

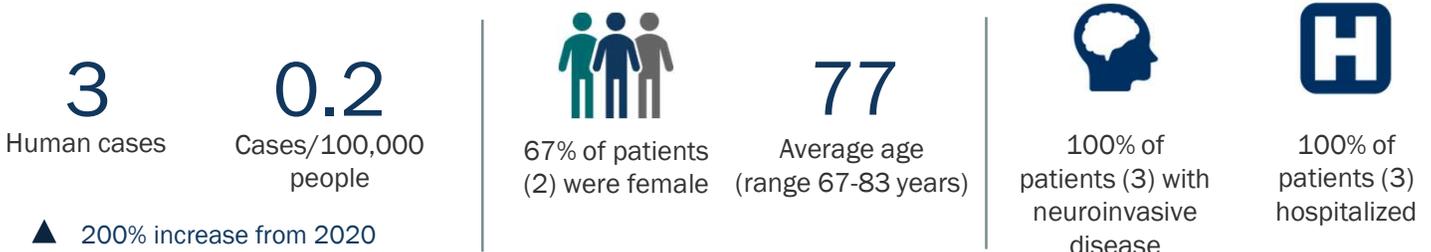


Other Tickborne Diseases

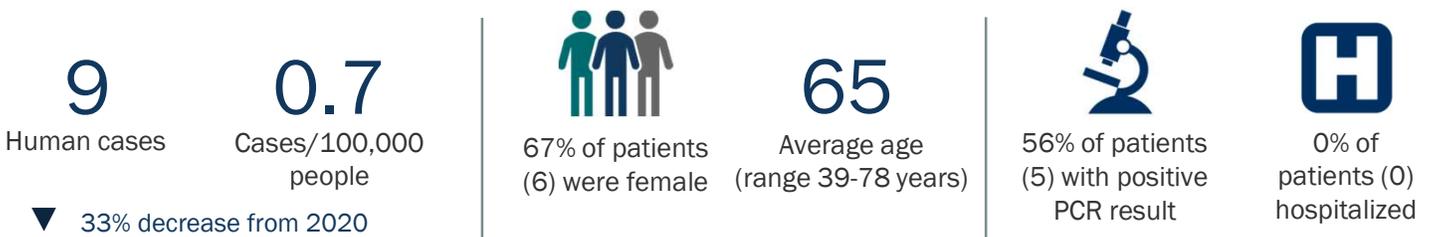
Powassan, Hard Tick Relapsing Fever, Ehrlichiosis, SFR, & STARI

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Powassan Encephalitis



Hard Tick Relapsing Fever (*Borrelia miyamotoi*)



Ehrlichiosis



Trends in 2021:

- Powassan and Hard Tick Relapsing Fever are currently endemic to Maine.
- Ehrlichiosis, SFR, and STARI are not currently endemic to Maine.
- This is the first report of STARI in a Maine resident in recent memory.
- All SFR cases to date are Probable cases. Maine has yet to report a Confirmed SFR case.

Spotted Fever Rickettsiosis (SFR)



Prevention:

- **Wear light-colored clothing**, including long-sleeved shirts, pants, and socks
- **Use EPA-approved repellents** for skin and clothing
- **Avoid infested areas** like wooded and brushy areas with high grass and leaf litter
- **Do a full-body tick check** including your clothing and gear when coming back indoors
- **Call a healthcare provider** if symptoms develop

Southern Tick-Associated Rash Illness* (STARI)

* Reported as an Emerging Infection in 2021



For more information visit:

- www.maine.gov/dhhs/vectorborne
- www.cdc.gov/ticks