

PISCATAQUIS COUNTY: 1992

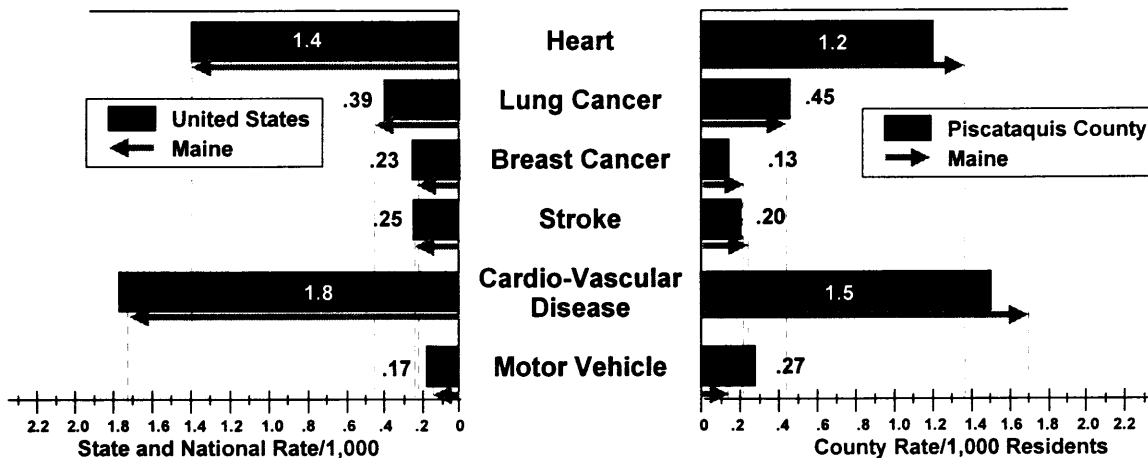
Health Status Indicators

- ➔ **Population:** In 1992, the population of Piscataquis county was 18,751, making it Maine's least populated county.
- ➔ **Population Aged 65 and Older:** In 1992, 3,174 county residents were 65 years old or older, about 17% of the county population; this is significantly greater than the national average of 12.7%. The state average is 14%.

Distribution of Population by Age Groups: Piscataquis county - 1992				
6.0%	20.4%	35.9%	20.8%	16.9%
0-4	5 - 17 Yrs.	18 - 44 Yrs.	45 - 64 Yrs.	65+ Yrs.

- ➔ **Births:** There were 188 births to residents of Piscataquis county; this yielded a county birth rate of 10.0 births for every 1,000 residents, the state's lowest birth rate and significantly less than the national rate of 14.9/1,000.
- ➔ **Adolescent births (10-17 years old):** 4.0% of all live births in this county were to adolescent mothers; the national figure is 3.8%.
- ➔ **Low birth weight babies:** In Piscataquis county, 4.9% of all live births resulted in babies weighing less than 2500 grams (5 1/2 pounds). This is significantly less than the national figure of 5.8%.
- ➔ **Deaths:** There were 227 deaths to county residents in 1992. The age-adjusted death rate was 4.9, the same as the national rate.

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



- ➔ **Infant Deaths**:** The county infant death rate was 6.0 deaths per 1,000 live births; significantly less than the national rate of 7.3 deaths.

NOTES: See NOTES on the accompanying Fact Sheet: Piscataquis County - Health Care Resources

* 1991 age-adjusted death rates are for underlying cause of death, U.S. rates are for whites only; rates 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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