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- Population: In 1992, the population of Oxford county was 52,612, making it Maine's 7th most populous county.
- Population Aged 65 and Older: In 1992, 8.024 county residents were 65 years old or older, over 15% of the county population and significantly greater than the national average of 12.7%. The state average was 14%.

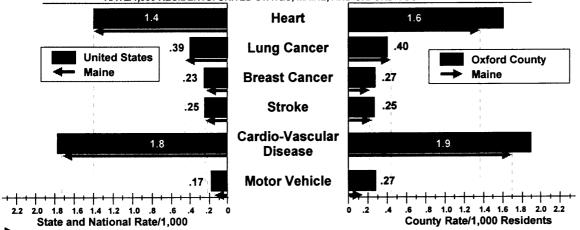
OXFORD COUNTY: 1992

Health Status Indicators

| Distribution of Population by Age Groups: Oxford county - 1992 | | | | |
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| 7.1% | 19.2% | | 20.2% | 15.3% |
| 0-4 | 5 - 17 Yrs. | 18 - 44 Yrs. | 45 - 64 Yrs. | 65+ Yrs. |

- Births: There were 674 births to residents of Oxford county; this yielded a county birth rate of 12.8 births for every 1,000 residents, significantly less than the national birth rate (14.9/1,000).
- Adolescent births (10-17 years old): 4.7% of all live births in this county were to adolescent mothers; this was significantly greater than the national figure of 3.8%.
- Low birth weight babies: In Oxford county, 5.5% 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 494 deaths to county residents in 1992. The age-adjusted death rate*, 5.1, 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 OXFORD COUNTY: 1991



Infant Deaths**: The county infant death rate was 6.2 deaths per 1,000 live births; this was significantly less than the national rate of 7.3

NOTES: See NOTES on the accompanying Fact Sheet: Oxford 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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