

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

**WHAT WILL IT TAKE FOR DILLON 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>	%	51	18	57	11.3	1.47
<b>Infant Mortality Rate</b>	Per 1,000	51	2	5	10.6	1.56
<b>Child Death Rate</b>	Per 100,000	36	0	2	24.5	1.11
<b>Violent Teen Deaths (15-19)</b>	Per 100,000	33	0	1	56.5	1.13
<b>Teen Birth Rate (15-17)</b>	Per 1,000	50	23	41	58.1	2.32
<b>Idle Teens (16-19)</b>	%	51	123	278	14.3	1.79
<b>Kids in Poverty</b>	%	51	1,449	2,950	33.4	1.96
<b>Kids w/Single Parent</b>	%	51	985	2,994	41.7	1.49

\*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.