Case Information:

- **118** Patients diagnosed with babesiosis
- **8.8** Cases per 100,000 people
- **44%** Increase from 2016

Demographics:

- 60% of patients were male
- 65 years old on average
- Age range of 2-90 years
- 96% White

Geography:

- Highest rates among 65+ age group
- 12 People with babesiosis were co-infected with Lyme disease.
- Signs and symptoms include extreme fatigue, aches, fever, chills, sweating, dark urine, and anemia
- 7 People with babesiosis were co-infected with anaplasmosis.

Hospitalizations:

- 44 (37%) patients were hospitalized
- 4% increase from 2016

Prevention:

- Wear long-sleeved, light-colored clothing
- Avoid wooded and brushy areas with high grass and leaf litter
- Check your clothing and gear for ticks and do a full-body tick check when coming back indoors

For more information visit:

- [www.maine.gov/dhhs/babesiosis](http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/babesiosis)
- [www.cdc.gov/babesiosis](http://www.cdc.gov/babesiosis)

All suspected or confirmed cases of babesiosis should be reported to Maine CDC