

Table 2-1
Lifetime Asthma Prevalence Percents
by Age, United States: National Health Interview Survey, 2006

				Age (years)							
	All ages	Children	Adults	15 - 34							
	Total	Age <18	Age 18+	0 - 4	5 - 14	15 - 34	15 - 19	20 - 24	25 - 34	35 - 64	65 +
Total:	11.6	13.5	11.0	7.5	16.1	13.0	14.5	14.1	11.7	10.2	10.6
Male	11.1	15.7	9.5	8.8	19.3	11.9	13.1	13.1	10.7	8.4	9.5
Female	12.1	11.2	12.4	6.0	12.8	14.1	15.9	15.1	12.6	11.9	11.5
White Non-Hispanic:	11.8	13.0	11.4	7.2	15.3	14.1	14.5	15.3	13.1	10.4	10.5
Male	11.3	15.0	10.1	8.3	18.5	12.9	12.9	13.6	12.5	8.9	9.9
Female	12.2	10.9	12.6	6.0	12.0	15.2	16.2	17.0	13.7	11.9	11.0
Black Non-Hispanic:	13.5	16.6	12.1	9.9	20.5	13.3	15.5	13.8	11.6	11.3	12.9
Male	12.8	18.8	9.7	10.6	23.9	12.6	12.8	15.0	11.3	8.0	10.6
Female	14.1	14.4	13.9	9.1	17.0	13.8	18.4	12.9	11.9	14.0	14.5
Other Races Non-Hispanic:	11.0	12.0	10.7	4.0*	13.9	13.3	16.2	18.9	9.2	10.0	9.6
Male	10.7	12.7	10.0	**	16.0	12.0	17.0	19.4*	5.9*	10.3	5.9*
Female	11.3	11.3	11.3	**	12.0	14.6	15.3*	18.5*	12.4	9.7	12.8
Hispanic:	9.8	12.8	8.2	7.4	15.4	9.3	12.8	8.5	8.0	7.9	9.0
Male	9.3	16.1	5.9	9.9	18.9	8.5	12.9	8.1	6.8	5.0	4.6*
Female	10.3	9.5	10.7	4.8	11.8	10.1	12.8	8.8	9.5	10.9	12.4
Puerto Rican:†	25.4	30.6	23.0	24.8	34.3	25.1	23.4*	37.2	19.8	21.0	26.6
Male	24.1	36.9	17.7	36.5	45.7	18.7	**	38.3*	15.3*	19.0	**
Female	26.7	24.3	27.9	7.5*	25.1	31.9	39.0*	36.3	24.9	22.9	40.8
Mexican/Mexican-American:†	7.7	10.3	6.2	4.9	13.3	7.6	11.1	6.0	6.8	5.5	4.9*
Male	7.7	13.5	4.6	6.2	16.6	7.2	11.8	6.6*	5.5*	3.4	**
Female	7.6	7.1	7.9	3.7	9.8	8.0	10.2	5.3*	8.3	7.9	**
Region:											
Northeast	13.0	16.7	11.7	12.8	18.5	14.7	16.4	19.6	11.0	10.9	10.2
Midwest	12.0	13.4	11.5	6.3	16.4	13.9	14.5	14.8	13.1	10.4	10.9
South	11.1	12.7	10.5	8.0	15.3	12.6	12.2	14.4	11.8	9.5	9.7
West	11.1	12.1	10.8	3.6	15.1	11.4	16.5	8.0	10.3	10.6	12.3
Ratio of Family Income to Poverty Threshold:‡											
0 - 0.99	15.8	16.2	15.5	11.1	19.7	15.5	18.0	18.9	11.0	16.9	11.2
1.00 - 2.49	12.0	13.6	11.4	7.0	16.3	12.7	16.0	12.4	11.1	10.5	12.1
2.50 - 4.49	10.8	13.4	10.0	5.9	15.9	11.3	13.5	10.9	10.3	10.0	9.8
4.50 and above	9.9	10.6	9.7	5.3	12.6	13.4	10.8	15.1	14.0	8.4	8.8

Source: National Health Interview Survey, National Center for Health Statistics, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

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All relative standard errors are <30% unless otherwise indicated.

* Relative standard error of the estimate is 30%-50%; the estimate is unreliable.

** Relative standard error of the estimate exceeds 50%.

† As a subset of Hispanic.

‡ Missing responses imputed.