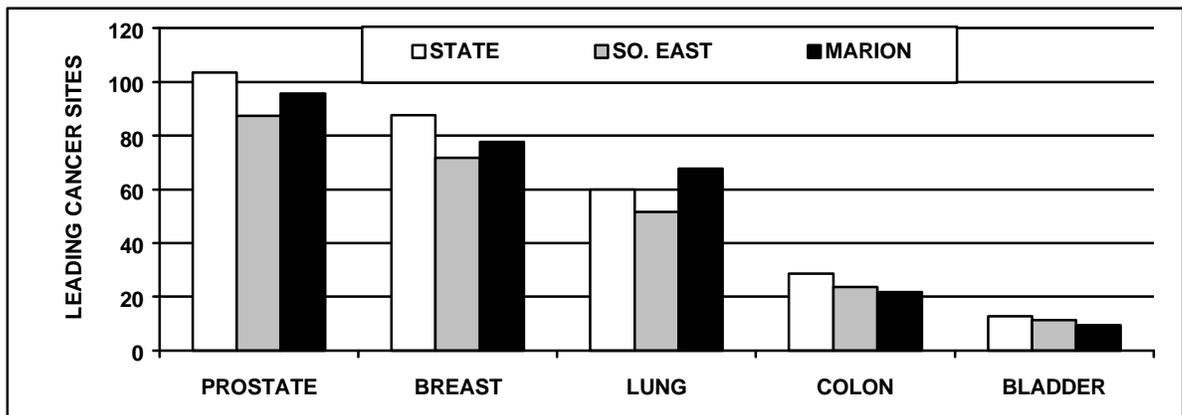


## Marion County Morbidity Experience

- **Syphilis Rates (Number of Reported Cases Per 100,000 Population)** - Over the twelve-year trend, the Marion County trend has remained stable. The county's rates are lower than the Southeast Region, lower than the State, and lower than the national "Year 2000 Objective" of 10.
- **Chlamydia Rates (Number of Reported Cases Per 100,000 Population)** - Since 1987, Marion County's trend has increased steadily. However from 1987 to 1996, the county's rates were lower than the Southeast Region and dramatically lower than the State. The 1987-1989 three-year average rate was 2.7 and the 1992-1994 three-year average rate was 22.7.
- **Vaccine-Preventable Disease Rates (Number of Reported Cases Per 100,000 Population)** - The Marion County trend is stable. Traditionally, the county's rate is lower than the Southeast Region and the State.
- **Gonorrhea Rates (Number of Reported Cases Per 100,000 Population)** - Over the twelve-year trend, Marion County's rate has remained stable. The county's rates are slightly lower than the Southeast Region and dramatically lower than the State, and the national "Year 2000 Objective" of 100.
- **Tuberculosis Disease Rates (Number of Reported Cases Per 100,000 Population)** - Marion County's rates are decreasing and are currently lower than the Southeast Region and the State. Throughout the twelve year time frame the rate has decreased 67.1% and is now lower than the national "Year 2000 Objective" of 3.5.
- **Cancer Incidence Rates Per 100,000 Population Ages 25+ 1990-1992** - The Marion County rate is higher than the Southeast Region, but lower than the State. Approximately, 60 cases of cancer are identified in Marion County each year.
- **Leading Cancer Sites 1990-1992** - The leading cancer site in Marion County is the prostate. The rates for three out of five of the cancer sites below are higher than the Southeast Region. The only cancer rate in Marion County that is higher than the State is the rate for lung cancer.



CANCER SITE	PROSTATE	BREAST	LUNG	COLON	BLADDER
STATE	103.5	87.5	60.0	28.5	12.8
SOUTHEAST	87.3	71.8	51.7	23.7	11.4
MARION	95.6	77.6	67.6	21.7	9.3