



## Total Children Analysis

January 1, 2025 - December 31, 2025

### Children Served

**14,184**

Total Children Served by SC Children's Advocacy Centers in 2025

### Regional Breakdown

#### Upstate

Total Children Served: **3,353**

Regional CACs: **4**

**23.6%**

#### Midlands

Total Children Served: **3,829**

Regional CACs: **6**

**27.0%**

#### Lowcountry

Total Children Served: **3,916**

Regional CACs: **4**

**27.6%**

#### Pee Dee

Total Children Served: **3,086**

Regional CACs: **3**

**21.8%**

### Services Provided

Service Type	% of Total Children	Total Services
Case Management/Case Coordination	87.1%	60,921
Victim Advocacy	44.4%	17,215
Mental Health Treatment	12.1%	11,654
Onsite Forensic Interviewing	58.2%	8,459
Medical Evaluations	20.8%	3,059
Mental Health Screenings/Assessments	4.4%	2,213
Other Services	30.5%	6,437
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>109,958</b>

Note: Other Services include Mental Health Referrals, Other Referrals, Crisis Intervention, Prevention, and Other services.

## Average Time to Forensic Interview

This chart displays the average number of days between the CAC intake date and the first completed forensic interview service date. Only cases with both dates occurring in 2025 were included.

CAC Site	Total # of 1st FI Services	Avg Days (Intake to FI)	% Within 14 Days	% Within 30 Days
Midlands Region	2,378	14.9	59.8%	93.4%
Pee Dee Region	1,930	15.7	53.2%	92.1%
Upstate Region	1,832	18.1	43.1%	90.0%
Lowcountry Region	1,650	18.2	49.8%	88.4%
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>7,790</b>	<b>16.5</b>	<b>52.1%</b>	<b>91.2%</b>

Note: Excluded cases consisted of 429 cases with intake dates prior to 2025 and 83 cases with invalid intake-to-FI date ranges. These records reflect data entry errors and were excluded to avoid skewing the results.

## Allegations Breakdown

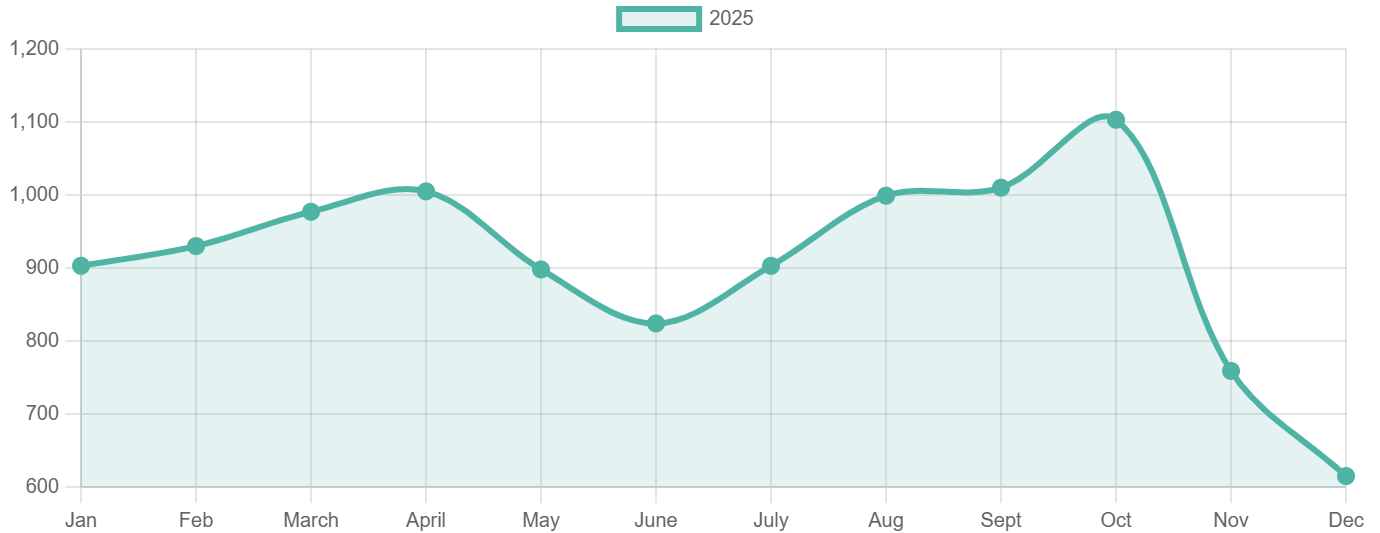
This chart provides an overview of the types of allegations associated with children served in 2025. It displays the distribution of allegation categories to help better understand the nature and complexity of cases served by CACs across the state.

Allegation	Number of Children	% of Total Children
Sexual Abuse	6,342	44.7%
Physical Abuse	4,537	32.0%
Witness to Violence (Interpersonal/Family/Community)	2,333	16.4%
Neglect	1,434	10.1%
Drug Endangered	686	4.8%
Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children (CSEC)	536	3.8%
Child Sex Trafficking	166	1.2%
Child Labor Trafficking	12	0.1%
Other	1,444	10.2%
Not Reported	1,299	9.2%
<b>STATEWIDE</b>	<b>18,789</b>	<b>100%</b>

Note: Many children included in this chart have more than one allegation type associated with their case. As a result, children may be counted in multiple categories, which is why the combined totals in this chart do not equal the total number of children served.

## MDT Referral Rate

The line graph below illustrates the number of CAC referrals received each month during 2025. Tracking referrals over time helps identify trends, seasonal patterns, and changes in service demand, providing insight into how referral activity fluctuates throughout the year.



## Primary Referral Source

The chart below provides a breakdown of the type of agencies that initially referred the cases displayed in the line graph above. This chart includes only cases in which both the CAC case intake date and service dates occurred in 2025.

Primary Referral Source	% of DSS Involved Cases
CPS	56.6%
Law Enforcement	31.7%
Other	11.8%

Note: "CPS" refers to the South Carolina Department of Social Services as well as out-of-state child protective services.

## Methodology Notes

- Valid Cases Definition:** 1) Children served in 2025 met ALL criteria: Age at Intake  $\leq$  18 (nulls excluded), and had at least one attended service in 2025 (excluding intake processing services). 2) Vulnerable Adults who received a forensic interview service in 2025.
- Time to Forensic Interview:** Calculated as days elapsed from Case Intake Date (1/1/2025-12/31/2025) to first attended Onsite forensic interviewing service in 2025. Only cases with valid intake dates (non-null) and positive day calculations (intake date  $\leq$  service date) were included. For cases with multiple forensic interviews, only the first interview was counted.
- MDT Referral Rate:** Of the total children served in 2025, shows the referral month of those with a CAC case intake date between 1/1/2025-12/31/2025, regardless of referral source.