

KENNEBEC COUNTY: 1992

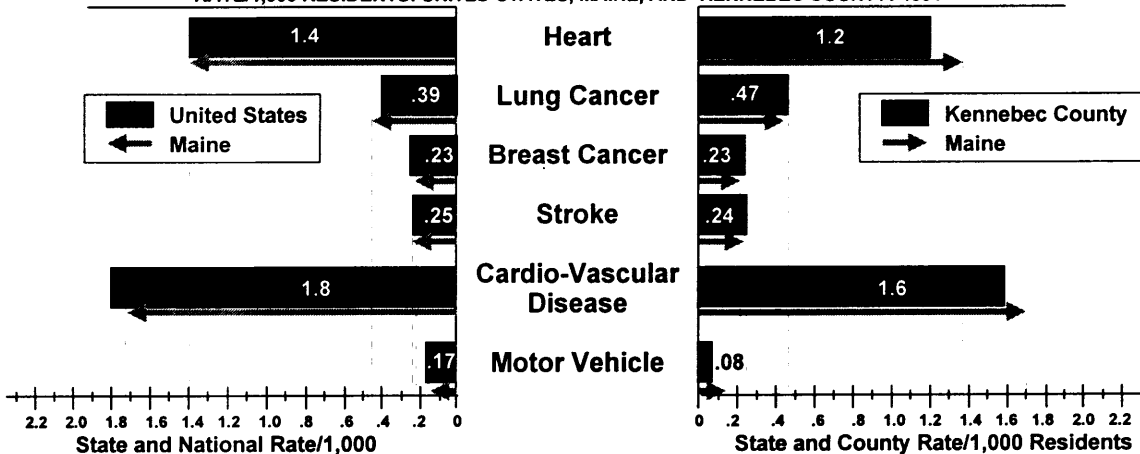
Health Status Indicators

- ➔ **Population:** In 1992, the population of Kennebec county was 117,143, making it Maine's 4th most populous county.
- ➔ **Population Aged 65 and Older:** In 1992, 16,381 county residents were 65 years old or older, about 14% of the county population (the state average is also 14%). Nationally, residents 65 years old and older comprise 12.7% of the country's population.

6.4%	18.7%	40.9%	20.1%	14.0
0-4	5 - 17 Yrs.	18 - 44 Yrs.	45 - 64 Yrs.	65+ Yrs.

- ➔ **Births:** There were 1,463 births to residents of Kennebec county; this yielded a county birth rate of 12.5 births for every 1,000 residents; this is significantly less than the national rate of 14.9 births/1,000 residents.
- ➔ **Adolescent births(10-17 years old):** 3.4% of all live births in this county were to teen-age mothers; the national figure is 3.8%.
- ➔ **Low birth weight babies:** In Kennebec county, 6.3% of all live births resulted in babies weighing less than 2500 grams (5 1/2 pounds). This compares to the national figure of 5.8%.
- ➔ **Deaths:** There were 1,085 deaths to county residents in 1992. The age-adjusted death rate*, 4.7, compares to the national rate of 4.9.

AGE-ADJUSTED DEATH RATES* BY SELECTED CAUSES OF DEATH
RATE/1,000 RESIDENTS: UNITED STATES, MAINE, AND KENNEBEC COUNTY: 1991



- ➔ **Infant Deaths**:** The county infant death rate was 4.9 deaths per 1,000 live births; this compares well to the national rate of 7.3 deaths (the difference is statistically significant).

NOTES: See NOTES on the accompanying Fact Sheet: [Kennebec County - Health Care Resources](#)

* 1991 age-adjusted death rates are for underlying cause of death, U.S. rates are for whites only and are age adjusted to the US 1940 standard population; these are rates that have been standardized to eliminate differences due solely to variations in the age composition of the populations.

**Infant deaths were calculated using the average of the infant death rate for the three year period, 1990-1992.

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