking ↓ 38

Emotional abuse
Rate per 10,000

1.5
INCREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↓ 13

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Rate per 100,000

10.8
INCREASED

South Carolina 11.2
County Ranking ↓ 29

ALL TYPES OF NEGLECT[7]
Rate per 1,000

9
DECREASED

South Carolina 8.2
County Ranking ↑ 22

Physical neglect
Rate per 1,000

8.2
DECREASED

South Carolina 6.7
County Ranking ↑ 24

Medical neglect
Rate per 10,000

1.1
DECREASED

South Carolina 2.4
County Ranking ↑ 14

Educational neglect
Rate per 10,000

6.2
DECREASED

South Carolina 10.6
County Ranking ↑ 17

Substantial risk for injury[8]
Rate per 1,000

4.5
DECREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↑ 30

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ANDERSON COUNTY

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RANK 19 ↑

2021-2022 South Carolina Child Maltreatment Data Profile

BAMBERG COUNTY

Children under 18 years of age (2021)	
Bamberg County	**2,431**
South Carolina	1,114,257

INTAKES
Rate per 100 families[1]

13.6
INCREASED

South Carolina 13.2

Percent of intakes investigated

58.6%
DECREASED

South Carolina 53.8%

Percent of investigations substantiated

29.5%
DECREASED

South Carolina 25.3%

Percent of intakes referred to Family Centered Community Support Services[2]

19.5%
DECREASED

South Carolina 21.2%

Percent of intakes where no action was taken

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South Carolina 25.0%

ALL CHILDREN IN FOUNDED INVESTIGATIONS
Rate per 1,000

14.4
DECREASED

South Carolina 14.2
County Ranking ↑ 20

Children ages 0-6
Rate per 1,000

21.3
DECREASED

South Carolina 23.1
County Ranking ↑ 17

Ages 7-12
Rate per 1,000

15.5
DECREASED

South Carolina 12.2
County Ranking ↑ 31

Ages 13-17
Rate per 1,000

7.1
DECREASED

South Carolina 8.5
County Ranking ↑ 12

Age unknown

0
N/A

South Carolina 0
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ALL TYPES OF ABUSE[3]
Rate per 1,000

2.5
INCREASED

South Carolina 3.3
County Ranking ↓ 9

Physical abuse[4]
Rate per 10,000

12.3
DECREASED

South Carolina 23.3
County Ranking ↑ 7

Sexual abuse[5]
Rate per 10,000

4.1
INCREASED

South Carolina 5.0
County Ranking ↑ 15

Emotional abuse
Rate per 10,000

8.2
INCREASED

South Carolina 4.5
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Human trafficking[6]
Rate per 100,000

0
UNCHANGED

South Carolina 11.2
County Ranking = 1

ALL TYPES OF NEGLECT[7]
Rate per 1,000

13.2
DECREASED

South Carolina 8.2
County Ranking ↑ 37

Physical neglect
Rate per 1,000

11.5
DECREASED

South Carolina 6.7
County Ranking ↑ 38

Medical neglect
Rate per 10,000

4.1
UNCHANGED

South Carolina 2.4
County Ranking ↓ 35

Educational neglect
Rate per 10,000

12.3
DECREASED

South Carolina 10.6
County Ranking ↑ 30

Substantial risk for injury[8]
Rate per 1,000

0
UNCHANGED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking = 1

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RANK 5↓

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BARNWELL COUNTY

Children under 18 years of age (2021)	
Barnwell County	**4,924**
South Carolina	1,114,257

INTAKES
Rate per 100 families[1]

18.3
DECREASED

South Carolina 13.2

Percent of intakes investigated

50.5%
INCREASED

South Carolina 53.8%

Percent of investigations substantiated

13.8%
DECREASED

South Carolina 25.3%

Percent of intakes referred to Family Centered Community Support Services[2]

27.9%
INCREASED

South Carolina 21.2%

Percent of intakes where no action was taken

21.6%
DECREASED

South Carolina 25.0%

ALL CHILDREN IN FOUNDED INVESTIGATIONS
Rate per 1,000

7.3
DECREASED

South Carolina 14.2
County Ranking ↑ 3

Children ages 0-6
Rate per 1,000

14.5
DECREASED

South Carolina 23.1
County Ranking ↑ 6

Ages 7-12
Rate per 1,000

3.5
DECREASED

South Carolina 12.2
County Ranking ↑ 1

Ages 13-17
Rate per 1,000

4.7
DECREASED

South Carolina 8.5
County Ranking ↑ 5

Age unknown

0
N/A

South Carolina 0
County Ranking N/A

ALL TYPES OF ABUSE[3]
Rate per 1,000

3
INCREASED

South Carolina 3.3
County Ranking ↓15

Physical abuse[4]
Rate per 10,000

16.2
UNCHANGED

South Carolina 23.3
County Ranking ↑ 9

Sexual abuse[5]
Rate per 10,000

2
DECREASED

South Carolina 5.0
County Ranking ↑ 9

Emotional abuse
Rate per 10,000

12.2
INCREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↓33

Human trafficking[6]
Rate per 100,000

20.3
INCREASED

South Carolina 11.2
County Ranking ↓40

ALL TYPES OF NEGLECT[7]
Rate per 1,000

5.1
DECREASED

South Carolina 8.2
County Ranking ↑ 4

Physical neglect
Rate per 1,000

3.9
DECREASED

South Carolina 6.7
County Ranking ↑ 3

Medical neglect
Rate per 10,000

0
UNCHANGED

South Carolina 2.4
County Ranking = 1

Educational neglect
Rate per 10,000

0
DECREASED

South Carolina 10.6
County Ranking ↑ 1

Substantial risk for injury[8]
Rate per 1,000

0
UNCHANGED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking = 1

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RANK 4↓

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BEAUFORT COUNTY

Children under 18 years of age (2021)

Beaufort County	**34,247**
South Carolina	1,114,257

INTAKES
Rate per 100 families[1]

10.9
INCREASED

South Carolina 13.2

Percent of intakes investigated

48.5%
DECREASED

South Carolina 53.8%

Percent of investigations substantiated

15.9%
DECREASED

South Carolina 25.3%

Percent of intakes referred to Family Centered Community Support Services[2]

24.6%
DECREASED

South Carolina 21.2%

Percent of intakes where no action was taken

26.9%
INCREASED

South Carolina 25.0%

ALL CHILDREN IN FOUNDED INVESTIGATIONS
Rate per 1,000

6.1
DECREASED

South Carolina 14.2
County Ranking = 1

Children ages 0-6
Rate per 1,000

10.2
DECREASED

South Carolina 23.1
County Ranking = 1

Ages 7-12
Rate per 1,000

5.1
INCREASED

South Carolina 12.2
County Ranking ↓ 2

Ages 13-17
Rate per 1,000

3.5
DECREASED

South Carolina 8.5
County Ranking ↑ 2

Age unknown

0
N/A

South Carolina 0
County Ranking N/A

ALL TYPES OF ABUSE[3]
Rate per 1,000

2.1
INCREASED

South Carolina 3.3
County Ranking ↓6

Physical abuse[4]
Rate per 10,000

6.1
DECREASED

South Carolina 23.3
County Ranking = 1

Sexual abuse[5]
Rate per 10,000

2.9
INCREASED

South Carolina 5.0
County Ranking ↑11

Emotional abuse
Rate per 10,000

12.3
INCREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↓34

Human trafficking[6]
Rate per 100,000

8.8
INCREASED

South Carolina 11.2
County Ranking ↓26

ALL TYPES OF NEGLECT[7]
Rate per 1,000

4.2
INCREASED

South Carolina 8.2
County Ranking = 1

Physical neglect
Rate per 1,000

2.7
INCREASED

South Carolina 6.7
County Ranking = 1

Medical neglect
Rate per 10,000

6.4
INCREASED

South Carolina 2.4
County Ranking ↓38

Educational neglect
Rate per 10,000

6.7
DECREASED

South Carolina 10.6
County Ranking ↑19

Substantial risk for injury[8]
Rate per 1,000

0.9
DECREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↑ 8

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RANK 6↓

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BERKELEY COUNTY

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Berkeley County	**55,416**
South Carolina	1,114,257

INTAKES
Rate per 100 families[1]

10.8
INCREASED

South Carolina 13.2

Percent of intakes investigated

52.9%
DECREASED

South Carolina 53.8%

Percent of investigations substantiated

20.4%
INCREASED

South Carolina 25.3%

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22.9%
DECREASED

South Carolina 21.2%

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INCREASED

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ALL CHILDREN IN FOUNDED INVESTIGATIONS
Rate per 1,000

9.3
INCREASED

South Carolina 14.2
County Ranking = 6

Children ages 0-6
Rate per 1,000

13.5
INCREASED

South Carolina 23.1
County Ranking = 4

Ages 7-12
Rate per 1,000

8.1
DECREASED

South Carolina 12.2
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Ages 13-17
Rate per 1,000

7.3
INCREASED

South Carolina 8.5
County Ranking ↓13

Age unknown

0
N/A

South Carolina 0
County Ranking N/A

ALL TYPES OF ABUSE[3]
Rate per 1,000

2.5
INCREASED

South Carolina 3.3
County Ranking ↓10

Physical abuse[4]
Rate per 10,000

19.5
INCREASED

South Carolina 23.3
County Ranking ↓18

Sexual abuse[5]
Rate per 10,000

4.5
INCREASED

South Carolina 5.0
County Ranking ↓19

Emotional abuse
Rate per 10,000

0.9
DECREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↑12

Human trafficking[6]
Rate per 100,000

7.2
UNCHANGED

South Carolina 11.2
County Ranking ↑25

ALL TYPES OF NEGLECT[7]
Rate per 1,000

5.6
INCREASED

South Carolina 8.2
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Physical neglect
Rate per 1,000

4.2
DECREASED

South Carolina 6.7
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Medical neglect
Rate per 10,000

1.6
INCREASED

South Carolina 2.4
County Ranking ↓20

Educational neglect
Rate per 10,000

11
INCREASED

South Carolina 10.6
County Ranking ↓27

Substantial risk for injury[8]
Rate per 1,000

2.7
INCREASED

South Carolina 4.5
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RANK
9 ↑

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CALHOUN COUNTY

Children under 18 years of age (2021)	
Calhoun County	**2,693**
South Carolina	1,114,257

INTAKES
Rate per 100 families[1]

11.5
INCREASED

South Carolina 13.2

Percent of intakes investigated

55.0%
DECREASED

South Carolina 53.8%

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ALL CHILDREN IN FOUNDED INVESTIGATIONS
Rate per 1,000

13
DECREASED

South Carolina	14.2
County Ranking	↑ 14

Children ages 0-6
Rate per 1,000

19.2
DECREASED

South Carolina	23.1
County Ranking	↑ 13

Ages 7-12
Rate per 1,000

11.9
INCREASED

South Carolina	12.2
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Ages 13-17
Rate per 1,000

8.6
DECREASED

South Carolina	8.5
County Ranking	↑ 24

Age unknown

0
N/A

South Carolina	0
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ALL TYPES OF ABUSE[3]
Rate per 1,000

2.6
DECREASED

South Carolina	3.3
County Ranking	↑ 12

Physical abuse[4]
Rate per 10,000

11.1
DECREASED

South Carolina	23.3
County Ranking	↑ 3

Sexual abuse[5]
Rate per 10,000

7.4
INCREASED

South Carolina	5.0
County Ranking	↑ 36

Emotional abuse
Rate per 10,000

7.4
DECREASED

South Carolina	4.5
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Human trafficking[6]
Rate per 100,000

0
UNCHANGED

South Carolina	11.2
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ALL TYPES OF NEGLECT[7]
Rate per 1,000

9.3
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South Carolina	8.2
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Physical neglect
Rate per 1,000

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County Ranking	↑ 29

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Rate per 10,000

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South Carolina	2.4
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Substantial risk for injury[8]
Rate per 1,000

1.5
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South Carolina	4.5
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RANK 36↓

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CHARLESTON COUNTY

Children under 18 years of age (2021)	
Charleston County	**79,832**
South Carolina	1,114,257

INTAKES
Rate per 100 families[1]

