

Background Information

Demographic Data

Number of Children: 2000 and 2005

	2000	2005	NUMBER CHANGE	PERCENT CHANGE
All children under age 18	1,009,472	1,027,202	17,730	2%

Race and Hispanic Origin of Children: 2000 and 2005

	2000	2005	NUMBER CHANGE	PERCENT CHANGE
White*	587,423	596,606	9,183	2%

	2000	2005	NUMBER CHANGE	PERCENT CHANGE
Black/African American*	368,188	356,844	-11,344	-3%

	2000	2005	NUMBER CHANGE	PERCENT CHANGE
American Indian/Alaskan Native*	3,500	3,182	-318	-9%

	2000	2005	NUMBER CHANGE	PERCENT CHANGE
Asian and Pacific Islander*	8,946	10,726	1,780	20%

	2000	2005	NUMBER CHANGE	PERCENT CHANGE
More than one race*	13,301	15,976	2,675	20%

	2000	2005	NUMBER CHANGE	PERCENT CHANGE
Hispanic/Latino	28,114	43,868	15,754	56%

Immigrant Families: 2000 and 2005

	2000	2005	NUMBER CHANGE	PERCENT CHANGE
Children in immigrant families	46,000	70,000	24,000	52%

*Non-Hispanic/Latino

Child Health

	STATE	NATIONAL
Percent of children without health insurance: 2004	9%	11%

	STATE	NATIONAL
Number of children without health insurance: 2004	93,000	8,317,000

	STATE	NATIONAL
2-year-olds who were immunized: 2005	79%	83%

Economics and Education

	STATE	NATIONAL
Median income of families with children: 2005	\$45,000	\$53,000

	STATE	NATIONAL
Children in extreme poverty (income below 50% of poverty level): 2005	11%	8%

	STATE	NATIONAL
Children in low-income families (income below 200% of poverty level): 2005	47%	40%

	STATE	NATIONAL
Children in low-income families that spend more than 30% of their income on housing: 2005	56%	65%

	STATE	NATIONAL
4th grade students who scored below basic science level: 2005	36%	34%

	STATE	NATIONAL
8th grade students who scored below basic science level: 2005	46%	43%

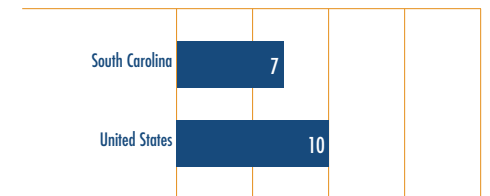
Living Arrangements of Children

	STATE	NATIONAL
Children in the care of grandparents: 2005	6%	5%

	STATE	NATIONAL
Children living with neither parent: 2005	7%	6%

Children in Foster Care

Number of children in foster care (per 1,000 children under age 18): 2004



	STATE	NATIONAL
Children under age 18 in foster care at any time in the year: 2004	7,296	726,062

	STATE	NATIONAL
Children above age 11 in foster care at any time in the year: 2004	3,605	352,814

	STATE	NATIONAL
Children who aged out of foster care without having a permanent family: 2004	333	22,718

Definitions and Data Sources can be found on page 182, or visit www.aecf.org/kidscount for detailed information.

South Carolina

Key Indicators	Percent Change Over Time										Trend Data		National Rank	
	W O R S E					Z E R O	B E T T E R					STATE	NATIONAL	<i>National Rank is based on most recent available data</i>
Percent low-birthweight babies 2000–2004						5						2000: 9.7 2004: 10.2	2000: 7.6 2004: 8.1	[47]
Infant mortality rate (deaths per 1,000 live births) 2000–2004						7						2000: 8.7 2004: 9.3	2000: 6.9 2004: 6.8	[48]
Child death rate (deaths per 100,000 children ages 1–14) 2000–2004						0						2000: 25 2004: 25	2000: 22 2004: 20	[34]
Teen death rate (deaths per 100,000 teens ages 15–19) 2000–2004						0						2000: 86 2004: 86	2000: 67 2004: 66	[39]
Teen birth rate (births per 1,000 females ages 15–19) 2000–2004						10						2000: 58 2004: 52	2000: 48 2004: 41	[40]
Percent of teens who are high school dropouts (ages 16–19) 2000–2005						36						2000: 14 2005: 9	2000: 11 2005: 7	[36]
Percent of teens not attending school and not working (ages 16–19) 2000–2005						17						2000: 12 2005: 10	2000: 9 2005: 8	[40]
Percent of children living in families where no parent has full-time, year-round employment 2000–2005						16						2000: 31 2005: 36	2000: 32 2005: 34	[36]
Percent of children in poverty (income below \$19,806 for a family of two adults and two children in 2005) 2000–2005						21						2000: 19 2005: 23	2000: 17 2005: 19	[42]
Percent of children in single-parent families 2000–2005						9						2000: 35 2005: 38	2000: 31 2005: 32	[47]

▨ Patterned bars indicate national change. ■ Solid bars indicate state change.