

Gray

Demographic Indicators		
Indicator	Value	Rank in County*
Population (2008)	7,541	14 th
Population change between 1998 and 2008	+14.2%	14 th
Population per square mile (2008)	174	14 th
Median age (2000)	37.4	20 th
Under 18 (2000)	24.6%	16 th
65 and over (2000)	9.9%	22 nd
Racial and ethnic minorities (2000)	2.4%	14 th
Not fluent in English (2000)	0.53%	6 th
Living in poverty (1999)	2.6%	25 th
Less than a high school education (2000)	8.8%	16 th
Single parent households (2000)	6.5%	17 th

*Among 26 municipalities in Cumberland County, from largest to smallest value.

Annual Rate per 100,000 for the Top 10 Causes of Death in Cumberland County (2001-05)			
Disease	Town	County	State
1. Cancer	204	227	242
2. Heart Disease	104	191	237
3. Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	22	51	61
4. Cerebrovascular Diseases	25	50	61
5. Alzheimer's Disease	**	48	38
6. Unintentional Injuries	28	36	40
7. Influenza/Pneumonia	**	26	24
8. Diabetes Mellitus	**	24	30
9. Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome, Nephrosis	17	20	19
10. Septicemia	**	11	10
All Causes	534	884	969

Shading indicates a significant difference from the state.
 **Too few to be disclosed.

Gray has a significant INCREASE in...

Indicator	Current	Prior	% increase
Births per 1,000 women 15 to 44	67.8 (2002-06)	55.2 (1997-01)	23%
Hospital visits per 1,000***	145.6 (2007)	131.6 (2006)	11%
Controlled substance prescriptions per person	1.56 (2008)	1.46 (2007)	7%

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High levels of	Low levels of
Births	Housing built before 1950
Hospital visits***	Disabling occupational injuries
	Chlamydia

Represents the highest and lowest percentages among all significant indicators listed on the next page.

***Among those with private insurance, and by region that also includes Freeport, New Gloucester, and Pownal.

****Part of School Administrative District 15, which also includes New Gloucester.

GRAY Indicators HIGHER than the State			
HEALTH ACCESS	Value	State value	% higher
Hospital visits per 1,000 (2007)***	145.6	126.1	15%

GRAY Indicators LOWER than the State			
HEALTH ACCESS	Value	State value	% lower
Emergency department visits per 1,000 (2007)***	137.6	191.2	28%
Home and nurse visits per 1,000 (2007)***	22.4	25.9	14%
Disabled (2000)	18.0%	20.0%	10%

FAMILY HEALTH	Value	State value	% higher
Annual births per 1,000 women 15 to 44 (2002-06)	67.8	52.0	30%

FAMILY HEALTH	Value	State value	% lower
Eligibility for free or reduced school lunches (2009-10)****	29.3%	43.0%	32%

ORAL HEALTH
Gray does not fluoridate its public drinking water.

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH	Value	State value	% lower
Housing built before 1950 (2000)	18.0%	35.8%	50%

INJURY AND VIOLENCE	Value	State value	% lower
Disabling occupational injuries per 1,000 workers (2008)	13.2	21.0	37%

INFECTIOUS DISEASE	Value	State value	% lower
Annual chlamydia per 100,000 (2005-07)	117	180	35%

CHRONIC DISEASE	Value	State value	% lower
Diabetes per 1,000 (2007)***	33.2	43.0	23%

SUBSTANCE USE	Value	State value	% lower
Controlled substance prescriptions per person (2008)	1.56	1.76	11%

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Note: All data sources and health indicators with values not significantly different from the state at the 5% level are found in the document "Cumberland County Health Indicators by Municipality," which can be downloaded at <http://publichealth.portlandmaine.gov>. Additionally, some health indicators are available at the county level only, so town-level values are unavailable. Questions and comments may be directed to tsoma@portlandmaine.gov or 207-874-8787.

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