

**KIDS COUNT 2004**  
**TABLE II**

**WHAT WILL IT TAKE FOR ABBEVILLE COUNTY TO REACH THE NATIONAL AVERAGE?**

In order for South Carolina to improve its ranking, each county must make progress. The following table for the county shows the county's rank if it were a state, the required reduction to reach the national average, the current problem rate, and the county rate ratioed to the US problem rate:

<b>Indicators</b>	<b>Rate</b>	<b>Rank of County If it were a State</b>	<b>Number Reduction to reach US Average</b>	<b>Current Number*</b>	<b>Current Rate*</b>	<b>Ratio: County / US Rate</b>
<b>Low Birthweight Babies</b>	%	49	8	35	10.1	1.31
<b>Infant Mortality Rate</b>	Per 1,000	51	3	5	15.9	2.34
<b>Child Death Rate</b>	Per 100,000	1	**	1	13.3	0.60
<b>Violent Teen Deaths (15-19)</b>	Per 100,000	5	**	1	35.1	0.70
<b>Teen Birth Rate (15-17)</b>	Per 1,000	45	4	18	32.5	1.30
<b>Idle Teens (16-19)</b>	%	21	**	118	7.5	0.94
<b>Kids in Poverty</b>	%	34	52	1,165	17.8	1.05
<b>Kids w/Single Parent</b>	%	47	191	1,777	31.4	1.12

\*Average 2000-2002 data except Idle Teens, Kids w/Single Parent and Kids in Poverty (2000 data).

\*\*County is at or below national average already.