

Case Information:

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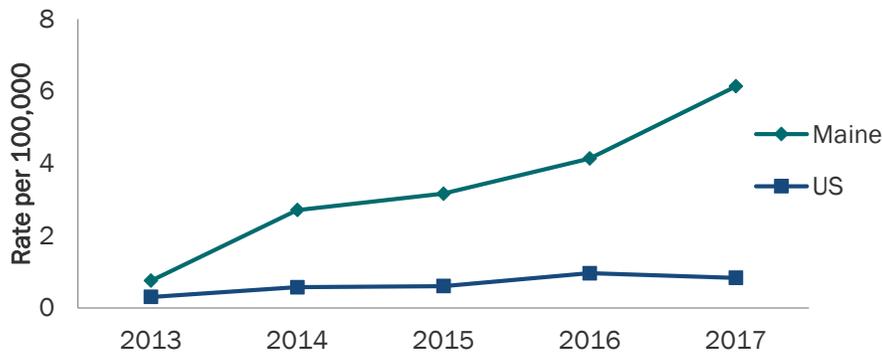
Patients diagnosed with babesiosis

8.8

Cases per 100,000 people

44%

Increase from 2016



Demographics:

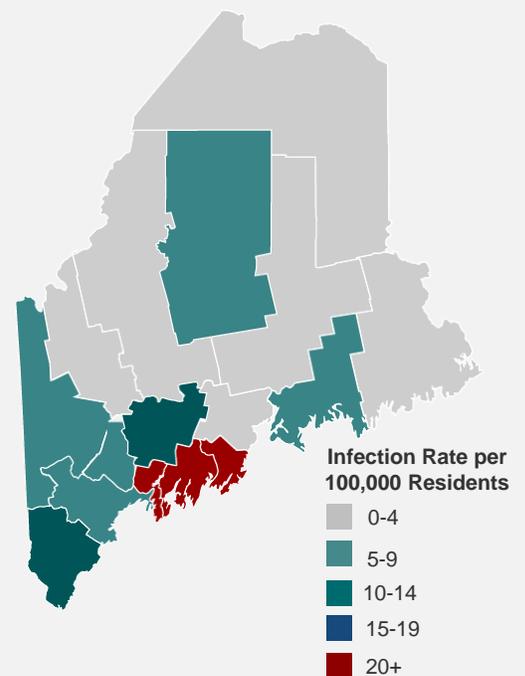


60% of patients were male

65 years old on average
Age range of 2-90 years

96% White

Geography:



Characteristics:



Highest rates among 65+ age group



12 People with babesiosis were co-infected with Lyme disease.



Signs and symptoms include extreme fatigue, aches, fever, chills, sweating, dark urine, and anemia



7 People with babesiosis were co-infected with anaplasmosis.

Hospitalizations:



- 44 (37%) patients were hospitalized
- 4% increase from 2016

Prevention:

- Wear long-sleeved, light-colored clothing
- Avoid wooded and brushy areas with high grass and leaf litter
- Check your clothing and gear for ticks and do a full-body tick check when coming back indoors

For more information visit:

- www.maine.gov/dhhs/babesiosis
- www.cdc.gov/babesiosis

