

**TABLE 1. Asthma Indicators by Sex among adults with current asthma in Pennsylvania: BRFSS 2005.**

Indicator	Total			Male			Female			P*
	n	%	se	n	%	se	n	%	se	
<b>Age at Diagnosis (onset)</b>	<b>1,031</b>			<b>250</b>			<b>781</b>			<b>0.02 **</b>
Child (<18)	365	42.4	2.6	116	51.9	5.0	249	37.8	3.0	
Adult (>=18)	666	57.6	2.6	134	48.1	5.0	532	62.2	3.0	
<b>Preventive Medication (30 days)</b>	<b>1,053</b>			<b>249</b>			<b>804</b>			<b>0.47 **</b>
No days	339	35.0	2.4	87	37.9	5.1	252	33.7	2.6	
Any days	714	65.0	2.4	162	62.1	5.1	552	66.3	2.6	<b>0.60 ***</b>
1 to 14 days	213	22.0	2.2	43	18.4	4.0	170	23.6	2.6	
15 to 24 days	45	4.5	1.1	14	5.8	2.2	31	3.8	1.3	
25 to 30 days	456	38.5	2.4	105	37.9	4.9	351	38.9	2.7	
<b>Rescue Inhaler (30 days)</b>	<b>1,040</b>			<b>246</b>			<b>794</b>			<b>0.71 **</b>
Never	498	49.4	2.5	130	50.9	5.0	368	48.7	2.8	
Any times	542	50.6	2.5	116	49.1	5.0	426	51.3	2.8	<b>0.34 ***</b>
1 to 4 times	280	27.5	2.3	55	26.7	4.4	225	28.0	2.6	
5 to 14 times	108	9.1	1.4	27	7.6	2.3	81	9.8	1.8	
15 to 59 times	103	10.2	1.4	19	8.1	2.4	84	11.1	1.7	
60 or more times	51	3.8	0.9	15	6.7	2.4	36	2.4	0.6	
<b>Attack</b>	<b>1,071</b>			<b>261</b>			<b>810</b>			<b>0.59 **</b>
Did not have attack	493	45.5	2.5	130	47.5	5.0	363	44.5	2.8	
Had attack	578	54.5	2.5	131	52.5	5.0	447	55.5	2.8	
<b>Emergency Department Visits</b>	<b>1,073</b>			<b>261</b>			<b>812</b>			<b>0.28 **</b>
No visit	867	83.5	2.0	232	86.8	4.0	635	81.9	2.2	
Any visit	206	16.5	2.0	29	13.2	4.0	177	18.1	2.2	<b>0.13 ***</b>
One visit	51	3.3	0.8	6	1.4	1.0	45	4.2	1.0	
Two or more visits	155	13.2	1.9	23	11.8	3.9	132	13.9	2.1	
<b>Urgent Doctor Visits</b>	<b>1,065</b>			<b>259</b>			<b>806</b>			<b>0.06 **</b>
No visit	717	69.5	2.3	195	76.1	4.4	522	66.3	2.7	
Any visit	348	30.5	2.3	64	23.9	4.4	284	33.7	2.7	<b>0.05 ***</b>
One visit	135	12.3	1.6	25	7.4	2.3	110	14.6	2.1	
Two or more visits	213	18.2	2.0	39	16.5	4.0	174	19.1	2.2	
<b>Routine Doctor Visits</b>	<b>1,065</b>			<b>257</b>			<b>808</b>			<b>0.18 **</b>
No visits	400	42.0	2.5	113	47.5	5.1	287	39.4	2.8	
Any visit	665	58.0	2.5	144	52.5	5.1	521	60.6	2.8	<b>0.21 ***</b>
One visit	287	26.3	2.1	61	20.4	3.7	226	29.1	2.5	
Two visits	144	15.5	1.9	33	17.7	4.1	111	14.5	2.0	
Three or more visits	234	16.2	1.7	50	14.4	3.0	184	17.0	2.1	
<b>Activity Limitation</b>	<b>1,024</b>			<b>245</b>			<b>779</b>			<b>0.04 **</b>
No days	711	72.9	2.1	195	79.4	3.8	516	69.7	2.5	
Any days	313	27.1	2.1	50	20.6	3.8	263	30.3	2.5	<b>0.10 ***</b>
1-10 days	225	20.9	2.0	37	15.0	3.4	188	23.7	2.4	
> 10 days	88	6.2	1.0	13	5.6	2.1	75	6.6	1.2	
<b>Days with Symptoms</b>	<b>1,047</b>			<b>250</b>			<b>797</b>			<b>0.98 **</b>
No days	269	30.0	2.4	60	30.1	5.1	209	30.0	2.5	
Any days	778	70.0	2.4	190	69.9	5.1	588	70.0	2.5	<b>0.38 ***</b>
< once a week	214	20.8	2.1	53	21.9	4.3	161	20.3	2.3	
once, or more, a week	347	31.1	2.3	81	26.4	3.8	266	33.4	2.8	
every day	217	18.1	1.8	56	21.6	3.8	161	16.3	1.9	
<b>Days with Sleep Disturbance</b>	<b>1,060</b>			<b>253</b>			<b>807</b>			<b>0.17 **</b>
No days	649	65.3	2.3	167	70.1	4.3	482	63.0	2.7	
Any days	411	34.7	2.3	86	29.9	4.3	325	37.0	2.7	<b>0.19 ***</b>
1-2 days	187	17.7	2.0	41	13.8	3.3	146	19.6	2.5	
3-10 days	149	11.0	1.3	27	8.4	2.3	122	12.2	1.6	
> 10 days	75	6.0	1.0	18	7.7	2.4	57	5.2	1.0	

\* 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.