

# JASPER COUNTY

**6,210**

South Carolina 1,080,474



## ECONOMIC WELL-BEING

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

2011

**38.8%**

South Carolina 27.5%

County Ranking **37**

Children living in families where no parent is in labor force

2007-II

**7.1%**

South Carolina 9.2%

County Ranking **8**

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

2007-II

**31.3%**

South Carolina 22.5%

County Ranking **42**

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

2007-II

**6.2%**

South Carolina 36%

County Ranking **5**



## EDUCATION

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

2010

**3.2%**

South Carolina 7.4%

County Ranking **3**

Third graders testing below state standards in reading

2012

**40.2%**

South Carolina 19.7%

County Ranking **43**

Eighth graders testing below state standards in math

2012

**59.9%**

South Carolina 31.4%

County Ranking **42**

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

2010-II

**1.8%**

South Carolina 2.8%

County Ranking **11**



## HEALTH

Low-birthweight babies

2011

**11.7%**

South Carolina 9.9%

County Ranking **29**

Infant mortality rate per 1,000

2011

**8.8**

South Carolina 7.4

County Ranking **30**

Child deaths, ages 1-14 per 100,000

2011

**20.7**

South Carolina 19.4

County Ranking **27**

Teen deaths, ages 15-19 per 100,000

2011

**61**

South Carolina 60.5

County Ranking **26**



## FAMILY AND COMMUNITY

Own children living in single parent families

2010

**39.3%**

South Carolina 39.5%

County Ranking **20**

Children in families where household head lacks a high school diploma

2007-II

**18.2%**

South Carolina 13.8%

County Ranking **28**

Children living in concentrated areas of poverty

2007-II

**N.A.**

South Carolina 12.4%

County Ranking **N.A.**

Births to teens 15 to 19 years of age

2011

**53.8**

South Carolina 39.1

County Ranking **37**

## **Jasper**

*Jasper County School District: 843-717-1100*

### **Jasper County School District Volunteer Program**

The Jasper County School District Volunteer Program provides support and guidance to schools to help them facilitate their parent and community programs. We have many caring volunteers work in a variety of capacities; this program matches caring adults with students in need of extra attention. Children have shown improvement in the areas of behavior, self-esteem, relationships and academic achievement.

Phone: 843-717-1100 (School District)

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### **Boys & Girls Club of Jasper**

The mission of the Boys & Girls Club in the Lowcountry, and in every corner of the United States, is "to enable all young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as productive, caring, responsible citizens." Together with our neighbors, business partners, United Way and other foundations and grants, the Boys & Girls Clubs of the Lowcountry operates a nearly \$3 million dollar annual budget to invest in the futures of our community's children.

Phone: 843-717-1615

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<http://bgclowcountry.ezsiteLaunch.com/jasper.aspx>

### **Junior Achievement of Coastal 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.

Phone: 843-745-7050

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

### **Jasper County First Steps**

Jasper County First Steps is a comprehensive early childhood education initiative. We exist to ensure Jasper County's children are ready for school success.

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: 843-726-5100

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