

2013 KIDS COUNT South Carolina data for  
**SUMTER COUNTY**

Number of children under 18 years of age 2010

**26,962**

South Carolina 1,080,474



**ECONOMIC  
WELL-BEING**

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

2011

**27.9%**

South Carolina 27.5%

County Ranking **15**

Children living in families  
where no parent is  
in labor force

2007-II

**10.3%**

South Carolina 9.2%

County Ranking **23**

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

2007-II

**20.5%**

South Carolina 22.5%

County Ranking **6**

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

2007-II

**13.7%**

South Carolina 36%

County Ranking **36**



**EDUCATION**

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

2010

**11.5%**

South Carolina 7.4%

County Ranking **29**

Third graders  
testing below state  
standards in reading

2012

**20.5%**

South Carolina 19.7%

County Ranking **21**

Eighth graders  
testing below state  
standards in math

2012

**39.1%**

South Carolina 31.4%

County Ranking **31**

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

2010-II

**1.1%**

South Carolina 2.8%

County Ranking **5**



**HEALTH**

Low-birthweight babies

2011

**9.9%**

South Carolina 9.9%

County Ranking **19**

Infant mortality rate  
per 1,000

2011

**6.6**

South Carolina 7.4

County Ranking **14**

Child deaths, ages 1-14  
per 100,000

2011

**4.7**

South Carolina 19.4

County Ranking **11**

Teen deaths, ages 15-19  
per 100,000

2011

**52.8**

South Carolina 60.5

County Ranking **20**



**FAMILY AND  
COMMUNITY**

Own children living in  
single parent families

2010

**42.0%**

South Carolina 39.5%

County Ranking **29**

Children in families where  
household head lacks a  
high school diploma

2007-II

**15.4%**

South Carolina 13.8%

County Ranking **17**

Children living in  
concentrated areas  
of poverty

2007-II

**16.0%**

South Carolina 12.4%

County Ranking **19**

Births to teens 15 to 19  
years of age

2011

**44.2**

South Carolina 39.1

County Ranking **25**

## **Sumter**

*Sumter School District: 803-469-6900*

### **Sumter School District Partners in Education**

The Sumter Partners In Education program is a joint venture between the Greater Sumter Chamber of Commerce and Sumter School District. By establishing and maintaining creative, quality partnerships to support Sumter School District, our community is making a positive difference for Sumter's children. Individuals, businesses, and groups are all instrumental in the success of our partnership efforts. No business or organization is too large or small to serve as a partner. Each can contribute in a variety of ways, all of which are integral in ensuring each student receives the best education possible. Partner activities include financial contributions, in-kind donations and services, sponsorship of events and awards, attendance and academic incentives, internships, volunteering, and mentoring. In turn, schools offer the partners what they can in order to make the partnership truly beneficial for both partners.

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### **Sumter School District Volunteers**

Sumter School District is accepting volunteers willing to assist in any of the district's schools. All interested volunteers must first submit an application with references to the district office.

Phone: 803-469-6900

### **Sumter School District Mentors**

Sumter School District is accepting mentors who are willing to meet with assigned students on a weekly basis for at least one school year.

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[http://www.sumterschools.net/site\\_res\\_view\\_folder.aspx?id=17e5297f-e682-4e5d-a0d8-064a39005171](http://www.sumterschools.net/site_res_view_folder.aspx?id=17e5297f-e682-4e5d-a0d8-064a39005171)

### **Junior Achievement of Central South Carolina**

Our volunteer-delivered, kindergarten-12th grade programs foster work-readiness, entrepreneurship and financial literacy skills, and use experiential learning to inspire students to dream big and reach their potential. With the help of more than 202,000 volunteers, JA students develop the skills they need to experience the realities and opportunities of work and entrepreneurship in the 21st-century global marketplace.

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<https://www.juniorachievement.org/web/ja-centralsc/home>

### **The Salvation Army Boys & Girls Club of Sumter**

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: 803-775-5006

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