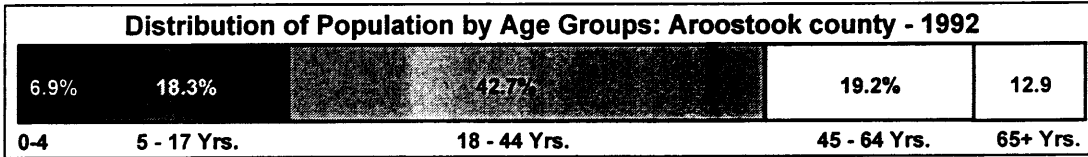


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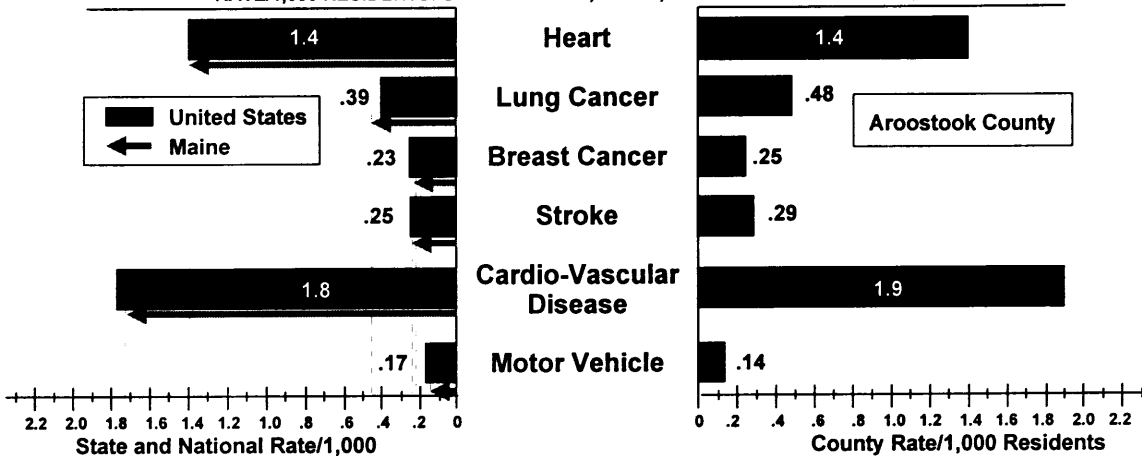
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- ➔ **Population:** In 1992, the population of Aroostook county was 87,109, making it Maine's 6th most populous county.
- ➔ **Population Aged 65 and Older:** In 1992, about 13% of the county population (11,260) was 65 years old or older (the state average is 14%). Nationally, this age group comprised 12.7% of the country's



- ➔ **Births:** There were 1,150 births to residents of Aroostook county; this yielded a county birth rate of 13.2 births for every 1,000 residents, significantly lower than the national rate of 14.9.
- ➔ **Adolescent Births (10-17 years old):** 3.1% of all live births in this county were to adolescent mothers, significantly less than the national rate (3.8%).
- ➔ **Low birth weight babies:** In Aroostook 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 778 deaths to county residents in 1992. The age-adjusted death rate*, 5.0, 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 AROOSTOOK COUNTY



- ➔ **Infant Deaths**:** The county infant death rate was 7.2 deaths per 1,000 live births; this compares to the national rate of 7.3 deaths.

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

* 1991 age-adjusted death rates are for underlying cause of death, 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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