

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

Indicator	Total			Male			Female			P*
	n	%	se	n	%	se	n	%	se	
<b>Age at Diagnosis (onset)</b>	<b>251</b>			<b>44</b>			<b>207</b>			<b>0.57 **</b>
Child (<18)	116	55.0	4.0	23	59.2	9.1	93	53.4	4.3	
Adult (>=18)	135	45.0	4.0	21	40.8	9.1	114	46.6	4.3	
<b>Medication Status (30 days)</b>	<b>266</b>			<b>45</b>			<b>221</b>			<b>0.29 **</b>
No Medication	74	29.8	3.7	10	23.1	8.1	64	32.4	4.0	
Any Medication	192	70.2	3.7	35	76.9	8.1	157	67.6	4.0	<b>0.77 ***</b>
Less than once a week	28	11.0	2.9	4	14.7	8.6	24	9.6	2.2	
>=1 time a week, but not daily	55	22.1	3.3	9	22.4	7.9	46	22.1	3.4	
Once every day	50	17.5	3.0	7	15.7	7.0	43	18.1	3.2	
Two or more times every day	59	19.6	2.9	15	24.1	6.3	44	17.8	3.1	
<b>Attack</b>	<b>279</b>			<b>47</b>			<b>232</b>			<b>0.19 **</b>
Did not have attack	73	28.8	3.8	14	39.0	9.8	59	25.1	3.6	
Had attack	206	71.2	3.8	33	61.0	9.8	173	74.9	3.6	
<b>Emergency Department Visits</b>	<b>271</b>			<b>45</b>			<b>226</b>			<b>0.68 **</b>
No visit	155	59.3	3.8	24	62.2	8.6	131	58.2	4.1	
Any visit	116	40.7	3.8	21	37.8	8.6	95	41.8	4.1	<b>0.91 ***</b>
One visit	41	17.6	3.2	7	15.6	6.5	34	18.3	3.6	
Two or more visits	75	23.1	3.0	14	22.2	6.0	61	23.5	3.3	
<b>Urgent Doctor Visits</b>	<b>266</b>			<b>44</b>			<b>222</b>			<b>0.01 **</b>
No visit	146	60.1	3.6	27	76.5	5.9	119	54.3	4.1	
Any visit	120	39.9	3.6	17	23.5	5.9	103	45.7	4.1	<b>0.05 ***</b>
One visit	27	8.7	1.8	4	5.8	2.8	23	9.7	2.2	
Two or more visits	93	31.2	3.4	13	17.7	5.1	80	36.0	4.0	
<b>Routine Doctor Visits</b>	<b>268</b>			<b>45</b>			<b>223</b>			<b>0.91 **</b>
No visits	112	45.7	3.9	20	46.5	9.3	92	45.4	4.2	
Any visit	156	54.3	3.9	25	53.5	9.3	131	54.6	4.2	<b>0.99 ***</b>
One visit	55	21.0	3.3	6	20.6	9.1	49	21.1	3.3	
Two visits	26	9.9	2.2	4	11.0	5.3	22	9.4	2.3	
Three or more visits	75	23.4	3.2	15	21.9	7.0	60	24.1	3.5	
<b>Activity Limitation</b>	<b>242</b>			<b>42</b>			<b>200</b>			<b>0.06 **</b>
No days	136	58.2	4.0	29	72.0	8.4	107	52.9	4.4	
Any days	106	41.8	4.0	13	28.0	8.4	93	47.1	4.4	<b>0.05 ***</b>
1-10 days	81	32.2	3.8	11	24.8	8.3	70	35.1	4.2	
> 10 days	25	9.6	2.2	2	3.2	2.6	23	12.0	2.9	
<b>Days with Symptoms</b>	<b>267</b>			<b>46</b>			<b>221</b>			<b>0.55 **</b>
No days	63	24.5	3.5	8	20.8	7.9	55	25.9	3.8	
Any days	204	75.5	3.5	38	79.2	7.9	166	74.1	3.8	<b>0.42 ***</b>
< once a week	53	21.1	3.5	12	33.4	8.9	41	16.5	2.9	
once, or more, a week	95	35.8	3.7	14	27.8	7.5	81	38.8	4.0	
every day	56	18.6	2.8	12	18.0	5.6	44	18.8	3.2	
<b>Days with Sleep Disturbance</b>	<b>270</b>			<b>45</b>			<b>225</b>			<b>0.64 **</b>
No days	126	50.1	3.9	21	53.7	9.6	105	48.8	4.1	
Any days	144	49.9	3.9	24	46.3	9.6	120	51.2	4.1	<b>0.66 ***</b>
1-2 days	38	14.6	2.7	5	10.5	5.3	33	16.1	3.1	
3-10 days	53	16.7	2.7	7	13.4	6.3	46	17.9	2.9	
> 10 days	53	18.6	2.9	12	22.4	6.9	41	17.2	3.0	

\* 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.

When the sample size is less than 50, estimates are not precise and should be interpreted with caution.