

Estimated Need for Family-Like Settings for Children and Youth under 18 years of age by county of origin

As of March 1, 2025

Region	County of Origin	All Children in Foster Care	Estimated Need in County for Family-Like Placements	Estimated Need in County for Family-Like Homes*
Upstate Total		927	529	265
	Abbeville	19	11	6
	Anderson	119	78	39
	Cherokee	36	24	12
	Greenville	288	149	75
	Greenwood	27	20	10
	Laurens	100	62	31
	Newberry	14	9	5
	Oconee	72	44	22
	Pickens	49	36	18
	Spartanburg	192	91	46
	Union	11	5	3
Midlands Total		1079	543	272
	Aiken	109	52	26
	Bamberg	2	2	1
	Barnwell	9	3	2
	Chester	40	27	14
	Edgefield	21	18	9
	Fairfield	17	8	4
	Kershaw	90	48	24
	Lancaster	74	39	20
	Lexington	125	62	31
	McCormick	5	2	1
	Richland	416	191	96
	Saluda	12	10	5
	York	159	81	41
Low Country Total		666	378	189
	Allendale	4	3	2
	Beaufort	59	31	16
	Berkeley	146	77	39
	Calhoun	1	1	1
	Charleston	213	127	64
	Colleton	52	30	15
	Dorchester	56	43	22
	Hampton	16	7	4
	Jasper	29	23	12
	Orangeburg	90	36	18
Pee Dee Total		594	301	151
	Chesterfield	13	7	4
	Clarendon	38	26	13
	Darlington	91	62	31
	Dillon	34	21	11
	Florence	69	22	11
	Georgetown	25	5	3
	Horry	181	83	42
	Lee	13	10	5
	Marion	49	28	14
	Marlboro	8	8	4
	Sumter	48	23	12
	Williamsburg	25	6	3
Statewide Total		3266	1751	876

Please see the readme on formulas used to construct the estimated need.

* Estimated Need in County for Family-Like Homes assumes an average of 2 children per home. Thus total needed placements are divided by 2.