

Table 179. