

The Impact of Childhood Abuse and Neglect Dorchester County *At-a-Glance*

75,796

54.1% of county population

Estimated
adults with one
or more ACEs

10,309

Estimated
adults with four
or more ACEs

\$2.7 Billion

Lost economic activity from lower earnings,
medical costs, and workplace absenteeism.

Q: What is an ACE?

A: An Adverse Childhood Experience (ACE) that consists of any of the following:

- Physical Abuse
- Emotional Abuse
- Sexual Abuse
- Household Mental Illness
- Household Substance Use
- Household Incarceration
- Parental Separation/Divorce
- Household Domestic Violence



Small Changes
Can Have
BIG Impacts

258

fewer county
residents
experiencing
4 or more ACEs
could lead to...

+\$12.4 Million

in annual economic
benefits resulting from
decreased losses
associated with lower
earnings, medical
costs, and workplace
absenteeism.