UNION COUNTY

Children 0-17 in households with incomes below the poverty level

- Union County: 27.8%
- South Carolina: 22.3%
- County Ranking: 17
- Improved from: 2013 - 2017

Children under age 18 whose resident parents are not in the labor force

- Union County: 10.0%
- South Carolina: 9.2%
- County Ranking: 24
- Improved from: 2013 - 2017

Owner-occupied housing where household spends at least 30 percent of their income on housing

- Union County: 17.7%
- South Carolina: 21.1%
- County Ranking: 24
- Improved from: 2013 - 2017

Teens age 16-19 not enrolled in school and not working

- Union County: 12.3%
- South Carolina: 7.1%
- County Ranking: 36
- Improved from: 2013 - 2017

Circumstances of children failing grades 1, 2, or 3

- Union County: 5.3%
- South Carolina: 3.8%
- County Ranking: 23
- Improved from: 2017

Third graders testing below state standards in English/Language Arts

- Union County: 70.9%
- South Carolina: 57.9%
- County Ranking: 31
- N/A

Eighth graders testing below state standards in math

- Union County: 82.5%
- South Carolina: 65.5%
- County Ranking: 35
- N/A

Dropouts as a percentage of the total enrollment for grades 9-12

- Union County: 2.4%
- South Carolina: 2.2%
- County Ranking: 27
- Improved from: 2016 - 2017

Children living in single parent families

- Union County: 56.5%
- South Carolina: 40.5%
- County Ranking: 40
- Improved from: 2013 - 2017

Families where householder lacks a high school diploma

- Union County: 13.9%
- South Carolina: 10.8%
- County Ranking: 26
- Improved from: 2013 - 2017

Children living in concentrated areas of poverty

- Union County: 0.0%
- South Carolina: 11.9%
- County Ranking: 1
- Improved from: 2013 - 2017

Births to teens 15 to 19 years of age, rate per 1,000

- Union County: 40.2
- South Carolina: 21.7
- County Ranking: 40
- Improved from: 2017

Lower county rankings (e.g. #1) indicates better outcomes. There are 46 counties in South Carolina.

The data source for each indicator can be found at datacenter.kidscount.org/data#SC.

N.A. = Not Available
Why is this important?
Children’s Trust of South Carolina produces the child well-being profiles for each county in South Carolina. They provide us with a snapshot into the status of children and families in South Carolina.

When children thrive, they meet educational milestones, live in economically stable homes and in supportive communities, and they are more likely to grow into productive, contributing members of our state.

However, as the profiles show, too many of South Carolina’s children live in environments that may put them at risk for negative outcomes, including child abuse and neglect.

How to use them?
These child well-being profiles can be used in a wide variety of ways: grant writing, community and coalition meetings, decision-making, policy and advocacy.

Where does this data come from?
This work, done in partnership with the Annie E. Casey Foundation (AECF) and the South Carolina Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office, is modeled after the AECF’s KIDS COUNT state and national profiles.

When county-level data are available, the profiles use the same indicators as KIDS COUNT. When county-level data are not available, the profiles use proxies for the KIDS COUNT indicators.

Questions?
Want to host a data conversation in your community?
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