

National Survey of Children's Health (NSCH): Asthma Content

The NSCH examines the physical and emotional health of children ages 0-17 years. Special emphasis is placed on factors that may relate to well-being of children, including medical homes, family interactions, parental health, school and after-school experiences, and safe neighborhoods.

Administered by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau of the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), DHHS

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

Sampling Frame and Methodology:

- Periodic data collection (January 2003-July of 2004, April 2007 to July 2008, and July 2011 to June 2012) by the State and Local Area Integrated Telephone Survey (SLAITS)
- Telephone interview
- Nationally representative
- Stratified probability sample, households with telephones among the civilian noninstitutionalized population (ages 0-17 years)
- Geography: National and State estimates

Respiratory Health Content:

Seven asthma questions (ages 0-17 years):

- Lifetime asthma diagnosis
- Current asthma prevalence
- Asthma attack prevalence
- Asthma severity
- Family burden
- Time since medication taken
- Hospitalization in past 12 months

Most Recent Survey and Available Data:

NSCH 2011-2012 Questionnaire and Datasets: <http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/slaits/nsch.htm>

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Questionnaire, Data Access, & Technical Information:

All Years Questionnaires, Data and Documentation: <http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/slait/nsch.htm>

Related Resources:

SLAITS: <http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/slait.htm>

Publications: http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/slait/slait_products.htm

Data Resource Center for Child and Adolescent Health: <http://www.nschdata.org/>

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

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NSCH Relevant Survey Questions:	2003-2004	2007-2008	2011-2012
Has a doctor or health professional ever told you that [CHILD] has any of the following conditions? Asthma?			
Does [CHILD] still have asthma?			
Would you describe the health difficulties caused by [his/her] asthma as minor, moderate, or severe?			
Overall, would you say [his/her] asthma puts a burden on your family a great deal, a medium amount, a little, or not at all?			
How long has it been since [he/she] last took asthma medication?			
During the past 12 months, has [CHILD] had an episode of asthma or an asthma attack?			
During the past 12 months, has [CHILD] stayed overnight in a hospital because of [his/her] asthma?			
Has a doctor or other health care provider ever told you that [S.C.] had... asthma?			
Does [S.C.] currently have asthma?			
Would you describe (his/her) asthma as mild, moderate, or severe?			
During the past 12 months, how many times did [S.C.] see a doctor or other health care provider because of (his/her) [FILL CONDITION NAMES] ? Asthma?			

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