

**TABLE 1. Asthma Indicators by Sex among adults with current asthma in Louisiana: BRFSS 2004.**

Indicator	Total			Male			Female			P*
	n	%	se	n	%	se	n	%	se	
<b>Age at Diagnosis (onset)</b>	<b>512</b>			<b>115</b>			<b>397</b>			<b>0.26 **</b>
Child (<18)	213	50.5	2.8	57	55.5	5.1	156	47.9	3.2	
Adult (>=18)	299	49.5	2.8	58	44.5	5.1	241	52.1	3.2	
<b>Medication Status (30 days)</b>	<b>525</b>			<b>114</b>			<b>411</b>			<b>0.05 **</b>
No Medication	137	31.9	2.9	38	41.2	5.8	99	27.4	3.0	
Any Medication	388	68.1	2.9	76	58.8	5.8	312	72.6	3.0	<b>0.37 ***</b>
Less than once a week	63	12.1	2.0	8	9.5	4.4	55	13.4	2.1	
>=1 time a week, but not daily	92	15.8	1.9	20	14.3	3.6	72	16.6	2.1	
Once every day	136	22.7	2.2	25	18.4	4.0	111	24.8	2.7	
Two or more times every day	97	17.5	2.1	23	16.6	3.8	74	17.8	2.5	
<b>Attack</b>	<b>556</b>			<b>122</b>			<b>434</b>			<b>&lt;0.01 **</b>
Did not have attack	262	51.6	2.8	78	64.8	4.8	184	44.9	3.1	
Had attack	294	48.4	2.8	44	35.2	4.8	250	55.1	3.1	
<b>Emergency Department Visits</b>	<b>553</b>			<b>121</b>			<b>432</b>			<b>0.63 **</b>
No visit	458	82.3	2.2	108	83.9	4.4	350	81.5	2.3	
Any visit	95	17.7	2.2	13	16.1	4.4	82	18.5	2.3	<b>0.40 ***</b>
One visit	36	6.1	1.2	5	4.0	1.9	31	7.3	1.4	
Two or more visits	59	11.6	2.0	8	12.1	4.1	51	11.2	2.0	
<b>Urgent Doctor Visits</b>	<b>551</b>			<b>120</b>			<b>431</b>			<b>&lt;0.01 **</b>
No visit	417	79.6	2.0	106	88.4	3.4	311	74.9	2.4	
Any visit	134	20.4	2.0	14	11.6	3.4	120	25.1	2.4	<b>&lt;0.01 ***</b>
One visit	53	8.2	1.3	5	4.1	1.9	48	10.3	1.6	
Two or more visits	81	12.2	1.6	9	7.5	2.9	72	14.8	2.0	
<b>Routine Doctor Visits</b>	<b>534</b>			<b>115</b>			<b>419</b>			<b>0.83 **</b>
No visits	216	42.7	2.9	46	43.6	5.8	170	42.2	3.1	
Any visit	318	57.3	2.9	69	56.4	5.8	249	57.8	3.1	<b>0.60 ***</b>
One visit	112	19.8	2.1	23	16.0	3.2	89	21.8	2.6	
Two visits	82	16.1	2.2	21	18.6	5.2	61	14.8	2.1	
Three or more visits	124	21.4	2.2	25	21.8	4.7	99	21.2	2.4	
<b>Activity Limitation</b>	<b>520</b>			<b>118</b>			<b>402</b>			<b>0.10 **</b>
No days	365	72.6	2.4	89	78.4	4.5	276	69.5	2.7	
Any days	155	27.4	2.4	29	21.6	4.5	126	30.5	2.7	<b>0.14 ***</b>
1-10 days	96	18.1	2.1	16	15.4	4.2	80	19.6	2.3	
> 10 days	59	9.3	1.4	13	6.2	2.0	46	10.9	1.8	
<b>Days with Symptoms</b>	<b>519</b>			<b>109</b>			<b>410</b>			<b>0.32 **</b>
No days	123	26.7	2.8	30	31.2	5.6	93	24.5	2.8	
Any days	396	73.3	2.8	79	68.8	5.6	317	75.5	2.8	<b>0.43 ***</b>
< once a week	124	22.4	2.4	22	18.3	4.3	102	24.4	2.7	
once, or more, a week	181	36.8	2.8	43	39.3	5.5	138	35.5	2.9	
every day	91	14.1	1.9	14	11.2	4.1	77	15.6	2.0	
<b>Days with Sleep Disturbance</b>	<b>530</b>			<b>114</b>			<b>416</b>			<b>0.63 **</b>
No days	303	59.1	2.8	68	61.2	5.7	235	58.0	3.0	
Any days	227	40.9	2.8	46	38.8	5.7	181	42.0	3.0	<b>0.32 ***</b>
1-2 days	77	13.0	1.9	17	15.4	4.4	60	11.8	1.7	
3-10 days	94	18.6	2.3	13	12.8	4.5	81	21.6	2.6	
> 10 days	56	9.3	1.5	16	10.6	3.0	40	8.6	1.6	

\* 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.