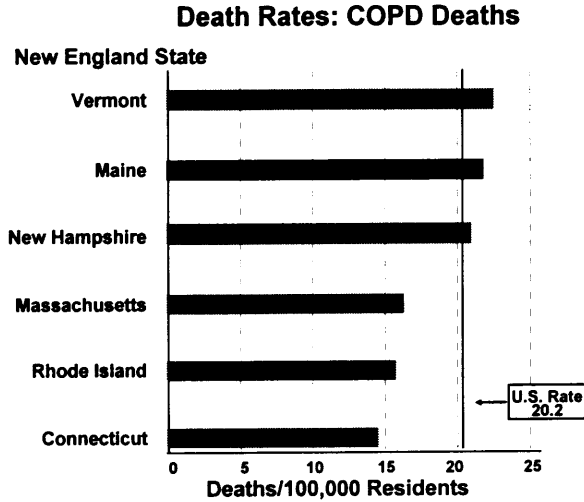
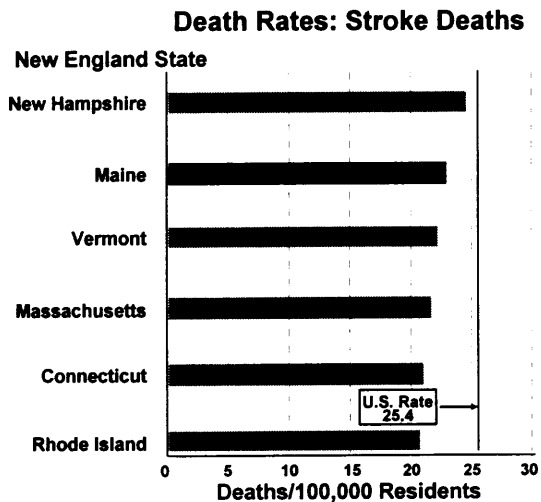
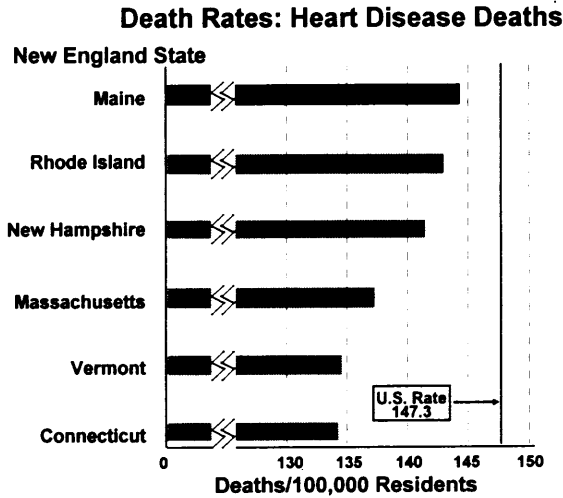
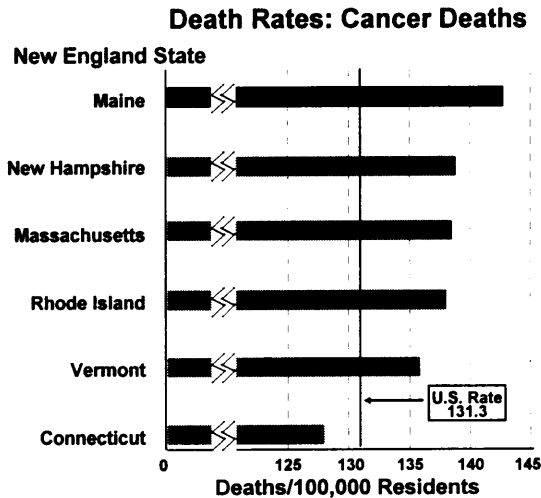


# DEATH RATES\* FOR SELECTED CAUSES OF DEATH

## Maine, New England, United States: 1989 - 1991

- ➔ The death rate in Maine due to cancer is 143.0 for every 100,000 residents. This is substantially higher than the overall U.S. rate of 131.3, the highest in New England, and the 3rd highest in the country.
- ➔ Maine's death rate due to Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (21.9 / 100,000) also exceeds the U.S. rate (20.2).
- ➔ Of the six New England states, Maine has the highest death rate due to cancer and heart disease; it has the second highest rate for deaths due to stroke and Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD).



\* All 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.  
 Source: 1994 State Health Profiles, Centers for Disease Control, Atlanta, Georgia.

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