

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

**WHAT WILL IT TAKE FOR ANDERSON 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>	%	39	18	187	8.5	1.10
<b>Infant Mortality Rate</b>	Per 1,000	41	3	18	8.2	1.21
<b>Child Death Rate</b>	Per 100,000	42	2	9	28.4	1.29
<b>Violent Teen Deaths (15-19)</b>	Per 100,000	43	2	7	68.7	1.37
<b>Teen Birth Rate (15-17)</b>	Per 1,000	50	51	130	40.9	1.64
<b>Idle Teens (16-19)</b>	%	45	288	968	11.4	1.42
<b>Kids in Poverty</b>	%	27	**	6,340	15.7	0.92
<b>Kids w/Single Parent</b>	%	24	84	10,161	28.2	1.01

\*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.