

EDGEFIELD COUNTY

Number of children under 18 years of age

2010

5,270

South Carolina 1,080,474

ECONOMIC
WELL-BEINGChildren 0-17 in households
with incomes below
the poverty level

2011

27.8%

South Carolina 27.5%

County Ranking 14

Children living in families
where no parent is
in labor force

2007-II

10.9%

South Carolina 9.2%

County Ranking 24

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

2007-II

22.0%

South Carolina 22.5%

County Ranking 16

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

2007-II

13.0%

South Carolina 36%

County Ranking 29



EDUCATION

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

2010

11.6%

South Carolina 7.4%

County Ranking 31

Third graders
testing below state
standards in reading

2012

26.2%

South Carolina 19.7%

County Ranking 32

Eighth graders
testing below state
standards in math

2012

24.5%

South Carolina 31.4%

County Ranking 8

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

2010-II

0.8%

South Carolina 2.8%

County Ranking 3



HEALTH

Low-birthweight babies

2011

11.5%

South Carolina 9.9%

County Ranking 28

Infant mortality rate
per 1,000

2011

6.4

South Carolina 7.4

County Ranking 13

Child deaths, ages 1-14
per 100,000

2011

N.A.

South Carolina 19.4

County Ranking N.A.

Teen deaths, ages 15-19
per 100,000

2011

56.8

South Carolina 60.5

County Ranking 23

FAMILY AND
COMMUNITYOwn children living in
single parent families

2010

35.1%

South Carolina 39.5%

County Ranking 16

Children in families where
household head lacks a
high school diploma

2007-II

13.9%

South Carolina 13.8%

County Ranking 14

Children living in
concentrated areas
of poverty

2007-II

7.2%

South Carolina 12.4%

County Ranking 6

Births to teens 15 to 19
years of age

2011

19.2

South Carolina 39.1

County Ranking 1

Edgefield

Edgefield County School District: 803-275-4601

International Reading Association—Edgefield Reading Council

Since 1956, IRA has been a nonprofit, global network of individuals and institutions committed to worldwide literacy. More than 53,000 members strong, the Association supports literacy professionals through a wide range of resources, advocacy efforts, volunteerism, and professional development activities. Our members promote high levels of literacy for all by improving the quality of reading instruction, disseminating research and information about reading, and encouraging the lifetime reading habit. The International Reading Association is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. We encourage our members and friends to consider making a gift to IRA to support our work promoting excellence in reading instruction.

Phone: 803-275-4601 (School District)

http://www.edgefieldcountyschools.org/pages/Edgefield_County_School_District/General_Info/Edgefield_Reading_Council

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

Friends of the Edgefield County Library

Our Friends groups are member-supported, nonprofit organizations that advocate, raise funds, and provide critical support to the ABBE (Aiken, Bamberg, Barnwell, and Edgefield) Regional Library System.

Phone: 803-637-4025

<http://www.abbe-lib.org/friends.asp#edgefield>

Edgefield County Youth Empowerment Center

Our organization was initially started in 2007 by Edgefield County Sheriff Adell Dobey and evolved from its beginning stages, where it was operated by the Sheriff's Office and had been known previously as the Carolina Youth Combat Systems. The organization was founded as a nonprofit 501 C 3 community-based organization to create a positive environment for the area's youth and provide services for youth who are at-risk. Marcella Edwards seized the reins as CEO on December 9, 2011, and changed the name to Edgefield County Youth Empowerment Center. Under her leadership, the scope of the services was expanded and additional programs were organized and implemented.

Phone: 803-624-0684

Email: ecyouthempowermentcenter@aol.com

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Edgefield-County-Youth-Empowerment-Center/200332310075817?sk=info>

Foundation for Public Schools in Edgefield County

The Foundation for Public Schools in Edgefield County is dedicated to providing resources to improve and enhance the educational opportunities available to all students. We believe an investment in our children is an investment in our community and in our future. The Foundation for Public Schools in Edgefield County relies on donations from people like you in order to provide resources to outstanding educators. Please join our efforts by making a donation.

<http://fpsec.org/>

Edgefield County Adult Education

The Department of Lifelong Learning offers many services including a GED and High School Diploma program. Day, night, and on-line classes are available, making it more flexible for working students. Classes are small, allowing for more individual attention for students. Call or email about possible volunteer opportunities.

Phone: 803-275-1788 ext. 24, 25

Email: literacy2030sc@gmail.com

http://literacy2030.org/tpx_lit_member/edgefield-county-adult-education/

Edgefield County First Steps

Since our inception in 1999, First Steps has helped hundreds of thousands of young children prepare for school through programs that provide early intervention, strengthen families, improve children's health and well-being, increase the quality of early care and education, and help transition rising kindergarteners into school.

Phone: 803-275-0800

Email: edgefieldcountyf@bellsouth.net

<http://scfirststeps.org/edgefield/>