

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

As of September 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		897	525	263
	Abbeville	9	6	3
	Anderson	115	67	34
	Cherokee	33	23	12
	Greenville	298	168	84
	Greenwood	24	20	10
	Laurens	102	74	37
	Newberry	14	7	4
	Oconee	71	40	20
	Pickens	45	30	15
	Spartanburg	170	83	42
	Union	16	7	4
Midlands Total		1074	535	268
	Aiken	93	48	24
	Bamberg	2	1	1
	Barnwell	6	2	1
	Chester	41	25	13
	Edgefield	10	10	5
	Fairfield	16	8	4
	Kershaw	86	37	19
	Lancaster	85	36	18
	Lexington	134	77	39
	McCormick	6	4	2
	Richland	422	193	97
	Saluda	20	9	5
	York	153	85	43
Low Country Total		703	386	193
	Allendale	5	5	3
	Beaufort	61	27	14
	Berkeley	157	73	37
	Calhoun	1	1	1
	Charleston	219	128	64
	Colleton	60	38	19
	Dorchester	56	42	21
	Hampton	17	6	3
	Jasper	30	23	12
	Orangeburg	97	43	22
Pee Dee Total		651	287	144
	Chesterfield	15	4	2
	Clarendon	31	18	9
	Darlington	95	53	27
	Dillon	18	8	4
	Florence	73	26	13
	Georgetown	16	5	3
	Horry	208	93	47
	Lee	19	10	5
	Marion	60	18	9
	Marlboro	9	7	4
	Sumter	63	26	13
	Williamsburg	44	19	10
Statewide Total		3325	1733	867

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.