

LEADING CAUSES OF DEATH, MAINE: 1994 BIRTH - 14 YEARS OLD

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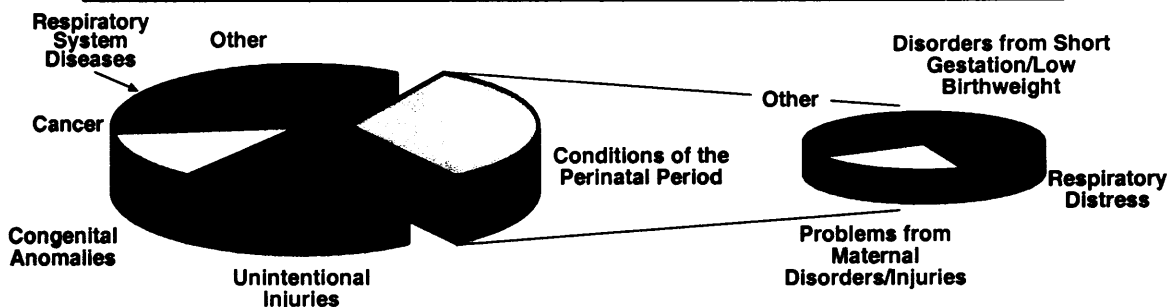
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Five Leading Causes of Death: 1994 Maine Residents, Birth - 14 Years Old

<u>Cause of Death</u>	<u>Deaths</u>
Conditions of the Perinatal Period	43
Unintentional Injuries	26
Congenital Anomalies	18
Cancer	8
Respiratory System Diseases	7
All Other Causes	31
Total Deaths	



- ➔ In 1994, 133 Maine residents younger than 15 years old died. This resulted in a statewide death rate of 52 deaths per 100,000 children. This was comparable to the national rate of 54.^{1,2}
- ➔ Two thirds of the deaths to Maine's youth occurred to children younger than 1 year old. The majority of these deaths (59 of them) were the result of perinatal conditions (including birth trauma as well as conditions resulting from maternal disorders and injuries) and congenital anomalies.
- ➔ Of those deaths to children between 1 and 14 years old (45), almost half (21) died as the result of unintentional injuries.
- ➔ In 1994, 6 Maine residents younger than 15 years old died as the result of homicide or other injuries purposely inflicted by others.

All rates are for underlying cause of death and are age-adjusted to the US 1940 standard population; these rates have been standardized to eliminate differences due solely to variations in the age composition of the populations. US rates are for whites only. Age specific rates cannot be age adjusted. Unless noted, differences in rates are not statistically significant, i.e., they could be accounted for by chance alone.

Footnotes 1, 2: Full citations will be provided upon request.

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