

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

As of March 1, 2026

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*
<b>Upstate Total</b>		<b>904</b>	<b>528</b>	<b>264</b>
	Abbeville	8	6	3
	Anderson	110	67	34
	Cherokee	32	21	11
	Greenville	284	151	76
	Greenwood	34	26	13
	Laurens	109	76	38
	Newberry	5	4	2
	Oconee	68	41	21
	Pickens	49	30	15
	Spartanburg	184	97	49
	Union	21	9	5
<b>Midlands Total</b>		<b>1119</b>	<b>554</b>	<b>277</b>
	Aiken	89	49	25
	Bamberg	4	1	1
	Barnwell	7	1	1
	Chester	32	21	11
	Edgefield	11	8	4
	Fairfield	26	11	6
	Kershaw	88	39	20
	Lancaster	86	40	20
	Lexington	147	97	49
	McCormick	5	3	2
	Richland	454	204	102
	Saluda	17	4	2
	York	153	76	38
<b>Low Country Total</b>		<b>673</b>	<b>384</b>	<b>192</b>
	Allendale	8	6	3
	Beaufort	42	16	8
	Berkeley	172	83	42
	Calhoun			
	Charleston	185	120	60
	Colleton	53	30	15
	Dorchester	58	46	23
	Hampton	25	9	5
	Jasper	29	20	10
	Orangeburg	101	54	27
<b>Pee Dee Total</b>		<b>648</b>	<b>280</b>	<b>140</b>
	Chesterfield	18	12	6
	Clarendon	32	21	11
	Darlington	68	41	21
	Dillon	25	14	7
	Florence	84	34	17
	Georgetown	26	11	6
	Horry	215	81	41
	Lee	17	7	4
	Marion	45	16	8
	Marlboro	15	4	2
	Sumter	60	29	15
	Williamsburg	43	10	5
<b>Statewide Total</b>		<b>3344</b>	<b>1746</b>	<b>873</b>

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.