

**TABLE 1. Asthma Indicators by Sex among adults with current asthma in Maryland: BRFSS 2004.**

Indicator	Total			Male			Female			P*
	n	%	se	n	%	se	n	%	se	
<b>Age at Diagnosis (onset)</b>	<b>333</b>			<b>78</b>			<b>255</b>			<b>&lt;0.01 **</b>
Child (<18)	128	47.6	3.6	43	63.0	7.0	85	39.4	3.8	
Adult (>=18)	205	52.4	3.6	35	37.0	7.0	170	60.6	3.8	
<b>Medication Status (30 days)</b>	<b>343</b>			<b>80</b>			<b>263</b>			<b>0.07 **</b>
No Medication	123	42.3	3.7	39	52.8	7.4	84	36.8	3.9	
Any Medication	220	57.7	3.7	41	47.2	7.4	179	63.2	3.9	<b>0.03 ***</b>
Less than once a week	25	6.6	1.5	5	4.5	2.2	20	7.7	1.9	
>=1 time a week, but not daily	57	15.0	2.3	7	10.7	4.2	50	17.2	2.7	
Once every day	63	18.9	2.7	17	23.2	6.0	46	16.7	2.7	
Two or more times every day	75	17.2	2.3	12	8.8	3.1	63	21.6	3.0	
<b>Attack</b>	<b>346</b>			<b>82</b>			<b>264</b>			<b>0.21 **</b>
Did not have attack	167	51.8	3.5	47	58.6	7.1	120	48.3	3.9	
Had attack	179	48.2	3.5	35	41.4	7.1	144	51.7	3.9	
<b>Emergency Department Visits</b>	<b>348</b>			<b>82</b>			<b>266</b>			<b>0.11 **</b>
No visit	298	85.7	2.3	73	90.6	3.6	225	83.1	2.9	
Any visit	50	14.3	2.3	9	9.4	3.6	41	16.9	2.9	<b>0.02 ***</b>
One visit	21	6.7	1.7	6	7.0	3.3	15	6.6	1.9	
Two or more visits	29	7.6	1.6	3	2.4	1.5	26	10.3	2.3	
<b>Urgent Doctor Visits</b>	<b>344</b>			<b>82</b>			<b>262</b>			<b>0.42 **</b>
No visit	258	79.0	2.7	68	82.2	5.4	190	77.3	3.0	
Any visit	86	21.0	2.7	14	17.8	5.4	72	22.7	3.0	<b>0.28 ***</b>
One visit	44	11.3	2.0	10	12.6	4.2	34	10.6	2.1	
Two or more visits	42	9.7	2.0	4	5.2	3.9	38	12.1	2.3	
<b>Routine Doctor Visits</b>	<b>347</b>			<b>82</b>			<b>265</b>			<b>0.04 **</b>
No visits	146	44.3	3.5	47	55.7	7.4	99	38.5	3.8	
Any visit	201	55.7	3.5	35	44.3	7.4	166	61.5	3.8	<b>0.14 ***</b>
One visit	93	27.1	3.1	15	19.3	5.1	78	31.1	3.7	
Two visits	43	12.9	2.8	4	10.1	6.9	39	14.4	2.5	
Three or more visits	65	15.7	2.4	16	14.9	5.0	49	16.0	2.6	
<b>Activity Limitation</b>	<b>338</b>			<b>81</b>			<b>257</b>			<b>0.02 **</b>
No days	260	79.1	2.9	71	88.5	4.7	189	74.1	3.6	
Any days	78	20.9	2.9	10	11.5	4.7	68	25.9	3.6	<b>0.03 ***</b>
1-10 days	61	17.3	2.8	8	9.9	4.5	53	21.3	3.4	
> 10 days	17	3.6	1.0	2	1.6	1.2	15	4.6	1.3	
<b>Days with Symptoms</b>	<b>342</b>			<b>81</b>			<b>261</b>			<b>0.46 **</b>
No days	110	36.5	3.6	28	40.8	7.7	82	34.3	3.7	
Any days	232	63.5	3.6	53	59.2	7.7	179	65.7	3.7	<b>0.79 ***</b>
< once a week	81	24.4	3.0	19	24.3	6.1	62	24.5	3.4	
once, or more, a week	93	25.2	2.9	20	23.7	5.6	73	26.0	3.4	
every day	58	13.9	2.1	14	11.2	3.6	44	15.2	2.6	
<b>Days with Sleep Disturbance</b>	<b>343</b>			<b>81</b>			<b>262</b>			<b>0.19 **</b>
No days	247	73.8	3.0	65	79.6	5.9	182	70.8	3.4	
Any days	96	26.2	3.0	16	20.4	5.9	80	29.2	3.4	<b>0.16 ***</b>
1-2 days	39	10.8	2.2	8	11.2	4.9	31	10.7	2.1	
3-10 days	36	10.3	2.0	5	7.2	3.5	31	11.9	2.5	
> 10 days	21	5.1	1.3	3	2.0	1.4	18	6.6	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.