

Demographic Change

Number of Children: 1990 and 2000

	1990	2000	NUMBER CHANGE	PERCENT CHANGE
Total	920,207	1,009,641	89,434	10%
Urban*	544,351	701,106	156,755	29%
Rural*	375,856	308,535	-67,321	-18%

Economic Conditions of Families

	STATE	NATIONAL
Median income of families with children: 2000	\$43,400	\$50,000
Children in extreme poverty (income below 50% of poverty level): 2000	8%	7%
Female-headed families receiving child support or alimony: 2000	33%	36%
Children under age 6 in paid child care while parents work: 2000	30%	26%

Child Health

	STATE	NATIONAL
Children without health insurance: 2000	13%	12%
2-year-olds who were immunized: 2001	81%	79%

*Based on Metropolitan Statistical Areas. For more information, see page 000.

Neighborhood Characteristics

	STATE	NATIONAL
Children in neighborhoods with a high poverty rate (above 18.6%): 2000	26%	23%
Children in neighborhoods with a high rate of males not in the labor force (above 38.1%): 2000	11%	14%
Children in neighborhoods with a high rate of female-headed families (above 35.2%): 2000	27%	17%
Children in neighborhoods with a high rate of high school dropouts (above 14.7%): 2000	33%	25%

Technology/Isolation

	STATE	NATIONAL
Children without Internet access at home: 2000	59%	52%
Children without a telephone at home: 2001	4%	3%
Children without a vehicle at home: 2001	7%	7%

Education

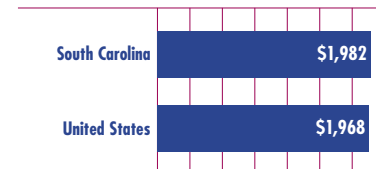
	STATE	NATIONAL
3- and 4-year-olds enrolled in nursery school, preschool, or kindergarten: 2000	54%	49%
4th grade students who scored below basic science level: 2000	44%	36%

Reducing the Cost of Being Poor

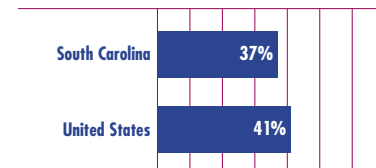
Number of households with children receiving Earned Income Tax Credit: 2000

313,000

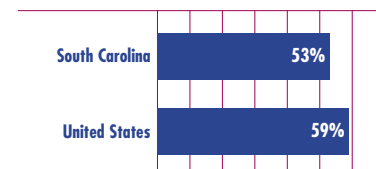
Average Earned Income Tax Credit for households with children: 2000



Households eligible for Food Stamps, but not receiving them: 2000



Low-income households with children where housing costs exceed 30% of income: 2001



South Carolina

SC

Overall Rank [42]

Indicators*	Percent Change from 1990 to 2000										Trend Data		National Rank
	W	O	R	S	E	ZERO	B	E	T	T	1990	2000	National Rank is based on 2000 figures
Percent low-birthweight babies 1990-2000						11					STATE 8.7 NATIONAL 7.0	9.7 7.6	[47]
Infant mortality rate (deaths per 1,000 live births) 1990-2000						26					STATE 11.7 NATIONAL 9.2	8.7 6.9	[45]
Child death rate (deaths per 100,000 children ages 1-14) 1990-2000						34					STATE 38 NATIONAL 31	25 22	[33]
Rate of teen deaths by accident, homicide, and suicide (deaths per 100,000 teens ages 15-19) 1990-2000						12					STATE 75 NATIONAL 71	66 51	[39]
Teen birth rate (births per 1,000 females ages 15-17) 1990-2000						26					STATE 47 NATIONAL 37	35 27	[41]
Percent of teens who are high school dropouts (ages 16-19) 1990-2000						0					STATE 11 NATIONAL 10	11 9	[35]
Percent of teens not attending school and not working (ages 16-19) 1990-2000						0					STATE 10 NATIONAL 10	10 8	[35]
Percent of children living in families where no parent has full-time, year-round employment 1990-2000						10					STATE 30 NATIONAL 30	27 24	[36]
Percent of children in poverty (data reflect poverty in 1989 and 1999) 1990-2000						10					STATE 21 NATIONAL 20	19 17	[36]
Percent of families with children headed by a single parent 1990-2000						16					STATE 25 NATIONAL 24	29 28	[32]

*See Definitions and Data Sources, page 000.

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