

Reasons Youth <18 Years Old Entered Foster Care during SFY 2024-2025

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 2024-2025 (Removal Reasons)																																			
	Abandonment	Child Alcohol Use	Child Drug Use	Child Behavior Problem	Death of Caretaker	Diagnosed Condition	Homelessness	Inadequate Housing	Incarceration of Caretaker	Neglect	Physical Abuse	Public Agency Title IV-E Agreement	Caretaker's Alcohol Use	Caretaker's Drug Use	Caretaker's Significant Impairment Cognitive 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	Parental Immigration Detainment or Deportation	Prenatal Alcohol Exposure	Prenatal Drug Exposure	Psychological or Emotional Abuse	Runaway	Sex Trafficking	Sexual Abuse	Voluntary Relinquishment for Adoption	Whereabouts Unknown				
<b>STATE TOTAL</b>	<b>2,815</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>1,889</b>	<b>574</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>335</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>169</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>186</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>8</b>		
Abbeville	7									2	6	1		3	2																					
Anderson	83	2		2	5	3		9	23		15	8		4	27	2	5	1	18				1													
Cherokee	28				1						23				2								2													
Greenville	254	8	2	7				9	8	12	208	58		10	46	1	4		11	6	1		2	3												
Greenwood	32	1					1				3	17		1	2	3																				
Laurens	80	3	2	1					2		55	18		1	10				6	3			2													
Newberry	14	1						1	2	2	10	1			7				4																	
Oconee	77	6				1			2		68	11			1				1				1													
Pickens	35	4	2	2	2	1			1	1	28	2		9	2	3			6		1	2	1													
Spartanburg	171	2		2	10				1	7	3	120	49		2	18			4	4	8			6												
Union	14				1			1			3	5		1	2				1	2			2													
<b>Upstate Reg.</b>	<b>795</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>553</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>		
Aiken	77	2				1			1	2	71	2			2																					
Bamberg	0																																			
Barnwell	11			1	1			2		2	6	1		5	1					1																
Chester	32	1							2	1	24	4		1	1	1				5			3													
Edgefield	9	1									2	5											1													
Fairfield	10			2					4	1	7	2																								
Kershaw	49	7						2	2		34	11			9	3						1		1												
Lancaster	58	1		1							47	10			15				1	8	2															
Lexington	104	2		1	8	2			3		84	27		2	17																					
McCormick	10	2									8	2											1													
Richland	353	25		1	20		3	22	3	9	115	118		8	20	16	8		16	9		2		25												
Saluda	11									6	7	2			4																					
York	116	7		4				12	16	2	82	17		1	12	4	14			7	2															
<b>Midlands Reg.</b>	<b>840</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>487</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>		
Allendale	4										3																									
Beaufort	41	2		2					6		24	2		2					7	9			2	4												
Berkeley	167	18		4				7	6	7	105	44		5	16	1	5		8	3			1	6												
Calhoun	0																																			
Charleston	200	22		12				22	8	13	149	32		13	36	3	6	1	23	19	2		2	6												
Colleton	46	4						7	2	31	11			8	8																					
Dorchester	37	6			1	1	3	1	1	18	9			1	5		2		4	2																
Hampton	17										12	3																								
Jasper	16			1				3	1		14				1	1																				
Orangeburg	103	1						3			97	8										1		1												
<b>Lowcntry Reg.</b>	<b>631</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>453</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>		
Chesterfield	12	1									4	5			1																					
Clarendon	13				1	1			3		8	2			3					5	4															
Darlington	63	3		2							49	3																								
Dillon	23										23																									
Florence	59	4			1				2		51	13			2	3	3		2	2	1															
Georgetown	15	1		2							8	1			2																					
Horry	196	6	1	2	8	3		7	14	24	145	41		13	42	2	3		27	26																
Lee	11										5	5																								
Marion	72	11		2					7		43	7	1		5	2			3																	
Marlboro	5										3	2																								
Sumter	44	1		1						1	33	12			1																					
Williamsburg	36	7								2	24	11																								
<b>Pee Dee Reg.</b>	<b>549</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>396</b>																									