12.3
INCREASED

South Carolina 13.2

Percent of intakes investigated

46.9%
DECREASED

South Carolina 53.8%

Percent of investigations substantiated

38.8%
INCREASED

South Carolina 25.3%

Percent of intakes referred to Family Centered Community Support Services[2]

19.3%
DECREASED

South Carolina 21.2%

Percent of intakes where no action was taken

33.9%
INCREASED

South Carolina 25.0%

ALL CHILDREN IN FOUNDED INVESTIGATIONS
Rate per 1,000

20.2
INCREASED

South Carolina 14.2
County Ranking ↓35

Children ages 0-6
Rate per 1,000

29.2
INCREASED

South Carolina 23.1
County Ranking ↓30

Ages 7-12
Rate per 1,000

19.1
INCREASED

South Carolina 12.2
County Ranking ↓40

Ages 13-17
Rate per 1,000

12.3
INCREASED

South Carolina 8.5
County Ranking ↓36

Age unknown

0
N/A

South Carolina 0
County Ranking N/A

ALL TYPES OF ABUSE[3]
Rate per 1,000

3.4
INCREASED

South Carolina 3.3
County Ranking ↓22

Physical abuse[4]
Rate per 10,000

23.3
INCREASED

South Carolina 23.3
County Ranking ↓25

Sexual abuse[5]
Rate per 10,000

5.6
INCREASED

South Carolina 5.0
County Ranking ↓24

Emotional abuse
Rate per 10,000

5.5
DECREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↑25

Human trafficking[6]
Rate per 100,000

20
INCREASED

South Carolina 11.2
County Ranking ↓39

ALL TYPES OF NEGLECT[7]
Rate per 1,000

12.1
INCREASED

South Carolina 8.2
County Ranking =32

Physical neglect
Rate per 1,000

9.7
INCREASED

South Carolina 6.7
County Ranking ↓31

Medical neglect
Rate per 10,000

7.3
DECREASED

South Carolina 2.4
County Ranking ↑40

Educational neglect
Rate per 10,000

13
DECREASED

South Carolina 10.6
County Ranking ↑32

Substantial risk for injury[8]
Rate per 1,000

10.1
INCREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↓45

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CHARLESTON COUNTY

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RANK 41 ↑

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CHEROKEE COUNTY

Children under 18 years of age (2021)

Cherokee County	**12,887**
South Carolina	1,114,257

INTAKES
Rate per 100 families[1]

25.6
INCREASED

South Carolina 13.2

Percent of intakes investigated

54.3%
DECREASED

South Carolina 53.8%

Percent of investigations substantiated

26.4%
DECREASED

South Carolina 25.3%

Percent of intakes referred to Family Centered Community Support Services[2]

20.8%
DECREASED

South Carolina 21.2%

Percent of intakes where no action was taken

24.9%
INCREASED

South Carolina 25.0%

ALL CHILDREN IN FOUNDED INVESTIGATIONS
Rate per 1,000

23.1
DECREASED

South Carolina 14.2
County Ranking ↑ 40

Children ages 0-6
Rate per 1,000

33.8
DECREASED

South Carolina 23.1
County Ranking ↑ 37

Ages 7-12
Rate per 1,000

17.9
DECREASED

South Carolina 12.2
County Ranking ↑ 39

Ages 13-17
Rate per 1,000

18.3
INCREASED

South Carolina 8.5
County Ranking ↓ 44

Age unknown

0
N/A

South Carolina 0
County Ranking N/A

ALL TYPES OF ABUSE[3]
Rate per 1,000

4.1
DECREASED

South Carolina 3.3
County Ranking ↑ 30

Physical abuse[4]
Rate per 10,000

29.5
DECREASED

South Carolina 23.3
County Ranking ↑ 33

Sexual abuse[5]
Rate per 10,000

7.8
INCREASED

South Carolina 5.0
County Ranking ↓ 37

Emotional abuse
Rate per 10,000

3.9
DECREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↓ 22

Human trafficking[6]
Rate per 100,000

31
INCREASED

South Carolina 11.2
County Ranking ↓ 43

ALL TYPES OF NEGLECT[7]
Rate per 1,000

16.5
DECREASED

South Carolina 8.2
County Ranking ↓ 42

Physical neglect
Rate per 1,000

13.1
DECREASED

South Carolina 6.7
County Ranking ↓ 41

Medical neglect
Rate per 10,000

5.4
DECREASED

South Carolina 2.4
County Ranking ↑ 37

Educational neglect
Rate per 10,000

24.8
DECREASED

South Carolina 10.6
County Ranking = 42

Substantial risk for injury[8]
Rate per 1,000

7.7
DECREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↑ 44

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CHEROKEE COUNTY

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RANK 46 ↓

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CHESTER COUNTY

Children under 18 years of age (2021)	
Chester County	**7,347**
South Carolina	1,114,257

INTAKES
Rate per 100 families[1]

20.3
DECREASED

South Carolina 13.2

Percent of intakes investigated

58.7%
INCREASED

South Carolina 53.8%

Percent of investigations substantiated

40.2%
INCREASED

South Carolina 25.3%

Percent of intakes referred to Family Centered Community Support Services[2]

20.8%
DECREASED

South Carolina 21.2%

Percent of intakes where no action was taken

20.6%
DECREASED

South Carolina 25.0%

ALL CHILDREN IN FOUNDED INVESTIGATIONS
Rate per 1,000

29.3
INCREASED

South Carolina 14.2
County Ranking ↓ 44

Children ages 0-6
Rate per 1,000

45
INCREASED

South Carolina 23.1
County Ranking ↓ 43

Ages 7-12
Rate per 1,000

27.4
DECREASED

South Carolina 12.2
County Ranking ↑ 44

Ages 13-17
Rate per 1,000

16.9
INCREASED

South Carolina 8.5
County Ranking ↓ 43

Age unknown

0
N/A

South Carolina 0
County Ranking N/A

ALL TYPES OF ABUSE[3]
Rate per 1,000

14.6
INCREASED

South Carolina 3.3
County Ranking ↓ 46

Physical abuse[4]
Rate per 10,000

106.2
INCREASED

South Carolina 23.3
County Ranking = 46

Sexual abuse[5]
Rate per 10,000

15
INCREASED

South Carolina 5.0
County Ranking ↓ 44

Emotional abuse
Rate per 10,000

24.5
INCREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↓ 42

Human trafficking[6]
Rate per 100,000

13.6
INCREASED

South Carolina 11.2
County Ranking ↓ 32

ALL TYPES OF NEGLECT[7]
Rate per 1,000

16.6
DECREASED

South Carolina 8.2
County Ranking = 43

Physical neglect
Rate per 1,000

13.6
DECREASED

South Carolina 6.7
County Ranking ↑ 42

Medical neglect
Rate per 10,000

9.5
INCREASED

South Carolina 2.4
County Ranking ↑ 42

Educational neglect
Rate per 10,000

9.5
DECREASED

South Carolina 10.6
County Ranking ↑ 23

Substantial risk for injury[8]
Rate per 1,000

0
UNCHANGED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking = 1

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CHESTER COUNTY

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RANK 21 ↓

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CHESTERFIELD COUNTY

Children under 18 years of age (2021)	
Chesterfield County	**9,575**
South Carolina	1,114,257

INTAKES
Rate per 100 families[1]

12.8
DECREASED

South Carolina 13.2

Percent of intakes investigated

60.1%
INCREASED

South Carolina 53.8%

Percent of investigations substantiated

30.7%
INCREASED

South Carolina 25.3%

Percent of intakes referred to Family Centered Community Support Services[2]

23.1%
DECREASED

South Carolina 21.2%

Percent of intakes where no action was taken

16.8%
INCREASED

South Carolina 25.0%

ALL CHILDREN IN FOUNDED INVESTIGATIONS
Rate per 1,000

15.8
INCREASED

South Carolina 14.2
County Ranking ↓ 25

Children ages 0-6
Rate per 1,000

33
INCREASED

South Carolina 23.1
County Ranking ↓ 35

Ages 7-12
Rate per 1,000

10.8
INCREASED

South Carolina 12.2
County Ranking ↓ 17

Ages 13-17
Rate per 1,000

5.6
INCREASED

South Carolina 8.5
County Ranking = 7

Age unknown

0
N/A

South Carolina 0
County Ranking N/A

ALL TYPES OF ABUSE[3]
Rate per 1,000

6.4
INCREASED

South Carolina 3.3
County Ranking ↓ 40

Physical abuse[4]
Rate per 10,000

55.4
INCREASED

South Carolina 23.3
County Ranking ↓ 44

Sexual abuse[5]
Rate per 10,000

2.1
INCREASED

South Carolina 5.0
County Ranking ↑ 10

Emotional abuse
Rate per 10,000

6.3
INCREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↓ 26

Human trafficking[6]
Rate per 100,000

0
UNCHANGED

South Carolina 11.2
County Ranking = 1

ALL TYPES OF NEGLECT[7]
Rate per 1,000

8.5
INCREASED

South Carolina 8.2
County Ranking ↓ 19

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Rate per 1,000

8.1
INCREASED

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County Ranking ↓ 23

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Rate per 10,000

3.1
INCREASED

South Carolina 2.4
County Ranking ↓ 32

Educational neglect
Rate per 10,000

0
UNCHANGED

South Carolina 10.6
County Ranking = 1

Substantial risk for injury[8]
Rate per 1,000

1
DECREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↑ 9

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CHESTERFIELD COUNTY

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RANK 20 ↑

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CLARENDON COUNTY

Children under 18 years of age (2021)	
Clarendon County	5,826
South Carolina	1,114,257

INTAKES
Rate per 100 families[1]

14.8
INCREASED

South Carolina 13.2

Percent of intakes investigated

55.0%
DECREASED

South Carolina 53.8%

Percent of investigations substantiated

42.3%
DECREASED

South Carolina 25.3%

Percent of intakes referred to Family Centered Community Support Services[2]

26.1%
INCREASED

South Carolina 21.2%

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ALL CHILDREN IN FOUNDED INVESTIGATIONS
Rate per 1,000

15.1
INCREASED

South Carolina	14.2
County Ranking	↑ 23

Children ages 0-6
Rate per 1,000

27.8
INCREASED

South Carolina	23.1
County Ranking	↓ 27

Ages 7-12
Rate per 1,000

11
INCREASED

South Carolina	12.2
County Ranking	↓ 18

Ages 13-17
Rate per 1,000

7.9
DECREASED

South Carolina	8.5
County Ranking	↑ 19

Age unknown

0
N/A

South Carolina	0
County Ranking	N/A

ALL TYPES OF ABUSE[3]
Rate per 1,000

2.1
DECREASED

South Carolina	3.3
County Ranking	↑ 5

Physical abuse[4]
Rate per 10,000

18.9
DECREASED

South Carolina	23.3
County Ranking	↑ 17

Sexual abuse[5]
Rate per 10,000

1.7
DECREASED

South Carolina	5.0
County Ranking	↑ 6

Emotional abuse
Rate per 10,000

0
DECREASED

South Carolina	4.5
County Ranking	↑ 1

Human trafficking[6]
Rate per 100,000

0
UNCHANGED

South Carolina	11.2
County Ranking	= 1

ALL TYPES OF NEGLECT[7]
Rate per 1,000

12.9
DECREASED

South Carolina	8.2
County Ranking	↑ 35

Physical neglect
Rate per 1,000

9.6
DECREASED

South Carolina	6.7
County Ranking	↑ 30

Medical neglect
Rate per 10,000

3.4
UNCHANGED

South Carolina	2.4
County Ranking	↓ 34

Educational neglect
Rate per 10,000

20.6
UNCHANGED

South Carolina	10.6
County Ranking	↓ 41

Substantial risk for injury[8]
Rate per 1,000

2.7
DECREASED

South Carolina	4.5
County Ranking	↑ 22

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RANK 35 ↑

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COLLETON COUNTY

Children under 18 years of age (2021)	
Colleton County	**8,796**
South Carolina	1,114,257

INTAKES
Rate per 100 families[1]

15
INCREASED

South Carolina 13.2

Percent of intakes investigated

54.2%
DECREASED

South Carolina 53.8%

Percent of investigations substantiated

32.3%
DECREASED

South Carolina 25.3%

Percent of intakes referred to Family Centered Community Support Services[2]

