

TABLE 1. Asthma Indicators by Sex among adults with current asthma in Louisiana: BRFSS 2002.

Indicator	Total			Male			Female			P*
	n	%	se	n	%	se	n	%	se	
Age at Diagnosis (onset)	297			83			214			0.02 **
Child (<18)	141	52.9	3.3	52	63.6	5.8	89	46.5	3.9	
Adult (>=18)	156	47.1	3.3	31	36.4	5.8	125	53.5	3.9	
Medication Status (30 days)	298			81			217			0.94 **
No Medication	92	34.2	3.1	30	34.6	5.8	62	34.0	3.7	
Any Medication	206	65.8	3.1	51	65.4	5.8	155	66.0	3.7	0.07 ***
Less than once a week	29	8.5	1.8	5	7.1	3.4	24	9.3	2.0	
>=1 time a week, but not daily	66	22.6	2.9	10	14.3	4.6	56	27.2	3.6	
Once every day	68	21.2	2.7	27	30.7	5.6	41	16.0	2.7	
Two or more times every day	43	13.5	2.3	9	13.3	4.8	34	13.5	2.5	
Attack	313			87			226			0.33 **
Did not have attack	144	49.4	3.3	45	53.7	6.0	99	46.8	3.8	
Had attack	169	50.6	3.3	42	46.3	6.0	127	53.2	3.8	
Emergency Department Visits	307			84			223			0.64 **
No visit	229	74.1	2.9	63	76.0	5.1	166	73.1	3.5	
Any visit	78	25.9	2.9	21	24.0	5.1	57	26.9	3.5	0.62 ***
One visit	33	10.2	2.0	11	11.4	3.6	22	9.5	2.3	
Two or more visits	45	15.6	2.5	10	12.6	4.1	35	17.4	3.1	
Urgent Doctor Visits	306			85			221			0.92 **
No visit	198	65.9	3.0	52	65.5	5.2	146	66.2	3.6	
Any visit	108	34.1	3.0	33	34.5	5.2	75	33.8	3.6	0.66 ***
One visit	44	15.8	2.3	17	18.2	4.1	27	14.4	2.8	
Two or more visits	64	18.3	2.4	16	16.3	4.2	48	19.5	2.9	
Routine Doctor Visits	303			83			220			0.70 **
No visits	137	47.1	3.3	40	48.9	6.1	97	46.1	3.8	
Any visit	166	52.9	3.3	43	51.1	6.1	123	53.9	3.8	0.14 ***
One visit	68	25.3	3.0	25	31.6	5.7	43	21.7	3.3	
Two visits	39	11.4	2.1	5	6.8	3.1	34	14.1	2.7	
Three or more visits	59	16.2	2.3	13	12.7	3.7	46	18.1	2.9	
Activity Limitation	288			82			206			0.62 **
No days	205	75.6	2.8	62	77.5	5.1	143	74.4	3.3	
Any days	83	24.4	2.8	20	22.5	5.1	63	25.6	3.3	0.43 ***
1-10 days	62	18.7	2.6	12	15.2	4.6	50	20.9	3.1	
> 10 days	21	5.7	1.3	8	7.3	2.7	13	4.7	1.3	
Days with Symptoms	292			77			215			0.34 **
No days	88	34.8	3.2	29	39.2	6.3	59	32.3	3.7	
Any days	204	65.2	3.2	48	60.8	6.3	156	67.7	3.7	<0.01 ***
< once a week	55	20.2	2.8	16	21.6	5.3	39	19.4	3.2	
once, or more, a week	96	27.7	2.9	12	13.3	4.0	84	35.7	3.7	
every day	53	17.3	2.6	20	25.9	5.7	33	12.6	2.3	
Days with Sleep Disturbance	290			81			209			0.03 **
No days	173	61.4	3.3	58	71.3	5.8	115	55.6	4.0	
Any days	117	38.6	3.3	23	28.7	5.8	94	44.4	4.0	0.06 ***
1-2 days	47	14.9	2.4	7	7.9	3.0	40	19.0	3.2	
3-10 days	48	16.9	2.6	11	14.6	4.7	37	18.3	3.2	
> 10 days	22	6.8	1.6	5	6.2	3.0	17	7.1	1.8	

* 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.