

Reasons Youth <18 Years Old Entered Foster Care during SFY 2023-2024

Note: Because children often enter Foster Care for more than one reason, total # of removal reasons is greater than the total # of children who entered Foster Care.

County of Origin (County in Which Child Entered Foster Care) # of Children Who Entered	Reasons Youth Entered Foster Care During SFY 2023-2024 (Removal Reasons)																																		
	24-hr Medical Hold (Child)	Abandonment	Child Alcohol Use	Child Drug Use	Child Behavior Problem	Death of Caretaker	Diagnosed Condition	Homelessness	Inadequate Housing	Incarceration of Caretaker	Neglect	Physical Abuse	Runaway	Caretaker's Alcohol Use	Caretaker's Drug Use	Caretaker's Significant Impairment Cognitive	Caretaker's Significant Impairment-Physical/Emotional	Child Requested Placement	Domestic Violence	Education Neglect	Failure to Return	Family Conflict Related to Child's Sexual Orientation, Gender Id	Inadequate Access to Medical Services	Inadequate Access to Mental Health Services	Medical Neglect	Prenatal Alcohol Exposure	Prenatal Drug Exposure	Prenatal Immigration Detainment or Deportation	Sex Trafficking	Sexual Abuse	Whereabouts Unknown				
STATE TOTAL	2,761	2	140	1	18	105	22	8	74	146	85	1,903	528	48	76	346	27	33	9	159	131	4	4	17	11	81	1	74	2	29	99	8			
Abbeville	15				3	1				1	14	2			3				2	1			2	2	3		1								
Anderson	92		4	1	3	5	1		9	13	2	35	10	2	15	2	1		10	1							4				7				
Cherokee	35		1		1						31	6																							
Greenville	243		14		3	10	7		14	23	10	194	53	7	6	48		7	2	16	12	1		6		7	6	2	4	13					
Greenwood	56					2					45	16				4				4							2								
Laurens	54		1			1			1	8	3	48	1		5	11											1		2	2					
Newberry	6					2					3							2																	
Oconee	43		1			2					35	10		1	6							1				1	3								
Pickens	31					2		1		5	23	5		4	12					5		1	1				1								
Spartanburg	176		2			15	2		3	7	10	107	25	4	6	28	1	2		13						5		5		1	8	2			
Union	21	1	2								4	17	4	1	1	5																			
Upstate Reg.	772	1	25	1	9	42	10	1	27	57	29	552	132	14	23	132	3	12	2	52	16	2	1	8	2	16	0	23	2	7	32	2			
Aiken	78		1								54	22			3					5							2			1					
Bamberg	5		2								2				2													1							
Barnwell	7		1								4	3	1								1														
Chester	36		1			2					29	4			4								1												
Edgefield	9										5	4																							
Fairfield	15								1		14				8					5															
Kershaw	45				2	1	2	1			25	10			6					3	3						2								
Lancaster	57		5			7		2	2		37	8			15	4				2	6						2			2		1			
Lexington	121		2			5	1		1		109	28	3	2	18		2			6						1	1		1	5					
Richland	356		15		4	8	3	1	15	15	131	108	15	5	34	3	3		29	11		3			5	4	7	21	1						
Saluda	6									1	2	4	1		1										2										
York	72		5			5			7	20		55	11	4		7	1	4	2	5	10				3	1	13		1	1					
Midlands Reg.	807	0	32	0	6	28	6	4	25	37	17	469	199	23	7	98	8	9	2	45	41	0	3	0	1	15	1	23	0	11	27	1			
Allendale	2					1																													
Beaufort	54		2		1	1				4	1	34	13	1		5				7			3		8		2		2	5					
Berkeley	131		12			2			3		2	95	39	2		8	4			6	8			2	1	7			1	8	2				
Calhoun	2										2																								
Charleston	197		24			9	4	3	7	11	13	144	41	3	17	17	5	7	2	17	22		1	3	7		8								
Colleton	47					1			1	1	43	1			3	1				4							1		1						
Dorchester	73		5			4			1		54	13	4		7		1			3					2		5	4	1						
Hampton	10										9					3				3															
Jasper	15		2		1	1				3	11	7		1	1												2								
Orangeburg	108		3			1					3	94	6		2					5	4					4									
Lowcuntry Reg.	639	0	48	0	2	19	5	3	12	19	19	486	120	10	20	41	13	8	2	35	44	0	0	6	4	28	0	18	0	8	27	3			
Chesterfield	9		1			1					6				1					1															
Clarendon	29		2						3		24	5			2					3						8		2							
Darlington	55		1			1					47	2								1	3					2									
Dillon	38		2								35	1	1		1													1							
Florence	68		4			5	1		4	1	52	7			4	3	1	3	10	3	1		1	2		1	1		1	1					
Georgetown	24		2							5	17	6			6	6				2	1			1			3								
Horry	215		5		1	8			4	15	17	137	40		20	44		3		9	20			3	2	8		3							
Lee	20	1							1	3	18	4			3																				
Marion	25		5			1			2	8	20	2			10											1									
Marlboro	22		1								17				4					4		1													
Sumter	23		6								15	8														1									
Williamsburg	15		6								8	2																							
Pee Dee Reg.	543	1	35	0	1	16	1	0	10	33	20	396	77	1	26	75	3	4	3	27	30	2	0	3	4	22	0	10	0	3	13	2			