Case Information:

686  51.3  18.9%

Number of cases of gonorrhea in 2018 in Maine  Cases per 100,000 people  Increase since 2018

Rate of Gonorrhea: Geography and Race

Demographics:

64% male
27 median age
72% White

Geography:

For more information visit:

https://www.cdc.gov/std/gonorrhea/default.htm
https://www.cdc.gov/std/gonorrhea/stats.htm

Characteristics:

1% Of cases reported five (5) or more sexual partners

32% Of cases were co-infected with another STI

35% Of cases lived in Androscoggin County

Gonorrhea 2018
### Demographics:

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### Prevention:
- Correct and consistent use of latex condoms.
- Being in a long-term mutually monogamous relationship with a partner who has been tested and is known to be uninfected.
- Receipt of preventive treatment by sexual partners of infected patients.

### Populations at Increased Risk:
- Sexually active teenagers and young adults.
- People with multiple sex partners.
- People who have been infected with an STD within the past year.
- Men who have sex with men (MSM).
- Black or African-American individuals.
- Sexually active HIV-positive individuals.

### Health Consequences of Untreated Gonorrhea:
- Increased risk for acquiring or transmitting HIV or other STDs to sex partners.
- Pelvic Inflammatory Disease (PID), chronic pain, infertility, and ectopic pregnancies in women.
- Epidydymitis (inflammation of the epididymis) and infertility in men.
- Disseminated gonococcal infection (DGI): Gonorrhea can also spread to the blood. DGI is usually characterized by arthritis, tenosynovitis, and/or dermatitis. This condition can be life threatening.
- Congenital gonorrhea in infants of mothers infected with gonorrhea, which can cause blindness, joint infection, or a life-threatening blood infection in the baby.

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