

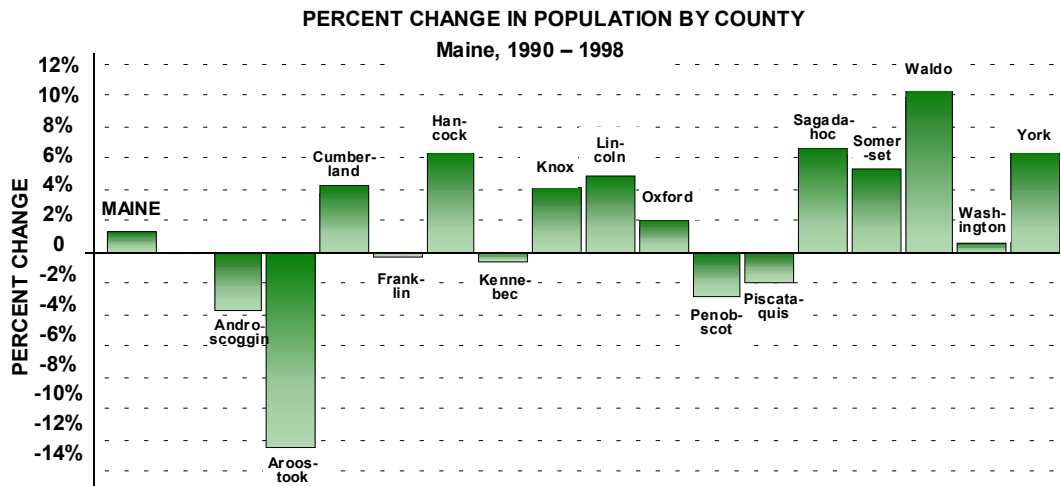
# POPULATION ESTIMATES FOR MAINE

July 1, 1998

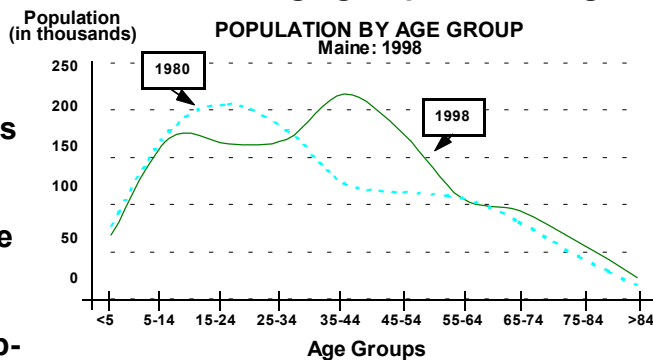
➔ Maine's estimated population for July 1, 1998 was 1,244,250.

POPULATION IN RANK ORDER OF COUNTY: 1998			
Cumberland	253,582	Hancock	49,932
York	175,165	Knox	37,847
Penobscot	142,323	Waldo	36,465
Kennebec	115,207	Sagadahoc	35,779
Androscoggin	101,280	Washington	35,502
Aroostook	76,085	Lincoln	31,815
Oxford	53,673	Franklin	28,933
Somerset	52,380	Piscataquis	18,282

➔ Although the population of Maine increased by over 16,000 residents since the 1990 census, the population of 6 counties has decreased. Aroostook county, with a loss of nearly 11,000 residents (a 12½% decline) showed the greatest decline numerically and proportionally.



➔ During the 1980s and 1990s, there was a marked change in the age distribution of the state's population with older age groups becoming more populous. In fact, the proportion of the population represented by the age group, 35 - 44 years old, increased by 95,000 residents - a 75% increase in their numbers. That age group was the most populous 10 year age group in 1998; in 1980 the group represented by 15 - 24 year old residents was most populous.



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