

TABLE 1. Asthma Indicators by Sex among adults with current asthma in Maryland: BRFSS 2003.

Indicator	Total			Male			Female			P*
	n	%	se	n	%	se	n	%	se	
Age at Diagnosis (onset)	307			85			222			0.04 **
Child (<18)	124	46.1	3.8	43	57.4	6.9	81	39.7	4.3	
Adult (>=18)	183	53.9	3.8	42	42.6	6.9	141	60.3	4.3	
Medication Status (30 days)	307			83			224			0.78 **
No Medication	101	37.1	3.7	32	38.6	7.2	69	36.3	4.3	
Any Medication	206	62.9	3.7	51	61.4	7.2	155	63.7	4.3	0.88 ***
Less than once a week	35	13.2	2.7	9	12.4	5.2	26	13.6	3.1	
>=1 time a week, but not daily	47	13.2	2.2	11	10.4	3.7	36	14.7	2.8	
Once every day	55	16.0	2.9	14	18.9	6.6	41	14.4	2.7	
Two or more times every day	69	20.5	2.9	17	19.7	5.5	52	21.0	3.3	
Attack	317			86			231			0.25 **
Did not have attack	135	44.3	3.7	50	50.5	7.4	85	40.9	4.2	
Had attack	182	55.7	3.7	36	49.5	7.4	146	59.1	4.2	
Emergency Department Visits	321			88			233			0.65 **
No visit	271	81.1	3.3	80	83.3	6.8	191	79.9	3.5	
Any visit	50	18.9	3.3	8	16.7	6.8	42	20.1	3.5	0.28 ***
One visit	28	11.1	2.8	1	5.7	5.4	27	14.1	3.1	
Two or more visits	22	7.8	2.2	7	11.0	4.8	15	6.0	2.0	
Urgent Doctor Visits	320			89			231			0.39 **
No visit	232	71.9	3.3	71	75.8	5.9	161	69.6	3.9	
Any visit	88	28.1	3.3	18	24.2	5.9	70	30.4	3.9	0.48 ***
One visit	36	10.8	2.1	7	7.7	3.2	29	12.6	2.7	
Two or more visits	52	17.3	2.9	11	16.5	5.5	41	17.8	3.3	
Routine Doctor Visits	319			89			230			0.61 **
No visits	143	44.3	3.7	50	47.0	7.0	93	42.8	4.2	
Any visit	176	55.7	3.7	39	53.0	7.0	137	57.2	4.2	0.73 ***
One visit	95	31.5	3.6	23	31.1	7.1	72	31.8	3.9	
Two visits	34	9.0	1.9	6	6.4	3.0	28	10.5	2.4	
Three or more visits	47	15.2	2.7	10	15.5	5.5	37	14.9	2.9	
Activity Limitation	296			85			211			0.64 **
No days	210	69.7	3.7	65	67.3	7.5	145	71.2	3.8	
Any days	86	30.3	3.7	20	32.7	7.5	66	28.8	3.8	0.71 ***
1-10 days	58	21.6	3.5	14	25.4	7.5	44	19.3	3.2	
> 10 days	28	8.7	2.0	6	7.3	3.4	22	9.5	2.4	
Days with Symptoms	308			85			223			0.32 **
No days	102	36.4	3.6	30	31.4	6.2	72	39.1	4.3	
Any days	206	63.6	3.6	55	68.6	6.2	151	60.9	4.3	0.46 ***
< once a week	72	21.8	3.0	17	20.3	5.9	55	22.6	3.5	
once, or more, a week	77	22.9	3.2	18	22.0	6.4	59	23.3	3.4	
every day	57	18.9	3.0	20	26.3	6.5	37	15.0	2.8	
Days with Sleep Disturbance	310			85			225			0.77 **
No days	217	71.3	3.5	62	69.8	7.4	155	72.1	3.7	
Any days	93	28.7	3.5	23	30.2	7.4	70	27.9	3.7	0.71 ***
1-2 days	46	14.5	2.9	12	16.7	6.5	34	13.3	2.8	
3-10 days	32	9.3	2.3	4	6.8	4.9	28	10.7	2.5	
> 10 days	15	4.9	1.4	7	6.7	3.1	8	3.9	1.4	

* P: Wald chi-square test for the general association between each Indicator and Sex.

** chi-square for 2 category Indicator.

*** chi-square for 3 to 5 category Indicator.