

National Hospital Care Survey (NHCS): Asthma Content

In 2011, the National Hospital Discharge Survey (NHDS) along with the National Ambulatory Medical Care Survey (NAMCS) and the National Hospital Ambulatory Medical Care Survey (NHAMCS) became integrated into the new National Hospital Care Survey (NHCS). The NHCS is designed to provide accurate and reliable health care statistics that answer key questions of interest to health care and public health professionals, researchers and health care policy makers. This includes tracking the latest trends affecting hospitals and health care organizations and factors that influence the use of health care resources, the quality of health care and disparities in health care services provided to population subgroups in the United States. Data from hospital discharges can now be linked across health care utilization services including outpatient and emergency department visits, hospital-based ambulatory surgery, free standing ambulatory surgery as well as linked to the National Death Index, as well as Medicare and Medicaid information systems for a complete picture of patient care. The NHCS is currently in the recruitment phase; data and results are not available at this time.

Administered by the National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS), CDC

Survey Website: <http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhcs.htm>

National Hospital Discharge Survey (NHDS): <http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhds.htm>

National Ambulatory Health Care Data (NAMCS & NHAMCS): <http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/ahcd.htm>

Sampling Frame and Methodology:

Began in 2011, currently a sample of 500 non-institutional, non-federal hospitals with six or more beds recruited

Respiratory Health Content:

Not available yet

Most Recent Survey and Available Data:

NHCS data not yet available; hospitals currently recruited

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NHDS & NHAMCS Survey Results, Reports, and Publications:

NHDS Publications and Reports: http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhds/nhds_publications.htm

Other Publications using NAMCS and NHAMCS Data: http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/ahcd/ahcd_publications.htm

NHDS Survey Results and Products: http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhds/nhds_products.htm

NAMCS Survey Results and Products: http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/ahcd/ahcd_products.htm

CDC MMWR Surveillance Summaries: <http://www.cdc.gov/asthma/mmwr.html>

Statistics via FastStats: <http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/fastats/asthma.htm>

Health Data Interactive Tables: <http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/hdi.htm>

Developed by CDC National Asthma Control Program: <http://www.cdc.gov/asthma/NACP.htm>

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