

2013 KIDS COUNT South Carolina data for
ANDERSON COUNTY

Number of children under 18 years of age 2010

44,533

South Carolina 1,080,474



**ECONOMIC
WELL-BEING**

Children 0-17 in households
with incomes below
the poverty level

2011

24.1%

South Carolina 27.5%

County Ranking **8**

Children living in families
where no parent is
in labor force

2007-II

8.4%

South Carolina 9.2%

County Ranking **13**

Owner-occupied housing
where household spends
at least 30 percent of their
income on housing

2007-II

21.6%

South Carolina 22.5%

County Ranking **12**

Teens age 16-19
not enrolled in school
and not working

2007-II

11.2%

South Carolina 36%

County Ranking **24**



EDUCATION

Cumulative percent
of children failing
grades 1, 2, or 3

2010

6.4%

South Carolina 7.4%

County Ranking **16**

Third graders
testing below state
standards in reading

2012

15.1%

South Carolina 19.7%

County Ranking **6**

Eighth graders
testing below state
standards in math

2012

25.4%

South Carolina 31.4%

County Ranking **9**

Dropouts as a percentage
of the total enrollment
for grades 9-12

2010-II

2.8%

South Carolina 2.8%

County Ranking **23**



HEALTH

Low-birthweight babies

2011

9.2%

South Carolina 9.9%

County Ranking **12**

Infant mortality rate
per 1,000

2011

8.5

South Carolina 7.4

County Ranking **27**

Child deaths, ages 1-14
per 100,000

2011

20.1

South Carolina 19.4

County Ranking **26**

Teen deaths, ages 15-19
per 100,000

2011

65.3

South Carolina 60.5

County Ranking **28**



**FAMILY AND
COMMUNITY**

Own children living in
single parent families

2010

32.7%

South Carolina 39.5%

County Ranking **10**

Children in families where
household head lacks a
high school diploma

2007-II

16.6%

South Carolina 13.8%

County Ranking **21**

Children living in
concentrated areas
of poverty

2007-II

10.7%

South Carolina 12.4%

County Ranking **10**

Births to teens 15 to 19
years of age

2011

48.7

South Carolina 39.1

County Ranking **33**

Anderson

Anderson School District 1: 864-847-7344

Anderson School District 2: 864-369-4708

Anderson School District 3: 864-348-6196

Anderson School District 4: 864-403-2000

Anderson School District 5: 864-260-5000

Anderson Interfaith Ministries

The AIM Backpack Program began in 1994 with guidance counselors requesting backpacks and school supplies for students, in need, at their schools. In the spring, AIM sends a letter all the guidance counselors in Anderson County's schools so they can contact us if they wish to participate in our Back to School Program. AIM provides school supplies to children in Anderson County who are less fortunate.

Another program for children through Anderson Interfaith Ministries is Food 4 Kids. During the summer months children in subsidized housing areas do not have the same access to food as they do during the school year. Many schools offer these children free or reduced price breakfast and lunch Monday through Friday. This lack of access to food can strain already tight household budgets in these locations. Given the existence of federally funded weekday feeding programs, we designed our program to focus on providing children with food for the weekend.

Phone: 864-226-2273

<http://www.aimcharity.org/home/>

United Way of Anderson County

Through the Weekend Back Pack Program teachers and counselors at all elementary schools in Anderson County identify children who are at the greatest risk of falling into the Weekend Meal Gap. Free and reduced breakfasts and lunches are only available during the week, so the program provides needy children with meals to take home on Fridays. Each enrolled child receives a bag of child-friendly, ready-to-eat foods on Friday to take home for the weekend, when school meals are not available. Children return to school on Monday, well-fed and ready to learn.

Phone: 864-226-3438

Email: united.way@uwandersoncty.com

<http://www.unitedwayofanderson.org/>

The Salvation Army Boys & Girls Club

For over 50 years The Salvation Army Boys & Girls Clubs have been unique places created by The Salvation Army that offer programs and services that exemplify and actively practice Christian principles. This is done in a way that causes recipients of our services to learn to admire the values, ethics and skills presented, and incorporate them into their own lives. To reach today's young people and their families in a non-threatening way, our Clubs create an accepting, positive and challenging environment where young people of every background, circumstance, race, creed and religion feel welcomed. As part of the Salvation Army's family and services, this program is offered to the poorest and neediest among us. It is

for this reason that The Salvation Army Boys & Girls Clubs are so vital to The Salvation Army's mission and ministry.

Phone: 864-226-3644

<http://salvationarmysouth.org/ministries/boys-girls-club-america/>

Anderson School District 1 Mentors

Anderson School District 1 is looking for mentors to meet with individual students on a weekly basis. Both male and female mentors are needed, particularly in the Palmetto area of the district.

Phone: 864-847-7344 (District Office)

<http://www.anderson1.k12.sc.us/asd1>