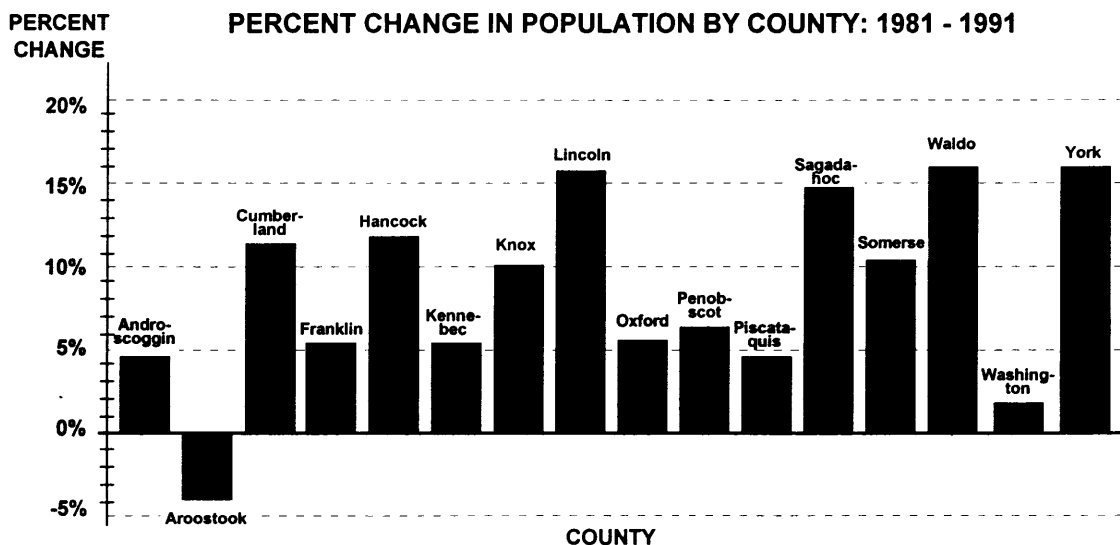


# CHANGES IN MAINE'S POPULATION

Population Estimates: 1981 - 1991

- ➔ Between 1981 and 1991, Maine's population increased by 8.5% from 1,138,086 to 1,234,597.
- ➔ During this ten year period, the population of Knox county increased enough so that its rank order changed from 11th to 10th most populous county (changing places with Washington county which moved from 10th to 11th); Lincoln county also experienced population growth resulting in its move from 15th to 14th most populous county, changing places with Franklin county.



- ➔ Aroostook county was the only Maine county to experience a net decrease in population (a loss of 3,492 residents) over the 10 year period; however, this did not result in any change in Aroostook's ranking as 6th most populous county.
- ➔ Waldo county experienced the greatest *percent increase* in population during this period; a 16% increase for the county (the actual number of people increased by 4,698). Cumberland county experienced the greatest *increase in actual numbers* of people: an increase of 25,466 people (an 11.5% increase in the population).
- ➔ Other relatively sparsely populated counties which experienced large proportional increases in population were Sagadahoc (up almost 15%) and Lincoln (up almost 16%). These counties are 12th and 14th in rank order of population, respectively.

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