19.0%
DECREASED

South Carolina 21.2%

Percent of intakes where no action was taken

26.8%
INCREASED

South Carolina 25.0%

ALL CHILDREN IN FOUNDED INVESTIGATIONS
Rate per 1,000

20.6
DECREASED

South Carolina 14.2
County Ranking ↑ 36

Children ages 0-6
Rate per 1,000

38
UNCHANGED

South Carolina 23.1
County Ranking = 39

Ages 7-12
Rate per 1,000

16.2
DECREASED

South Carolina 12.2
County Ranking ↑ 34

Ages 13-17
Rate per 1,000

10.7
DECREASED

South Carolina 8.5
County Ranking ↑ 31

Age unknown

0
N/A

South Carolina 0
County Ranking N/A

ALL TYPES OF ABUSE[3]
Rate per 1,000

5
DECREASED

South Carolina 3.3
County Ranking ↑ 36

Physical abuse[4]
Rate per 10,000

30.7
UNCHANGED

South Carolina 23.3
County Ranking ↓ 35

Sexual abuse[5]
Rate per 10,000

10.2
INCREASED

South Carolina 5.0
County Ranking ↓ 42

Emotional abuse
Rate per 10,000

9.1
DECREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↑ 31

Human trafficking[6]
Rate per 100,000

0
UNCHANGED

South Carolina 11.2
County Ranking = 1

ALL TYPES OF NEGLECT[7]
Rate per 1,000

13
DECREASED

South Carolina 8.2
County Ranking ↑ 36

Physical neglect
Rate per 1,000

11.5
DECREASED

South Carolina 6.7
County Ranking ↑ 37

Medical neglect
Rate per 10,000

0
DECREASED

South Carolina 2.4
County Ranking ↑ 1

Educational neglect
Rate per 10,000

13.6
DECREASED

South Carolina 10.6
County Ranking ↑ 34

Substantial risk for injury[8]
Rate per 1,000

5.2
INCREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↓ 38

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DARLINGTON COUNTY

Children under 18 years of age (2021)	
Darlington County	13,950
South Carolina	1,114,257

INTAKES
Rate per 100 families[1]

13.3
INCREASED

South Carolina 13.2

Percent of intakes investigated

58.6%
DECREASED

South Carolina 53.8%

Percent of investigations substantiated

41.9%
INCREASED

South Carolina 25.3%

Percent of intakes referred to Family Centered Community Support Services[2]

21.3%
DECREASED

South Carolina 21.2%

Percent of intakes where no action was taken

20.1%
INCREASED

South Carolina 25.0%

ALL CHILDREN IN FOUNDED INVESTIGATIONS
Rate per 1,000

30.9
INCREASED

South Carolina 14.2
County Ranking ↓ 45

Children ages 0-6
Rate per 1,000

52.7
INCREASED

South Carolina 23.1
County Ranking ↓ 45

Ages 7-12
Rate per 1,000

28.1
INCREASED

South Carolina 12.2
County Ranking ↓ 45

Ages 13-17
Rate per 1,000

13.6
UNCHANGED

South Carolina 8.5
County Ranking ↓ 40

Age unknown

0
N/A

South Carolina 0
County Ranking N/A

ALL TYPES OF ABUSE[3]
Rate per 1,000

8.9
INCREASED

South Carolina 3.3
County Ranking ↓ 45

Physical abuse[4]
Rate per 10,000

81.7
INCREASED

South Carolina 23.3
County Ranking = 45

Sexual abuse[5]
Rate per 10,000

7.2
INCREASED

South Carolina 5.0
County Ranking ↓ 34

Emotional abuse
Rate per 10,000

0
DECREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↑ 1

Human trafficking[6]
Rate per 100,000

0
DECREASED

South Carolina 11.2
County Ranking ↑ 1

ALL TYPES OF NEGLECT[7]
Rate per 1,000

21.5
INCREASED

South Carolina 8.2
County Ranking ↓ 46

Physical neglect
Rate per 1,000

17.1
INCREASED

South Carolina 6.7
County Ranking ↓ 46

Medical neglect
Rate per 10,000

2.2
DECREASED

South Carolina 2.4
County Ranking ↑ 25

Educational neglect
Rate per 10,000

38.7
INCREASED

South Carolina 10.6
County Ranking ↓ 45

Substantial risk for injury[8]
Rate per 1,000

4.7
DECREASED

South Carolina 4.5
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RANK 33 ↑

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DILLON COUNTY

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Dillon County	7,205
South Carolina	1,114,257

INTAKES
Rate per 100 families[1]

15.9
INCREASED

South Carolina 13.2

Percent of intakes investigated

57.5%
DECREASED

South Carolina 53.8%

Percent of investigations substantiated

28.3%
DECREASED

South Carolina 25.3%

Percent of intakes referred to Family Centered Community Support Services[2]

23.4%
DECREASED

South Carolina 21.2%

Percent of intakes where no action was taken

19.1%
INCREASED

South Carolina 25.0%

ALL CHILDREN IN FOUNDED INVESTIGATIONS
Rate per 1,000

21.7
DECREASED

South Carolina 14.2
County Ranking ↓ 39

Children ages 0-6
Rate per 1,000

39.3
DECREASED

South Carolina 23.1
County Ranking ↓ 42

Ages 7-12
Rate per 1,000

16.4
DECREASED

South Carolina 12.2
County Ranking ↑ 35

Ages 13-17
Rate per 1,000

10.3
INCREASED

South Carolina 8.5
County Ranking ↑ 30

Age unknown

0
N/A

South Carolina 0
County Ranking N/A

ALL TYPES OF ABUSE[3]
Rate per 1,000

3.6
DECREASED

South Carolina 3.3
County Ranking ↑ 23

Physical abuse[4]
Rate per 10,000

31.9
DECREASED

South Carolina 23.3
County Ranking ↑ 37

Sexual abuse[5]
Rate per 10,000

4.2
INCREASED

South Carolina 5.0
County Ranking ↑ 17

Emotional abuse
Rate per 10,000

0
DECREASED

South Carolina 4.5
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Rate per 100,000

13.9
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South Carolina 11.2
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Rate per 1,000

14.2
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South Carolina 8.2
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2.8
UNCHANGED

South Carolina 2.4
County Ranking ↓ 29

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Rate per 10,000

4.2
INCREASED

South Carolina 10.6
County Ranking ↓ 12

Substantial risk for injury[8]
Rate per 1,000

7.2
INCREASED

South Carolina 4.5
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RANK 16 ↑

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DORCHESTER COUNTY

Children under 18 years of age (2021)	
Dorchester County	39,317
South Carolina	1,114,257

INTAKES
Rate per 100 families[1]

11.8
INCREASED

South Carolina 13.2

Percent of intakes investigated

52.4%
DECREASED

South Carolina 53.8%

Percent of investigations substantiated

29.5%
INCREASED

South Carolina 25.3%

Percent of intakes referred to Family Centered Community Support Services[2]

20.3%
DECREASED

South Carolina 21.2%

Percent of intakes where no action was taken

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ALL CHILDREN IN FOUNDED INVESTIGATIONS
Rate per 1,000

13.2
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South Carolina 14.2
County Ranking ↓ 16

Children ages 0-6
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Age unknown

0
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ALL TYPES OF ABUSE[3]
Rate per 1,000

4.1
UNCHANGED

South Carolina 3.3
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Physical abuse[4]
Rate per 10,000

17.3
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South Carolina 23.3
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RANK 1 ↑

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EDGEFIELD COUNTY

Children under 18 years of age (2021)	
Edgefield County	4,505
South Carolina	1,114,257

INTAKES
Rate per 100 families[1]

10.5
DECREASED

South Carolina 13.2

Percent of intakes investigated

58.6%
INCREASED

South Carolina 53.8%

Percent of investigations substantiated

18.5%
DECREASED

South Carolina 25.3%

Percent of intakes referred to Family Centered Community Support Services[2]

21.2%
DECREASED

South Carolina 21.2%

Percent of intakes where no action was taken

20.2%
INCREASED

South Carolina 25.0%

ALL CHILDREN IN FOUNDED INVESTIGATIONS
Rate per 1,000

6.9
DECREASED

South Carolina 14.2
County Ranking ↑ 2

Children ages 0-6
Rate per 1,000

11.5
DECREASED

South Carolina 23.1
County Ranking ↑ 2

Ages 7-12
Rate per 1,000

6.5
DECREASED

South Carolina 12.2
County Ranking ↑ 3

Ages 13-17
Rate per 1,000

3.2
DECREASED

South Carolina 8.5
County Ranking ↑ 1

Age unknown

0
N/A

South Carolina 0
County Ranking N/A

ALL TYPES OF ABUSE[3]
Rate per 1,000

2
DECREASED

South Carolina 3.3
County Ranking ↑ 4

Physical abuse[4]
Rate per 10,000

20
DECREASED

South Carolina 23.3
County Ranking ↑ 20

Sexual abuse[5]
Rate per 10,000

0
DECREASED

South Carolina 5.0
County Ranking ↑ 1

Emotional abuse
Rate per 10,000

0
DECREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↑ 1

Human trafficking[6]
Rate per 100,000

0
DECREASED

South Carolina 11.2
County Ranking ↑ 1

ALL TYPES OF NEGLECT[7]
Rate per 1,000

5.8
DECREASED

South Carolina 8.2
County Ranking ↑ 7

Physical neglect
Rate per 1,000

5.8
DECREASED

South Carolina 6.7
County Ranking ↑ 11

Medical neglect
Rate per 10,000

0
DECREASED

South Carolina 2.4
County Ranking ↑ 1

Educational neglect
Rate per 10,000

0
UNCHANGED

South Carolina 10.6
County Ranking = 1

Substantial risk for injury[8]
Rate per 1,000

0.7
DECREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↑ 6

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RANK 39 ↓

2021-2022 South Carolina Child Maltreatment Data Profile

FAIRFIELD COUNTY

Children under 18 years of age (2021)	
Fairfield County	3,892
South Carolina	1,114,257

INTAKES
Rate per 100 families[1]

22.3
INCREASED

South Carolina 13.2

Percent of intakes investigated

53.4%
DECREASED

South Carolina 53.8%

Percent of investigations substantiated

28.4%
INCREASED

South Carolina 25.3%

Percent of intakes referred to Family Centered Community Support Services[2]

18.6%
DECREASED

South Carolina 21.2%

Percent of intakes where no action was taken

27.9%
INCREASED

South Carolina 25.0%

ALL CHILDREN IN FOUNDED INVESTIGATIONS
Rate per 1,000

23.1
INCREASED

South Carolina 14.2
County Ranking ↓ 41

Children ages 0-6
Rate per 1,000

47.4
INCREASED

South Carolina 23.1
County Ranking ↓ 44

Ages 7-12
Rate per 1,000

15.7
INCREASED

South Carolina 12.2
County Ranking ↓ 33

Ages 13-17
Rate per 1,000

8.9
INCREASED

South Carolina 8.5
County Ranking ↓ 26

Age unknown

0
N/A

South Carolina 0
County Ranking N/A

ALL TYPES OF ABUSE[3]
Rate per 1,000

3.9
DECREASED

South Carolina 3.3
County Ranking ↑ 25

Physical abuse[4]
Rate per 10,000

23.1
DECREASED

South Carolina 23.3
County Ranking ↑ 24

Sexual abuse[5]
Rate per 10,000

0
DECREASED

South Carolina 5.0
County Ranking ↑ 1

Emotional abuse
Rate per 10,000

15.4
INCREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↓ 39

Human trafficking[6]
Rate per 100,000

0
UNCHANGED

South Carolina 11.2
County Ranking = 1

ALL TYPES OF NEGLECT[7]
Rate per 1,000

20
INCREASED

South Carolina 8.2
County Ranking ↓ 45

Physical neglect
Rate per 1,000

15.9
INCREASED

South Carolina 6.7
County Ranking ↓ 44

Medical neglect
Rate per 10,000

12.8
INCREASED

South Carolina 2.4
County Ranking ↓ 45

Educational neglect
Rate per 10,000

28.3
UNCHANGED

South Carolina 10.6
County Ranking ↓ 44

Substantial risk for injury[8]
Rate per 1,000

4.6
INCREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↓ 31

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FAIRFIELD COUNTY

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RANK 12 ↑

2021-2022 South Carolina Child Maltreatment Data Profile

FLORENCE COUNTY

Children under 18 years of age (2021)	
Florence County	32,394
South Carolina	1,114,257

INTAKES
Rate per 100 families[1]

15.2
INCREASED

South Carolina 13.2

Percent of intakes investigated

52.8%
DECREASED

South Carolina 53.8%

Percent of investigations substantiated

20.1%
DECREASED

South Carolina 25.3%

Percent of intakes referred to Family Centered Community Support Services[2]

24.2%
INCREASED

South Carolina 21.2%

Percent of intakes where no action was taken

23.0%
INCREASED

South Carolina 25.0%

ALL CHILDREN IN FOUNDED INVESTIGATIONS
Rate per 1,000

12.6
DECREASED

South Carolina 14.2
County Ranking ↑ 12

Children ages 0-6
Rate per 1,000

22.4
INCREASED

South Carolina 23.1
County Ranking ↓ 20

Ages 7-12
Rate per 1,000

10.6
DECREASED

South Carolina 12.2
County Ranking ↑ 16

Ages 13-17
Rate per 1,000

5.6
DECREASED

South Carolina 8.5
County Ranking ↑ 6

Age unknown

0
N/A

South Carolina 0
County Ranking N/A

ALL TYPES OF ABUSE[3]
Rate per 1,000

3.1
DECREASED

South Carolina 3.3
County Ranking ↑ 18

Physical abuse[4]
Rate per 10,000

24.7
INCREASED

South Carolina 23.3
County Ranking ↓ 26

Sexual abuse[5]
Rate per 10,000

4.9
INCREASED

South Carolina 5.0
County Ranking ↓ 20

Emotional abuse
Rate per 10,000

1.9
DECREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↑ 17

Human trafficking[6]
Rate per 100,000

9.3
INCREASED

South Carolina 11.2
County Ranking ↓ 27

ALL TYPES OF NEGLECT[7]
Rate per 1,000

7.5
DECREASED

South Carolina 8.2
County Ranking ↑ 12

Physical neglect
Rate per 1,000

5.4
DECREASED

South Carolina 6.7
County Ranking ↑ 9

Medical neglect
Rate per 10,000

3.1
DECREASED

South Carolina 2.4
County Ranking ↑ 30

Educational neglect
Rate per 10,000

14.8
DECREASED

South Carolina 10.6
County Ranking ↑ 36

Substantial risk for injury[8]
Rate per 1,000

3.2
DECREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↑ 24

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RANK 14 ↑

2021-2022 South Carolina Child Maltreatment Data Profile

GEORGETOWN COUNTY

Children under 18 years of age (2021)	
Georgetown County	11,209
South Carolina	1,114,257

INTAKES
Rate per 100 families[1]

12.9
INCREASED

South Carolina 13.2

Percent of intakes investigated

52.8%
DECREASED

South Carolina 53.8%

Percent of investigations substantiated

29.1%
DECREASED

South Carolina 25.3%

Percent of intakes referred to Family Centered Community Support Services[2]

22.3%
DECREASED

South Carolina 21.2%

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INCREASED

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ALL CHILDREN IN FOUNDED INVESTIGATIONS
Rate per 1,000

13.1
DECREASED

South Carolina	14.2
County Ranking	↑ 15

Children ages 0-6
Rate per 1,000

23.9
DECREASED

South Carolina	23.1
County Ranking	↑ 23

Ages 7-12
Rate per 1,000

9.9
DECREASED

South Carolina	12.2
County Ranking	↑ 13

Ages 13-17
Rate per 1,000

7.9
INCREASED

South Carolina	8.5
County Ranking	↓ 21

Age unknown

0
N/A

South Carolina	0
County Ranking	N/A

ALL TYPES OF ABUSE[3]
Rate per 1,000

2.8
INCREASED

South Carolina	3.3
County Ranking	↓ 14

Physical abuse[4]
Rate per 10,000

11.6
DECREASED

South Carolina	23.3
County Ranking	↑ 5

Sexual abuse[5]
Rate per 10,000

5.4
INCREASED

South Carolina	5.0
County Ranking	↑ 21

Emotional abuse
Rate per 10,000

10.7
INCREASED

South Carolina	4.5
County Ranking	↓ 32

Human trafficking[6]
Rate per 100,000

17.8
INCREASED

South Carolina	11.2
County Ranking	↓ 37

ALL TYPES OF NEGLECT[7]
Rate per 1,000

6.3
DECREASED

South Carolina	8.2
County Ranking	↑ 8

Physical neglect
Rate per 1,000

5.4
INCREASED

South Carolina	6.7
County Ranking	↓ 10

Medical neglect
Rate per 10,000

2.7
INCREASED

South Carolina	2.4
County Ranking	↓ 27

Educational neglect
Rate per 10,000

5.4
DECREASED

South Carolina	10.6
County Ranking	↑ 15

Substantial risk for injury[8]
Rate per 1,000

4.7
DECREASED

South Carolina	4.5
County Ranking	↑ 34

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RANK 13 ↑

2021-2022 South Carolina Child Maltreatment Data Profile

GREENVILLE COUNTY

Children under 18 years of age (2021)	
Greenville County	**121,614**
South Carolina	1,114,257

INTAKES
Rate per 100 families[1]

11.4
INCREASED

South Carolina 13.2

Percent of intakes investigated

54.4%
DECREASED

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21.9%
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Percent of intakes where no action was taken

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ALL CHILDREN IN FOUNDED INVESTIGATIONS
Rate per 1,000

14.1
INCREASED

South Carolina 14.2
County Ranking ↓ 19

Children ages 0-6
Rate per 1,000

23.3
INCREASED

South Carolina 23.1
County Ranking ↓ 22

Ages 7-12
Rate per 1,000

12.2
INCREASED

South Carolina 12.2
County Ranking ↓ 23

Ages 13-17
Rate per 1,000

7.9
INCREASED

South Carolina 8.5
County Ranking ↓ 20

Age unknown

0
N/A

South Carolina 0
County Ranking N/A

ALL TYPES OF ABUSE[3]
Rate per 1,000

2.3
DECREASED

South Carolina 3.3
County Ranking ↑ 8

Physical abuse[4]
Rate per 10,000

19.8
DECREASED

South Carolina 23.3
County Ranking ↑ 19

Sexual abuse[5]
Rate per 10,000

3.5
INCREASED

South Carolina 5.0
County Ranking ↓ 12

Emotional abuse
Rate per 10,000

0.1
DECREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↓ 8

Human trafficking[6]
Rate per 100,000

14
INCREASED

South Carolina 11.2
County Ranking ↓ 34

ALL TYPES OF NEGLECT[7]
Rate per 1,000

6.6
DECREASED

South Carolina 8.2
County Ranking ↑ 10

Physical neglect
Rate per 1,000

6.1
DECREASED

South Carolina 6.7
County Ranking ↑ 14

Medical neglect
Rate per 10,000

1
DECREASED

South Carolina 2.4
County Ranking ↑ 13

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Rate per 10,000

3.3
DECREASED

South Carolina 10.6
County Ranking ↑ 9

Substantial risk for injury[8]
Rate per 1,000

7.4
INCREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↑ 42

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RANK 27 ↓

2021-2022 South Carolina Child Maltreatment Data Profile

GREENWOOD COUNTY

Children under 18 years of age (2021)	
Greenwood County	**15,878**
South Carolina	1,114,257

INTAKES
Rate per 100 families[1]

12
DECREASED

South Carolina 13.2

Percent of intakes investigated

51.5%
DECREASED

South Carolina 53.8%

Percent of investigations substantiated

30.4%
INCREASED

South Carolina 25.3%

Percent of intakes referred to Family Centered Community Support Services[2]

23.0%
DECREASED

South Carolina 21.2%

Percent of intakes where no action was taken

25.5%
INCREASED

South Carolina 25.0%

ALL CHILDREN IN FOUNDED INVESTIGATIONS
Rate per 1,000

16.8
INCREASED

South Carolina 14.2
County Ranking ↓ 29

Children ages 0-6
Rate per 1,000

28.7
INCREASED

South Carolina 23.1
County Ranking ↓ 28

Ages 7-12
Rate per 1,000

14.5
INCREASED

South Carolina 12.2
County Ranking ↓ 27

Ages 13-17
Rate per 1,000

7.9
UNCHANGED

South Carolina 8.5
County Ranking ↑ 18

Age unknown

0
N/A

South Carolina 0
County Ranking N/A

ALL TYPES OF ABUSE[3]
Rate per 1,000

3.3
INCREASED

South Carolina 3.3
County Ranking ↓ 20

Physical abuse[4]
Rate per 10,000

22
INCREASED

South Carolina 23.3
County Ranking ↓ 22

Sexual abuse[5]
Rate per 10,000

6.3
INCREASED

South Carolina 5.0
County Ranking ↓ 29

Emotional abuse
Rate per 10,000

4.4
INCREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↓ 23

Human trafficking[6]
Rate per 100,000

6.3
UNCHANGED

South Carolina 11.2
County Ranking ↑ 24

ALL TYPES OF NEGLECT[7]
Rate per 1,000

9.9
INCREASED

South Carolina 8.2
County Ranking ↓ 24

Physical neglect
Rate per 1,000

8.7
INCREASED

South Carolina 6.7
County Ranking ↓ 25

Medical neglect
Rate per 10,000

1.9
INCREASED

South Carolina 2.4
County Ranking ↓ 23

Educational neglect
Rate per 10,000

9.4
INCREASED

South Carolina 10.6
County Ranking ↓ 22

Substantial risk for injury[8]
Rate per 1,000

7
UNCHANGED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↑ 40

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RANK 44 ↓

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HAMPTON COUNTY

Children under 18 years of age (2021)	
Hampton County	**4,090**
South Carolina	1,114,257

INTAKES
Rate per 100 families[1]

13.3
DECREASED

South Carolina 13.2

Percent of intakes investigated

52.1%
DECREASED

South Carolina 53.8%

Percent of investigations substantiated

34.7%
INCREASED

South Carolina 25.3%

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28.4%
INCREASED

South Carolina 21.2%

Percent of intakes where no action was taken

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DECREASED

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ALL CHILDREN IN FOUNDED INVESTIGATIONS
Rate per 1,000

21.3
INCREASED

South Carolina 14.2
County Ranking ↓ 38

Children ages 0-6
Rate per 1,000

36.4
INCREASED

South Carolina 23.1
County Ranking ↓ 38

Ages 7-12
Rate per 1,000

15.6
INCREASED

South Carolina 12.2
County Ranking ↓ 32

Ages 13-17
Rate per 1,000

13.4
INCREASED

South Carolina 8.5
County Ranking ↓ 39

Age unknown

0
N/A

South Carolina 0
County Ranking N/A

ALL TYPES OF ABUSE[3]
Rate per 1,000

8.8
INCREASED

South Carolina 3.3
County Ranking ↓ 44

Physical abuse[4]
Rate per 10,000

26.9
INCREASED

South Carolina 23.3
County Ranking ↓ 30

Sexual abuse[5]
Rate per 10,000

17.1
INCREASED

South Carolina 5.0
County Ranking ↓ 46

Emotional abuse
Rate per 10,000

44
INCREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↓ 46

Human trafficking[6]
Rate per 100,000

73.3
INCREASED

South Carolina 11.2
County Ranking ↓ 45

ALL TYPES OF NEGLECT[7]
Rate per 1,000

13.4
INCREASED

South Carolina 8.2
County Ranking ↓ 38

Physical neglect
Rate per 1,000

12.5
INCREASED

South Carolina 6.7
County Ranking ↓ 39

Medical neglect
Rate per 10,000

0
UNCHANGED

South Carolina 2.4
County Ranking = 1

Educational neglect
Rate per 10,000

9.8
INCREASED

South Carolina 10.6
County Ranking ↓ 24

Substantial risk for injury[8]
Rate per 1,000

1.7
INCREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↓ 13

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RANK 23 ↑

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HORRY COUNTY

Children under 18 years of age (2021)

Horry County	**62,137**
South Carolina	1,114,257

INTAKES
Rate per 100 families[1]

15.4
INCREASED

South Carolina 13.2

Percent of intakes investigated

52.0%
DECREASED

South Carolina 53.8%

Percent of investigations substantiated

24.4%
DECREASED

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Percent of intakes referred to Family Centered Community Support Services[2]

23.0%
DECREASED

South Carolina 21.2%

Percent of intakes where no action was taken

25.0%
INCREASED

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ALL CHILDREN IN FOUNDED INVESTIGATIONS
Rate per 1,000

13.6
DECREASED

South Carolina 14.2
County Ranking ↑ 17

Children ages 0-6
Rate per 1,000

21.3
DECREASED

South Carolina 23.1
County Ranking ↑ 15

Ages 7-12
Rate per 1,000

11.9
DECREASED

South Carolina 12.2
County Ranking ↑ 20

Ages 13-17
Rate per 1,000

9.2
DECREASED

South Carolina 8.5
County Ranking = 28

Age unknown

0
N/A

South Carolina 0
County Ranking N/A

ALL TYPES OF ABUSE[3]
Rate per 1,000

3.4
DECREASED

South Carolina 3.3
County Ranking ↑ 21

Physical abuse[4]
Rate per 10,000

27.5
DECREASED

South Carolina 23.3
County Ranking ↑ 31

Sexual abuse[5]
Rate per 10,000

6
INCREASED

South Carolina 5.0
County Ranking ↓ 26

Emotional abuse
Rate per 10,000

0.3
DECREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↓ 11

Human trafficking[6]
Rate per 100,000

4.8
INCREASED

South Carolina 11.2
County Ranking = 22

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Rate per 1,000

10.7
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South Carolina 8.2
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Rate per 10,000

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DECREASED

South Carolina 2.4
County Ranking = 19

Educational neglect
Rate per 10,000

25.4
DECREASED

South Carolina 10.6
County Ranking ↑ 43

Substantial risk for injury[8]
Rate per 1,000

2.2
DECREASED

South Carolina 4.5
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RANK 31 ↓

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JASPER COUNTY

Children under 18 years of age (2021)	
Jasper County	**5,594**
South Carolina	1,114,257

INTAKES
Rate per 100 families[1]

16
INCREASED

South Carolina 13.2

Percent of intakes investigated

62.2%
INCREASED

South Carolina 53.8%

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South Carolina 21.2%

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ALL CHILDREN IN FOUNDED INVESTIGATIONS
Rate per 1,000

18.2
INCREASED

South Carolina 14.2
County Ranking ↓ 31

Children ages 0-6
Rate per 1,000

32.4
INCREASED

South Carolina 23.1
County Ranking ↓ 34

Ages 7-12
Rate per 1,000

9.9
INCREASED

South Carolina 12.2
County Ranking ↓ 12

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Rate per 1,000

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South Carolina 8.5
County Ranking ↓ 41

Age unknown

0
N/A

South Carolina 0
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ALL TYPES OF ABUSE[3]
Rate per 1,000

5.4
INCREASED

South Carolina 3.3
County Ranking ↓ 37

Physical abuse[4]
Rate per 10,000

26.8
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South Carolina 23.3
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12.5
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South Carolina 5.0
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Rate per 10,000

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South Carolina 4.5
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Rate per 100,000

0
DECREASED

South Carolina 11.2
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Rate per 1,000

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RANK 18 ↑

2021-2022 South Carolina Child Maltreatment Data Profile

KERSHAW COUNTY

Children under 18 years of age (2021)	
Kershaw County	**15,210**
South Carolina	1,114,257

INTAKES
Rate per 100 families[1]

12.5
DECREASED

South Carolina 13.2

Percent of intakes investigated

57.2%
DECREASED

South Carolina 53.8%

Percent of investigations substantiated

18.2%
DECREASED

South Carolina 25.3%

Percent of intakes referred to Family Centered Community Support Services[2]

18.2%
DECREASED

South Carolina 21.2%

Percent of intakes where no action was taken

24.6%
INCREASED

South Carolina 25.0%

ALL CHILDREN IN FOUNDED INVESTIGATIONS
Rate per 1,000

10.8
DECREASED

South Carolina 14.2
County Ranking ↑ 8

Children ages 0-6
Rate per 1,000

17
DECREASED

South Carolina 23.1
County Ranking ↑ 10

Ages 7-12
Rate per 1,000

10.5
DECREASED

South Carolina 12.2
County Ranking ↑ 15

Ages 13-17
Rate per 1,000

6.7
DECREASED

South Carolina 8.5
County Ranking ↑ 9

Age unknown

0
N/A

South Carolina 0
County Ranking N/A

ALL TYPES OF ABUSE[3]
Rate per 1,000

2.2
DECREASED

South Carolina 3.3
County Ranking ↑ 7

Physical abuse[4]
Rate per 10,000

17.8
DECREASED

South Carolina 23.3
County Ranking ↑ 14

Sexual abuse[5]
Rate per 10,000

3.9
INCREASED

South Carolina 5.0
County Ranking ↑ 14

Emotional abuse
Rate per 10,000

0
DECREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↑ 1

Human trafficking[6]
Rate per 100,000

26.3
INCREASED

South Carolina 11.2
County Ranking ↓ 42

ALL TYPES OF NEGLECT[7]
Rate per 1,000

10.8
INCREASED

South Carolina 8.2
County Ranking ↓ 29

Physical neglect
Rate per 1,000

8.8
DECREASED

South Carolina 6.7
County Ranking ↑ 27

Medical neglect
Rate per 10,000

1.3
DECREASED

South Carolina 2.4
County Ranking ↑ 15

Educational neglect
Rate per 10,000

13.1
INCREASED

South Carolina 10.6
County Ranking ↓ 33

Substantial risk for injury[8]
Rate per 1,000

5.5
DECREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↓ 39

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KERSHAW COUNTY

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RANK
22 ↑

2021-2022 South Carolina Child Maltreatment Data Profile

LANCASTER COUNTY

Children under 18 years of age (2021)	
Lancaster County	20,892
South Carolina	1,114,257

INTAKES
Rate per 100 families[1]

14.1
INCREASED

South Carolina 13.2

Percent of intakes investigated

49.8%
DECREASED

South Carolina 53.8%

Percent of investigations substantiated

25.1%
DECREASED

South Carolina 25.3%

Percent of intakes referred to Family Centered Community Support Services[2]

21.9%
INCREASED

South Carolina 21.2%

Percent of intakes where no action was taken

28.3%
INCREASED

South Carolina 25.0%

ALL CHILDREN IN FOUNDED INVESTIGATIONS
Rate per 1,000

14.5
DECREASED

South Carolina 14.2
County Ranking ↑ 21

Children ages 0-6
Rate per 1,000

25
DECREASED

South Carolina 23.1
County Ranking ↑ 25

Ages 7-12
Rate per 1,000

12.5
DECREASED

South Carolina 12.2
County Ranking ↑ 24

Ages 13-17
Rate per 1,000

7.7
DECREASED

South Carolina 8.5
County Ranking ↑ 17

Age unknown

0
N/A

South Carolina 0
County Ranking N/A

ALL TYPES OF ABUSE[3]
Rate per 1,000

3.1
DECREASED

South Carolina 3.3
County Ranking ↑ 16

Physical abuse[4]
Rate per 10,000

21.1
DECREASED

South Carolina 23.3
County Ranking ↑ 21

Sexual abuse[5]
Rate per 10,000

6.7
INCREASED

South Carolina 5.0
County Ranking ↓ 32

Emotional abuse
Rate per 10,000

2.9
DECREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↑ 18

Human trafficking[6]
Rate per 100,000

9.6
INCREASED

South Carolina 11.2
County Ranking ↑ 28

ALL TYPES OF NEGLECT[7]
Rate per 1,000

8.6
DECREASED

South Carolina 8.2
County Ranking ↑ 20

Physical neglect
Rate per 1,000

6.6
DECREASED

South Carolina 6.7
County Ranking ↑ 19

Medical neglect
Rate per 10,000

1.4
DECREASED

South Carolina 2.4
County Ranking ↑ 18

Educational neglect
Rate per 10,000

16.3
INCREASED

South Carolina 10.6
County Ranking ↓ 38

Substantial risk for injury[8]
Rate per 1,000

4.4
DECREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking = 29

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LANCASTER COUNTY

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RANK
42 ↓

2021-2022 South Carolina Child Maltreatment Data Profile

LAURENS COUNTY

Children under 18 years of age (2021)	
Laurens County	14,950
South Carolina	1,114,257

INTAKES
Rate per 100 families[1]

18.1
INCREASED

South Carolina 13.2

Percent of intakes investigated

57.3%
DECREASED

South Carolina 53.8%

Percent of investigations substantiated

30.0%
DECREASED

South Carolina 25.3%

Percent of intakes referred to Family Centered Community Support Services[2]

22.4%
DECREASED

South Carolina 21.2%

Percent of intakes where no action was taken

20.3%
INCREASED

South Carolina 25.0%

ALL CHILDREN IN FOUNDED INVESTIGATIONS
Rate per 1,000

23.5
INCREASED

South Carolina 14.2
County Ranking ↓ 43

Children ages 0-6
Rate per 1,000

33.7
INCREASED

South Carolina 23.1
County Ranking ↓ 36

Ages 7-12
Rate per 1,000

23.4
INCREASED

South Carolina 12.2
County Ranking ↓ 43

Ages 13-17
Rate per 1,000

14.7
INCREASED

South Carolina 8.5
County Ranking ↓ 42

Age unknown

0
N/A

South Carolina 0
County Ranking N/A

ALL TYPES OF ABUSE[3]
Rate per 1,000

6.5
DECREASED

South Carolina 3.3
County Ranking ↑ 41

Physical abuse[4]
Rate per 10,000

31.4
DECREASED

South Carolina 23.3
County Ranking ↑ 36

Sexual abuse[5]
Rate per 10,000

6.7
INCREASED

South Carolina 5.0
County Ranking ↓ 31

Emotional abuse
Rate per 10,000

26.8
INCREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking = 43

Human trafficking[6]
Rate per 100,000

0
UNCHANGED

South Carolina 11.2
County Ranking = 1

ALL TYPES OF NEGLECT[7]
Rate per 1,000

12.7
INCREASED

South Carolina 8.2
County Ranking = 34

Physical neglect
Rate per 1,000

10
DECREASED

South Carolina 6.7
County Ranking ↑ 33

Medical neglect
Rate per 10,000

6.7
INCREASED

South Carolina 2.4
County Ranking ↓ 39

Educational neglect
Rate per 10,000

18.1
INCREASED

South Carolina 10.6
County Ranking ↓ 39

Substantial risk for injury[8]
Rate per 1,000

10.4
INCREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↓ 46

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RANK 40 ↑

2021-2022 South Carolina Child Maltreatment Data Profile

LEE COUNTY

Children under 18 years of age (2021)	
Lee County	**3,216**
South Carolina	1,114,257

INTAKES
Rate per 100 families[1]

17.3
INCREASED
South Carolina 13.2

Percent of intakes investigated

56.6%
DECREASED
South Carolina 53.8%

Percent of investigations substantiated

69.7%
INCREASED
South Carolina 25.3%

Percent of intakes referred to Family Centered Community Support Services[2]

20.6%
DECREASED
South Carolina 21.2%

Percent of intakes where no action was taken

22.9%
INCREASED
South Carolina 25.0%

ALL CHILDREN IN FOUNDED INVESTIGATIONS
Rate per 1,000

41.4
INCREASED
South Carolina 14.2
County Ranking = 46

Children ages 0-6
Rate per 1,000

64.4
INCREASED
South Carolina 23.1
County Ranking = 46

Ages 7-12
Rate per 1,000

40.7
INCREASED
South Carolina 12.2
County Ranking = 46

Ages 13-17
Rate per 1,000

21.5
DECREASED
South Carolina 8.5
County Ranking ↑ 45

Age unknown

0
N/A
South Carolina 0
County Ranking N/A

ALL TYPES OF ABUSE[3]
Rate per 1,000

4
UNCHANGED
South Carolina 3.3
County Ranking ↓ 28

Physical abuse[4]
Rate per 10,000

40.4
INCREASED
South Carolina 23.3
County Ranking ↓ 42

Sexual abuse[5]
Rate per 10,000

0
DECREASED
South Carolina 5.0
County Ranking ↑ 1

Emotional abuse
Rate per 10,000

0
UNCHANGED
South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking = 1

Human trafficking[6]
Rate per 100,000

0
UNCHANGED
South Carolina 11.2
County Ranking = 1

ALL TYPES OF NEGLECT[7]
Rate per 1,000

8.7
DECREASED
South Carolina 8.2
County Ranking ↑ 21

Physical neglect
Rate per 1,000

6.2
DECREASED
South Carolina 6.7
County Ranking ↑ 15

Medical neglect
Rate per 10,000

3.1
UNCHANGED
South Carolina 2.4
County Ranking ↓ 31

Educational neglect
Rate per 10,000

15.5
DECREASED
South Carolina 10.6
County Ranking ↑ 37

Substantial risk for injury[8]
Rate per 1,000

3.4
DECREASED
South Carolina 4.5
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RANK 3 ↑

2021-2022 South Carolina Child Maltreatment Data Profile

LEXINGTON COUNTY

Children under 18 years of age (2021)	
Lexington County	**68,113**
South Carolina	1,114,257

INTAKES
Rate per 100 families[1]

12.3
INCREASED

South Carolina 13.2

Percent of intakes investigated

54.9%
INCREASED

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Percent of investigations substantiated

15.0%
DECREASED

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20.7%
DECREASED

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Percent of intakes where no action was taken

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INCREASED

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ALL CHILDREN IN FOUNDED INVESTIGATIONS
Rate per 1,000

7.9
DECREASED

South Carolina 14.2
County Ranking ↑ 5

Children ages 0-6
Rate per 1,000

13.7
DECREASED

South Carolina 23.1
County Ranking ↑ 5

Ages 7-12
Rate per 1,000

6.9
DECREASED

South Carolina 12.2
County Ranking ↑ 5

Ages 13-17
Rate per 1,000

4
DECREASED

South Carolina 8.5
County Ranking ↓ 3

Age unknown

0
N/A

South Carolina 0
County Ranking N/A

ALL TYPES OF ABUSE[3]
Rate per 1,000

1.3
DECREASED

South Carolina 3.3
County Ranking ↑ 1

Physical abuse[4]
Rate per 10,000

11.5
DECREASED

South Carolina 23.3
County Ranking ↑ 4

Sexual abuse[5]
Rate per 10,000

1.8
INCREASED

South Carolina 5.0
County Ranking ↓ 7

Emotional abuse
Rate per 10,000

0.1
DECREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↑ 9

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Rate per 100,000

4.4
INCREASED

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ALL TYPES OF NEGLECT[7]
Rate per 1,000

4.5
DECREASED

South Carolina 8.2
County Ranking ↑ 3

Physical neglect
Rate per 1,000

3.8
DECREASED

South Carolina 6.7
County Ranking ↑ 2

Medical neglect
Rate per 10,000

0.7
UNCHANGED

South Carolina 2.4
County Ranking ↓ 12

Educational neglect
Rate per 10,000

5
DECREASED

South Carolina 10.6
County Ranking ↑ 14

Substantial risk for injury[8]
Rate per 1,000

2.1
DECREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↑ 16

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RANK
37 ↑

2021-2022 South Carolina Child Maltreatment Data Profile

MARION COUNTY

Children under 18 years of age (2021)

Marion County	**6,569**
South Carolina	1,114,257

INTAKES
Rate per 100 families[1]

18.9
INCREASED

South Carolina 13.2

Percent of intakes investigated

53.3%
DECREASED

South Carolina 53.8%

Percent of investigations substantiated

33.0%
DECREASED

South Carolina 25.3%

Percent of intakes referred to Family Centered Community Support Services[2]

24.5%
DECREASED

South Carolina 21.2%

Percent of intakes where no action was taken

22.1%
INCREASED

South Carolina 25.0%

ALL CHILDREN IN FOUNDED INVESTIGATIONS
Rate per 1,000

21.2
DECREASED

South Carolina 14.2
County Ranking ↑ 37

Children ages 0-6
Rate per 1,000

29.1
DECREASED

South Carolina 23.1
County Ranking ↑ 29

Ages 7-12
Rate per 1,000

22.6
DECREASED

South Carolina 12.2
County Ranking ↑ 42

Ages 13-17
Rate per 1,000

12.7
DECREASED

South Carolina 8.5
County Ranking ↑ 37

Age unknown

0
N/A

South Carolina 0
County Ranking N/A

ALL TYPES OF ABUSE[3]
Rate per 1,000

4.9
INCREASED

South Carolina 3.3
County Ranking ↓ 35

Physical abuse[4]
Rate per 10,000

32
INCREASED

South Carolina 23.3
County Ranking ↓ 38

Sexual abuse[5]
Rate per 10,000

15.2
INCREASED

South Carolina 5.0
County Ranking ↓ 45

Emotional abuse
Rate per 10,000

1.5
INCREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↓ 14

Human trafficking[6]
Rate per 100,000

0
DECREASED

South Carolina 11.2
County Ranking ↑ 1

ALL TYPES OF NEGLECT[7]
Rate per 1,000

19.3
INCREASED

South Carolina 8.2
County Ranking ↓ 44

Physical neglect
Rate per 1,000

16.9
INCREASED

South Carolina 6.7
County Ranking ↓ 45

Medical neglect
Rate per 10,000

9.1
INCREASED

South Carolina 2.4
County Ranking ↓ 41

Educational neglect
Rate per 10,000

6.1
INCREASED

South Carolina 10.6
County Ranking ↓ 16

Substantial risk for injury[8]
Rate per 1,000

0.9
DECREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↑ 7

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RANK 38 ↓

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MARLBORO COUNTY

Children under 18 years of age (2021)	
Marlboro County	5,371
South Carolina	1,114,257

INTAKES
Rate per 100 families[1]

28.7
INCREASED

South Carolina 13.2

Percent of intakes investigated

53.8%
DECREASED

South Carolina 53.8%

Percent of investigations substantiated

31.3%
INCREASED

South Carolina 25.3%

Percent of intakes referred to Family Centered Community Support Services[2]

17.5%
DECREASED

South Carolina 21.2%

Percent of intakes where no action was taken

28.6%
INCREASED

South Carolina 25.0%

ALL CHILDREN IN FOUNDED INVESTIGATIONS
Rate per 1,000

23.3
DECREASED

South Carolina	14.2
County Ranking	↓ 42

Children ages 0-6
Rate per 1,000

39.2
DECREASED

South Carolina	23.1
County Ranking	↑ 41

Ages 7-12
Rate per 1,000

20.6
UNCHANGED

South Carolina	12.2
County Ranking	↓ 41

Ages 13-17
Rate per 1,000

11.8
INCREASED

South Carolina	8.5
County Ranking	↑ 32

Age unknown

0
N/A

South Carolina	0
County Ranking	N/A

ALL TYPES OF ABUSE[3]
Rate per 1,000

4.7
DECREASED

South Carolina	3.3
County Ranking	↑ 34

Physical abuse[4]
Rate per 10,000

37.2
UNCHANGED

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County Ranking	↓ 41

Sexual abuse[5]
Rate per 10,000

5.6
INCREASED

South Carolina	5.0
County Ranking	↑ 23

Emotional abuse
Rate per 10,000

3.7
DECREASED

South Carolina	4.5
County Ranking	↑ 20

Human trafficking[6]
Rate per 100,000

18.6
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County Ranking	↑ 41

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Rate per 1,000

14
DECREASED

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County Ranking	↑ 43

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Rate per 10,000

11.2
INCREASED

South Carolina	2.4
County Ranking	↓ 44

Educational neglect
Rate per 10,000

9.3
DECREASED

South Carolina	10.6
County Ranking	↑ 21

Substantial risk for injury[8]
Rate per 1,000

4.3
INCREASED

South Carolina	4.5
County Ranking	↓ 28

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McCORMICK COUNTY

Children under 18 years of age (2021)	
McCormick County	1,069
South Carolina	1,114,257

INTAKES
Rate per 100 families[1]

19.1
INCREASED

South Carolina 13.2

Percent of intakes investigated

51.7%
INCREASED

South Carolina 53.8%

Percent of investigations substantiated

43.3%
INCREASED

South Carolina 25.3%

Percent of intakes referred to Family Centered Community Support Services[2]

24.1%
DECREASED

South Carolina 21.2%

Percent of intakes where no action was taken

24.1%
DECREASED

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ALL CHILDREN IN FOUNDED INVESTIGATIONS
Rate per 1,000

19.6
INCREASED

South Carolina 14.2
County Ranking ↓ 34

Children ages 0-6
Rate per 1,000

30.3
INCREASED

South Carolina 23.1
County Ranking ↓ 32

Ages 7-12
Rate per 1,000

8.2
DECREASED

South Carolina 12.2
County Ranking ↑ 7

Ages 13-17
Rate per 1,000

21.6
INCREASED

South Carolina 8.5
County Ranking ↓ 46

Age unknown

0
N/A

South Carolina 0
County Ranking N/A

ALL TYPES OF ABUSE[3]
Rate per 1,000

6.5
INCREASED

South Carolina 3.3
County Ranking ↓ 42

Physical abuse[4]
Rate per 10,000

18.7
UNCHANGED

South Carolina 23.3
County Ranking ↑ 16

Sexual abuse[5]
Rate per 10,000

9.4
DECREASED

South Carolina 5.0
County Ranking ↑ 40

Emotional abuse
Rate per 10,000

37.4
INCREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↓ 45

Human trafficking[6]
Rate per 100,000

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UNCHANGED

South Carolina 11.2
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Rate per 10,000

46.8
INCREASED

South Carolina 2.4
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Rate per 10,000

0
UNCHANGED

South Carolina 10.6
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Substantial risk for injury[8]
Rate per 1,000

4.7
INCREASED

South Carolina 4.5
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RANK 34 ↓

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NEWBERRY COUNTY

Children under 18 years of age (2021)	
Newberry County	**8,151**
South Carolina	1,114,257

INTAKES
Rate per 100 families[1]

11.5
DECREASED

South Carolina 13.2

Percent of intakes investigated

56.2%
INCREASED

South Carolina 53.8%

Percent of investigations substantiated

30.9%
INCREASED

South Carolina 25.3%

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24.0%
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Rate per 1,000

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Rate per 1,000

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Age unknown

0
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ALL TYPES OF ABUSE[3]
Rate per 1,000

7.1
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South Carolina 3.3
County Ranking ↓ 43

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Rate per 10,000

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Substantial risk for injury[8]
Rate per 1,000

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DECREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↑ 23

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RANK 30 ↑

2021-2022 South Carolina Child Maltreatment Data Profile

OCONEE COUNTY

Children under 18 years of age (2021)	
Oconee County	15,532
South Carolina	1,114,257

INTAKES
Rate per 100 families[1]

20
DECREASED

South Carolina 13.2

Percent of intakes investigated

51.9%
DECREASED

South Carolina 53.8%

Percent of investigations substantiated

20.4%
DECREASED

South Carolina 25.3%

Percent of intakes referred to Family Centered Community Support Services[2]

24.5%
DECREASED

South Carolina 21.2%

Percent of intakes where no action was taken

23.5%
INCREASED

South Carolina 25.0%

ALL CHILDREN IN FOUNDED INVESTIGATIONS
Rate per 1,000

15.6
DECREASED

South Carolina 14.2
County Ranking ↑ 24

Children ages 0-6
Rate per 1,000

29.7
DECREASED

South Carolina 23.1
County Ranking ↑ 31

Ages 7-12
Rate per 1,000

13.3
DECREASED

South Carolina 12.2
County Ranking ↑ 25

Ages 13-17
Rate per 1,000

7
DECREASED

South Carolina 8.5
County Ranking ↑ 10

Age unknown

0
N/A

South Carolina 0
County Ranking N/A

ALL TYPES OF ABUSE[3]
Rate per 1,000

5.5
DECREASED

South Carolina 3.3
County Ranking ↑ 38

Physical abuse[4]
Rate per 10,000

30.3
DECREASED

South Carolina 23.3
County Ranking ↑ 34

Sexual abuse[5]
Rate per 10,000

9
INCREASED

South Carolina 5.0
County Ranking ↓ 39

Emotional abuse
Rate per 10,000

16.1
INCREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↓ 40

Human trafficking[6]
Rate per 100,000

51.5
INCREASED

South Carolina 11.2
County Ranking ↓ 44

ALL TYPES OF NEGLECT[7]
Rate per 1,000

7.7
DECREASED

South Carolina 8.2
County Ranking ↑ 14

Physical neglect
Rate per 1,000

6.2
DECREASED

South Carolina 6.7
County Ranking ↑ 16

Medical neglect
Rate per 10,000

0
DECREASED

South Carolina 2.4
County Ranking ↑ 1

Educational neglect
Rate per 10,000

2.6
DECREASED

South Carolina 10.6
County Ranking ↑ 7

Substantial risk for injury[8]
Rate per 1,000

5.2
DECREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↑ 37

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RANK 11 ↓

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ORANGEBURG COUNTY

Children under 18 years of age (2021)	
Orangeburg County	**18,480**
South Carolina	1,114,257

INTAKES
Rate per 100 families[1]

15.4
INCREASED

South Carolina 13.2

Percent of intakes investigated

52.1%
DECREASED

South Carolina 53.8%

Percent of investigations substantiated

24.5%
DECREASED

South Carolina 25.3%

Percent of intakes referred to Family Centered Community Support Services[2]

22.2%
DECREASED

South Carolina 21.2%

Percent of intakes where no action was taken

25.7%
INCREASED

South Carolina 25.0%

ALL CHILDREN IN FOUNDED INVESTIGATIONS
Rate per 1,000

11.8
INCREASED

South Carolina 14.2
County Ranking ↓ 10

Children ages 0-6
Rate per 1,000

18.3
INCREASED

South Carolina 23.1
County Ranking ↓ 11

Ages 7-12
Rate per 1,000

9.7
INCREASED

South Carolina 12.2
County Ranking ↓ 10

Ages 13-17
Rate per 1,000

8.2
INCREASED

South Carolina 8.5
County Ranking ↓ 22

Age unknown

0
N/A

South Carolina 0
County Ranking N/A

ALL TYPES OF ABUSE[3]
Rate per 1,000

4.2
INCREASED

South Carolina 3.3
County Ranking ↓ 31

Physical abuse[4]
Rate per 10,000

22.2
INCREASED

South Carolina 23.3
County Ranking ↓ 23

Sexual abuse[5]
Rate per 10,000

4.3
INCREASED

South Carolina 5.0
County Ranking ↓ 18

Emotional abuse
Rate per 10,000

15.2
INCREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↓ 38

Human trafficking[6]
Rate per 100,000

0
DECREASED

South Carolina 11.2
County Ranking ↑ 1

ALL TYPES OF NEGLECT[7]
Rate per 1,000

6.8
INCREASED

South Carolina 8.2
County Ranking ↓ 11

Physical neglect
Rate per 1,000

4.9
INCREASED

South Carolina 6.7
County Ranking ↓ 7

Medical neglect
Rate per 10,000

3.2
UNCHANGED

South Carolina 2.4
County Ranking ↓ 33

Educational neglect
Rate per 10,000

11.4
INCREASED

South Carolina 10.6
County Ranking ↓ 28

Substantial risk for injury[8]
Rate per 1,000

1.8
DECREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↑ 14

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RANK 8 ↑

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PICKENS COUNTY

Children under 18 years of age (2021)

Pickens County	**24,857**
South Carolina	1,114,257

INTAKES
Rate per 100 families[1]

14.8
INCREASED

South Carolina 13.2

Percent of intakes investigated

55.9%
DECREASED

South Carolina 53.8%

Percent of investigations substantiated

19.0%
DECREASED

South Carolina 25.3%

Percent of intakes referred to Family Centered Community Support Services[2]

21.6%
DECREASED

South Carolina 21.2%

Percent of intakes where no action was taken

22.5%
INCREASED

South Carolina 25.0%

ALL CHILDREN IN FOUNDED INVESTIGATIONS
Rate per 1,000

12.1
INCREASED

South Carolina	14.2
County Ranking	↑ 11

Children ages 0-6
Rate per 1,000

20.9
DECREASED

South Carolina	23.1
County Ranking	↑ 14

Ages 7-12
Rate per 1,000

9.8
UNCHANGED

South Carolina	12.2
County Ranking	↑ 11

Ages 13-17
Rate per 1,000

7.5
INCREASED

South Carolina	8.5
County Ranking	↓ 16

Age unknown

0
N/A

South Carolina	0
County Ranking	N/A

ALL TYPES OF ABUSE[3]
Rate per 1,000

1.9
DECREASED

South Carolina	3.3
County Ranking	↑ 3

Physical abuse[4]
Rate per 10,000

11.7
DECREASED

South Carolina	23.3
County Ranking	↑ 6

Sexual abuse[5]
Rate per 10,000

3.6
INCREASED

South Carolina	5.0
County Ranking	↑ 13

Emotional abuse
Rate per 10,000

3.2
DECREASED

South Carolina	4.5
County Ranking	↓ 19

Human trafficking[6]
Rate per 100,000

12.1
INCREASED

South Carolina	11.2
County Ranking	↑ 30

ALL TYPES OF NEGLECT[7]
Rate per 1,000

7.6
DECREASED

South Carolina	8.2
County Ranking	↑ 13

Physical neglect
Rate per 1,000

6.5
INCREASED

South Carolina	6.7
County Ranking	= 18

Medical neglect
Rate per 10,000

4.4
INCREASED

South Carolina	2.4
County Ranking	↓ 36

Educational neglect
Rate per 10,000

4.8
DECREASED

South Carolina	10.6
County Ranking	↑ 13

Substantial risk for injury[8]
Rate per 1,000

4.6
INCREASED

South Carolina	4.5
County Ranking	↓ 32

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2021-2022 South Carolina Child Maltreatment Data Profile

RICHLAND COUNTY

Children under 18 years of age (2021)	
Richland County	**89,972**
South Carolina	1,114,257

INTAKES
Rate per 100 families[1]

12.7
INCREASED

South Carolina 13.2

Percent of intakes investigated

53.6%
DECREASED

South Carolina 53.8%

Percent of investigations substantiated

35.7%
DECREASED

South Carolina 25.3%

Percent of intakes referred to Family Centered Community Support Services[2]

16.7%
DECREASED

South Carolina 21.2%

Percent of intakes where no action was taken

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INCREASED

South Carolina 25.0%

ALL CHILDREN IN FOUNDED INVESTIGATIONS
Rate per 1,000

17.3
DECREASED

South Carolina 14.2
County Ranking ↑ 30

Children ages 0-6
Rate per 1,000

24.6
DECREASED

South Carolina 23.1
County Ranking ↑ 24

Ages 7-12
Rate per 1,000

15.3
DECREASED

South Carolina 12.2
County Ranking ↑ 30

Ages 13-17
Rate per 1,000

13.2
INCREASED

South Carolina 8.5
County Ranking ↓ 38

Age unknown

0
N/A

South Carolina 0
County Ranking N/A

ALL TYPES OF ABUSE[3]
Rate per 1,000

3.2
INCREASED

South Carolina 3.3
County Ranking ↓ 19

Physical abuse[4]
Rate per 10,000

25.6
INCREASED

South Carolina 23.3
County Ranking ↓ 27

Sexual abuse[5]
Rate per 10,000

6
INCREASED

South Carolina 5.0
County Ranking ↓ 27

Emotional abuse
Rate per 10,000

0.2
DECREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↑ 10

Human trafficking[6]
Rate per 100,000

14.4
INCREASED

South Carolina 11.2
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Rate per 1,000

6.5
DECREASED

South Carolina 8.2
County Ranking ↑ 9

Physical neglect
Rate per 1,000

4.2
DECREASED

South Carolina 6.7
County Ranking ↓ 5

Medical neglect
Rate per 10,000

1.3
DECREASED

South Carolina 2.4
County Ranking ↑ 16

Educational neglect
Rate per 10,000

20.6
DECREASED

South Carolina 10.6
County Ranking ↑ 40

Substantial risk for injury[8]
Rate per 1,000

7.5
DECREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↑ 43

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RANK 32 ↓

2021-2022 South Carolina Child Maltreatment Data Profile

SALUDA COUNTY

Children under 18 years of age (2021)	
Saluda County	**4,065**
South Carolina	1,114,257

INTAKES
Rate per 100 families[1]

8.9
DECREASED

South Carolina 13.2

Percent of intakes investigated

60.1%
INCREASED

South Carolina 53.8%

Percent of investigations substantiated

34.7%
INCREASED

South Carolina 25.3%

Percent of intakes referred to Family Centered Community Support Services[2]

21.4%
DECREASED

South Carolina 21.2%

Percent of intakes where no action was taken

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INCREASED

South Carolina 25.0%

ALL CHILDREN IN FOUNDED INVESTIGATIONS
Rate per 1,000

16
INCREASED

South Carolina 14.2
County Ranking ↓ 27

Children ages 0-6
Rate per 1,000

22.3
INCREASED

South Carolina 23.1
County Ranking ↓ 18

Ages 7-12
Rate per 1,000

14.3
INCREASED

South Carolina 12.2
County Ranking ↓ 26

Ages 13-17
Rate per 1,000

12.1
INCREASED

South Carolina 8.5
County Ranking ↓ 35

Age unknown

0
N/A

South Carolina 0
County Ranking N/A

ALL TYPES OF ABUSE[3]
Rate per 1,000

4.2
INCREASED

South Carolina 3.3
County Ranking ↓ 32

Physical abuse[4]
Rate per 10,000

17.2
INCREASED

South Carolina 23.3
County Ranking ↓ 10

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Rate per 10,000

9.8
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South Carolina 5.0
County Ranking ↓ 41

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Rate per 10,000

14.8
INCREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↓ 37

Human trafficking[6]
Rate per 100,000

73.8
INCREASED

South Carolina 11.2
County Ranking ↓ 46

ALL TYPES OF NEGLECT[7]
Rate per 1,000

11.8
INCREASED

South Carolina 8.2
County Ranking ↓ 31

Physical neglect
Rate per 1,000

10.8
INCREASED

South Carolina 6.7
County Ranking ↓ 35

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Rate per 10,000

0
DECREASED

South Carolina 2.4
County Ranking ↑ 1

Educational neglect
Rate per 10,000

9.8
INCREASED

South Carolina 10.6
County Ranking ↓ 25

Substantial risk for injury[8]
Rate per 1,000

0.2
DECREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↑ 4

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RANK 15↓

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SPARTANBURG COUNTY

Children under 18 years of age (2021)	
Spartanburg County	76,935
South Carolina	1,114,257

INTAKES
Rate per 100 families[1]

12.8
INCREASED

South Carolina 13.2

Percent of intakes investigated

58.0%
INCREASED

South Carolina 53.8%

Percent of investigations substantiated

20.0%
INCREASED

South Carolina 25.3%

Percent of intakes referred to Family Centered Community Support Services[2]

19.7%
DECREASED

South Carolina 21.2%

Percent of intakes where no action was taken

22.2%
INCREASED

South Carolina 25.0%

ALL CHILDREN IN FOUNDED INVESTIGATIONS
Rate per 1,000

12.7
INCREASED

South Carolina 14.2
County Ranking ↑13

Children ages 0-6
Rate per 1,000

22.4
INCREASED

South Carolina 23.1
County Ranking ↓21

Ages 7-12
Rate per 1,000

10.4
DECREASED

South Carolina 12.2
County Ranking ↑14

Ages 13-17
Rate per 1,000

7.1
INCREASED

South Carolina 8.5
County Ranking ↑11

Age unknown

0
N/A

South Carolina 0
County Ranking N/A

ALL TYPES OF ABUSE[3]
Rate per 1,000

4.4
INCREASED

South Carolina 3.3
County Ranking ↓33

Physical abuse[4]
Rate per 10,000

32.8
INCREASED

South Carolina 23.3
County Ranking ↓39

Sexual abuse[5]
Rate per 10,000

7.3
INCREASED

South Carolina 5.0
County Ranking ↓35

Emotional abuse
Rate per 10,000

3.8
INCREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↓21

Human trafficking[6]
Rate per 100,000

13
INCREASED

South Carolina 11.2
County Ranking ↓31

ALL TYPES OF NEGLECT[7]
Rate per 1,000

5.5
DECREASED

South Carolina 8.2
County Ranking = 5

Physical neglect
Rate per 1,000

5
INCREASED

South Carolina 6.7
County Ranking ↓ 8

Medical neglect
Rate per 10,000

0.5
DECREASED

South Carolina 2.4
County Ranking ↑11

Educational neglect
Rate per 10,000

3.5
DECREASED

South Carolina 10.6
County Ranking ↑10

Substantial risk for injury[8]
Rate per 1,000

5
DECREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↑36

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RANK 17 ↑

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SUMTER COUNTY

Children under 18 years of age (2021)	
Sumter County	**25,433**
South Carolina	1,114,257

INTAKES
Rate per 100 families[1]

13.8
INCREASED

South Carolina 13.2

Percent of intakes investigated

59.7%
INCREASED

South Carolina 53.8%

Percent of investigations substantiated

21.8%
DECREASED

South Carolina 25.3%

Percent of intakes referred to Family Centered Community Support Services[2]

18.4%
DECREASED

South Carolina 21.2%

Percent of intakes where no action was taken

21.9%
INCREASED

South Carolina 25.0%

ALL CHILDREN IN FOUNDED INVESTIGATIONS
Rate per 1,000

14
UNCHANGED

South Carolina 14.2
County Ranking ↑ 18

Children ages 0-6
Rate per 1,000

21.3
DECREASED

South Carolina 23.1
County Ranking ↑ 16

Ages 7-12
Rate per 1,000

14.5
INCREASED

South Carolina 12.2
County Ranking ↓ 28

Ages 13-17
Rate per 1,000

6.4
INCREASED

South Carolina 8.5
County Ranking ↑ 8

Age unknown

0
N/A

South Carolina 0
County Ranking N/A

ALL TYPES OF ABUSE[3]
Rate per 1,000

3.1
DECREASED

South Carolina 3.3
County Ranking ↑ 17

Physical abuse[4]
Rate per 10,000

17.3
DECREASED

South Carolina 23.3
County Ranking ↑ 12

Sexual abuse[5]
Rate per 10,000

5.5
INCREASED

South Carolina 5.0
County Ranking ↓ 22

Emotional abuse
Rate per 10,000

5.1
DECREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↑ 24

Human trafficking[6]
Rate per 100,000

0
DECREASED

South Carolina 11.2
County Ranking ↑ 1

ALL TYPES OF NEGLECT[7]
Rate per 1,000

10.7
DECREASED

South Carolina 8.2
County Ranking ↑ 27

Physical neglect
Rate per 1,000

9.1
DECREASED

South Carolina 6.7
County Ranking ↑ 28

Medical neglect
Rate per 10,000

2.8
UNCHANGED

South Carolina 2.4
County Ranking ↓ 28

Educational neglect
Rate per 10,000

11.4
INCREASED

South Carolina 10.6
County Ranking ↓ 29

Substantial risk for injury[8]
Rate per 1,000

1.2
UNCHANGED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↓ 10

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29 ↑

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UNION COUNTY

Children under 18 years of age (2021)	
Union County	**5,814**
South Carolina	1,114,257

INTAKES
Rate per 100 families[1]

19.1
INCREASED

South Carolina 13.2

Percent of intakes investigated

53.8%
DECREASED

South Carolina 53.8%

Percent of investigations substantiated

19.6%
DECREASED

South Carolina 25.3%

Percent of intakes referred to Family Centered Community Support Services[2]

24.3%
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South Carolina 21.2%

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21.9%
INCREASED

South Carolina 25.0%

ALL CHILDREN IN FOUNDED INVESTIGATIONS
Rate per 1,000

15.8
DECREASED

South Carolina	14.2
County Ranking	↑ 26

Children ages 0-6
Rate per 1,000

18.9
DECREASED

South Carolina	23.1
County Ranking	↑ 12

Ages 7-12
Rate per 1,000

17
INCREASED

South Carolina	12.2
County Ranking	↓ 37

Ages 13-17
Rate per 1,000

11.9
DECREASED

South Carolina	8.5
County Ranking	↑ 33

Age unknown

0
N/A

South Carolina	0
County Ranking	N/A

ALL TYPES OF ABUSE[3]
Rate per 1,000

4
DECREASED

South Carolina	3.3
County Ranking	↑ 27

Physical abuse[4]
Rate per 10,000

8.6
DECREASED

South Carolina	23.3
County Ranking	↑ 2

Sexual abuse[5]
Rate per 10,000

6.9
INCREASED

South Carolina	5.0
County Ranking	↑ 33

Emotional abuse
Rate per 10,000

8.6
DECREASED

South Carolina	4.5
County Ranking	↑ 30

Human trafficking[6]
Rate per 100,000

17.2
INCREASED

South Carolina	11.2
County Ranking	↓ 36

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Rate per 1,000

10.5
DECREASED

South Carolina	8.2
County Ranking	↑ 25

Physical neglect
Rate per 1,000

6
DECREASED

South Carolina	6.7
County Ranking	↑ 13

Medical neglect
Rate per 10,000

1.7
DECREASED

South Carolina	2.4
County Ranking	↑ 21

Educational neglect
Rate per 10,000

43
INCREASED

South Carolina	10.6
County Ranking	↓ 46

Substantial risk for injury[8]
Rate per 1,000

1.9
DECREASED

South Carolina	4.5
County Ranking	↑ 15

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RANK 24↓

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WILLIAMSBURG COUNTY

Children under 18 years of age (2021)	
Williamsburg County	**6,272**
South Carolina	1,114,257

INTAKES
Rate per 100 families[1]

12.7
INCREASED

South Carolina 13.2

Percent of intakes investigated

58.4%
INCREASED

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18.3
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South Carolina 14.2
County Ranking ↓32

Children ages 0-6
Rate per 1,000

27.3
INCREASED

South Carolina 23.1
County Ranking ↓26

Ages 7-12
Rate per 1,000

16.7
INCREASED

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Ages 13-17
Rate per 1,000

11.9
INCREASED

South Carolina 8.5
County Ranking ↓34

Age unknown

0
N/A

South Carolina 0
County Ranking N/A

ALL TYPES OF ABUSE[3]
Rate per 1,000

2.7
DECREASED

South Carolina 3.3
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Physical abuse[4]
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17.5
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1.6
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County Ranking ↑4

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Rate per 10,000

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County Ranking ↑15

Human trafficking[6]
Rate per 100,000

0
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Rate per 1,000

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YORK COUNTY

Children under 18 years of age (2021)

York County	**68,369**
South Carolina	1,114,257

INTAKES
Rate per 100 families[1]

9.7
INCREASED

South Carolina 13.2

Percent of intakes investigated

53.9%
DECREASED

South Carolina 53.8%

Percent of investigations substantiated

19.6%
INCREASED

South Carolina 25.3%

Percent of intakes referred to Family Centered Community Support Services[2]

21.0%
DECREASED

South Carolina 21.2%

Percent of intakes where no action was taken

25.1%
INCREASED

South Carolina 25.0%

ALL CHILDREN IN FOUNDED INVESTIGATIONS
Rate per 1,000

7.6
DECREASED

South Carolina 14.2
County Ranking ↓ 4

Children ages 0-6
Rate per 1,000

13.4
DECREASED

South Carolina 23.1
County Ranking ↑ 3

Ages 7-12
Rate per 1,000

6.7
INCREASED

South Carolina 12.2
County Ranking ↑ 4

Ages 13-17
Rate per 1,000

4.3
DECREASED

South Carolina 8.5
County Ranking ↓ 4

Age unknown

0
N/A

South Carolina 0
County Ranking N/A

ALL TYPES OF ABUSE[3]
Rate per 1,000

1.6
INCREASED

South Carolina 3.3
County Ranking ↓2

Physical abuse[4]
Rate per 10,000

13.6
INCREASED

South Carolina 23.3
County Ranking ↓ 8

Sexual abuse[5]
Rate per 10,000

1.6
INCREASED

South Carolina 5.0
County Ranking ↑ 5

Emotional abuse
Rate per 10,000

0
DECREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↑ 1

Human trafficking[6]
Rate per 100,000

2.9
UNCHANGED

South Carolina 11.2
County Ranking ↑20

ALL TYPES OF NEGLECT[7]
Rate per 1,000

4.5
DECREASED

South Carolina 8.2
County Ranking ↑ 2

Physical neglect
Rate per 1,000

3.9
DECREASED

South Carolina 6.7
County Ranking ↓ 4

Medical neglect
Rate per 10,000

0.4
DECREASED

South Carolina 2.4
County Ranking ↓10

Educational neglect
Rate per 10,000

3.1
DECREASED

South Carolina 10.6
County Ranking ↑ 8

Substantial risk for injury[8]
Rate per 1,000

2.2
INCREASED

South Carolina 4.5
County Ranking ↑17

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South Carolina County Rankings

All 46 counties are ranked from first (1) to last (46). In addition to the overall ranking, each county has a domain and indicator ranking.

1	Edgefield	11	Orangeburg	21	Chesterfield	31	Jasper	41	Cherokee
2	York	12	Florence	22	Lancaster	32	Saluda	42	Laurens
3	Lexington	13	Greenville	23	Horry	33	Dillon	43	McCormick
4	Beaufort	14	Georgetown	24	Williamsburg	34	Newberry	44	Hampton
5	Barnwell	15	Spartanburg	25	Anderson	35	Colleton	45	Darlington
6	Berkeley	16	Dorchester	26	Abbeville	36	Charleston	46	Chester
7	Allendale	17	Sumter	27	Greenwood	37	Marion		
8	Pickens	18	Kershaw	28	Richland	38	Marlboro		
9	Calhoun	19	Bamberg	29	Union	39	Fairfield		
10	Aiken	20	Clarendon	30	Oconee	40	Lee		

Why is this important?

Children's Trust of South Carolina produces the child maltreatment profiles for each county in South Carolina. They are a resource for policymakers, researchers and organizations to understand the scope and nature of child maltreatment.

Child maltreatment is abuse and neglect that occurs to children under 18 years of age. It includes all types of physical, emotional, and sexual abuse in addition to all forms of neglect, negligence, and exploitation of children. This information can help community and state leaders develop strategies and policies to prevention maltreatment, protect child and support families in needs. They can also help allocate resources more effectively and tailor interventions to address specific issues.

Child maltreatment is preventable when there are protective and promotive factors that support families. It takes all of us working together to prevent child abuse and neglect. It is possible to build protective and promotive factors that benefit children, families, and communities in general, and to prevent child maltreatment.

How can this data be used?

Raise awareness about these statistics in your workplace, organization, and community.

Collaborate with your community to make data-driven decisions using this profile, including when developing a plan for action to prevent and address child maltreatment.

Advocate by using this profile for grant writing, policy statements, and presentations to key policy stakeholders in your community.

Where does the data come from?

County-level child maltreatment data comes from the South Carolina Department of Social Services (S.C. DSS). Data is released annually by the South Carolina DSS and can be found at https://dss.sc.gov/about/data-and-resources/child-welfare-data/child-protective-services-data/. Child maltreatment is likely to be underreported, suggesting that the true prevalence of child maltreatment is much higher.

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1. Intakes rate per 100 families - This is not a percentage because one family can have multiple intakes in a single year. **2. Percent of intakes referred to Family Centered Community Support Services** - In January 2012, South Carolina Department of Social Services (S.C. DSS) developed the use of community services referred to as Family Centered Community Support Services to work with families who had been reported. Intake staff determined (1) there wasn't a safety threat to the child but (2) the family might benefit from some voluntary services to address potential risk factors. **3. All Abuse** - Includes excessive corporal punishment, emotional abuse, physical abuse, sexual abuse, and human trafficking. **4. Physical Abuse** - Includes physical abuse and excessive corporal punishment. **5. Sexual Abuse** - Does not include sex trafficking which is included in human trafficking. **6. Human Trafficking** - Includes sex trafficking and labor trafficking. Rates have increased sharply in the past years due to an increased focus on awareness and education around human trafficking. **7. All Neglect** - All Neglect Includes abandonment, contributing to the delinquency of a minor, educational neglect, medical neglect, and physical neglect. **8. Substantial risk for injury** - According to S.C. DSS, this category is separate from evidence of neglect or abuse and is not included in the rate for either neglect or abuse.