

Chronic Health Conditions - Asthma

Were you ever told that you have asthma?

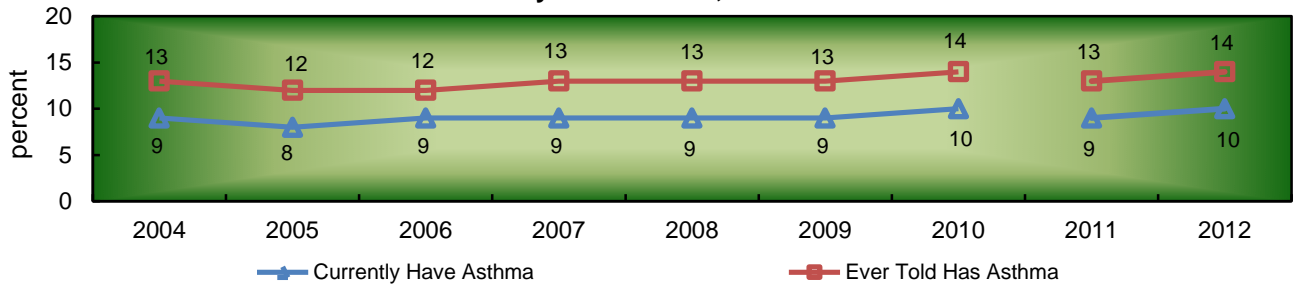
- Fourteen percent of Pennsylvania adults reported in 2012 that they were told they have asthma.
- Pennsylvania men had a significantly lower percentage (11 percent, CI: 10-12) compared to Pennsylvania women (16 percent, CI: 15-17).
- Pennsylvania adults age 45-64 had a significantly lower percentage (12 percent, CI: 11-14) compared to Pennsylvania adults age 18-29 (17 percent, CI: 15-20).
- Pennsylvania adults age 65 and older had a significantly lower percentage (11 percent, CI: 10-12) compared to Pennsylvania adults age 18-29 (17 percent, CI: 15-20) and adults age 30-44 (15 percent, CI: 13-17).
- Pennsylvania adults with a high school education had a significantly lower percentage (12 percent, CI: 11-14) compared to Pennsylvania adults with less than a high school education (19 percent, CI: 16-23).
- Pennsylvania adults with a college degree had a significantly lower percentage (11 percent, CI: 10-12) compared to Pennsylvania adults less than a high school education (19 percent, CI: 16-23) and adults with some college education (15 percent, CI: 13-16).
- Pennsylvania adults with household incomes of \$25,000 to \$49,999 had a significantly lower percentage (12 percent, CI: 11-14) compared to Pennsylvania adults with household incomes of less than \$15,000 (22 percent, CI: 19-25) and adults with household incomes of \$15,000 to \$24,999 (18 percent, CI: 16-21).
- Pennsylvania adults with household incomes of \$50,000 to \$74,999 had a significantly lower percentage (10 percent, CI: 9-12) compared to Pennsylvania adults with household incomes of less than \$15,000 (22 percent, CI: 19-25) and adults with household incomes of \$15,000 to \$24,999 (18 percent, CI: 16-21).
- Pennsylvania adults with household incomes of \$75,000 or more had a significantly lower percentage (10 percent, CI: 9-12) compared to Pennsylvania adults with household incomes of less than \$15,000 (22 percent, CI: 19-25) and adults with household incomes of \$15,000 to \$24,999 (18 percent, CI: 16-21).
- Pennsylvania white, non-Hispanic adults had a significantly lower percentage (13 percent, CI: 12-13) compared to Pennsylvania black, non-Hispanic adults (17 percent, CI: 15-20) and Hispanic adults (21 percent, CI: 16-26).

Those who currently have asthma:

- Ten percent of Pennsylvania adults indicated in 2012 that they currently have asthma.
- Pennsylvania men had a significantly lower percentage (7 percent, CI: 6-8) compared to Pennsylvania women (13 percent, CI: 12-14).
- Pennsylvania adults age 65 and older had a significantly lower percentage (8 percent, CI: 7-9) compared to Pennsylvania adults age 18-29 (12 percent, CI: 10-14).
- Pennsylvania adults with a high school education had a significantly lower percentage (10 percent, CI: 9-11) compared to Pennsylvania adults with less than a high school education (16 percent, CI: 13-19).
- Pennsylvania adults with some college education had a significantly lower percentage (11 percent, CI: 9-12) compared to Pennsylvania adults with less than a high school education (16 percent, CI: 13-19).
- Pennsylvania adults with a college degree had a significantly lower percentage (8 percent, CI: 7-9) compared to Pennsylvania adults less than a high school education (16 percent, CI: 13-19).
- Pennsylvania adults with household incomes of \$25,000 to \$49,999 had a significantly lower percentage (9 percent, CI: 8-11) compared to Pennsylvania adults with household incomes of less than \$15,000 (18 percent, CI: 15-21) and adults with household incomes of \$15,000 to \$24,999 (14 percent, CI: 12-16).
- Pennsylvania adults with household incomes of \$50,000 to \$74,999 had a significantly lower percentage (7 percent, CI: 6-8) compared to Pennsylvania adults with household incomes of less than \$15,000 (18 percent, CI: 15-21) and adults with household incomes of \$15,000 to \$24,999 (14 percent, CI: 12-16).
- Pennsylvania adults with household incomes of \$75,000 or more had a significantly lower percentage (7 percent, CI: 6-8) compared to Pennsylvania adults with household incomes of less than \$15,000 (18 percent, CI: 15-21) and adults with household incomes of \$15,000 to \$24,999 (14 percent, CI: 12-16).
- Pennsylvania white, non-Hispanic adults had a significantly lower percentage (9 percent, CI: 9-10) compared to Pennsylvania Hispanic adults (16 percent, CI: 12-21).

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Figure 6A: Percent Currently Have/Ever Told Has Asthma, Pennsylvania Adults, 2004-2012*



*A change in the survey methodology created a discontinuity for 2011. Please refer to the technical notes for more information.

Table 6: Asthma, Pennsylvania Adults, 2012 (with 95% confidence intervals)

	Ever Told Had Asthma*		Currently Have Asthma*	
	%	CI	%	CI
All Adults	14	13-14	10	9-11
Gender:				
Male	11	10-12	7	6-8
Female	16	15-17	13	12-14
Age:				
18-29	17	15-20	12	10-14
30-44	15	13-17	11	9-12
45-64	12	11-14	10	9-11
65+	11	10-12	8	7-9
Education:				
<High School	19	16-23	16	13-19
High School	12	11-14	10	9-11
Some College	15	13-16	11	9-12
College Degree	11	10-12	8	7-9
Household Income:				
<\$15,000	22	19-25	18	15-21
\$15,000 to \$24,999	18	16-21	14	12-16
\$25,000 to \$49,999	12	11-14	9	8-11
\$50,000 to \$74,999	10	9-12	7	6-8
\$75,000+	10	9-12	7	6-8
Race:				
White, non-Hispanic	13	12-13	9	9-10
Black, non-Hispanic	17	15-20	13	10-15
Hispanic	21	16-26	16	12-21

*Excludes missing, don't know, and refused
 Note: When comparing demographic estimates, confidence intervals that do not overlap indicate a significant difference.

Figure 6B: Currently Have Asthma, Pa. Health Districts vs. Pennsylvania, 2012

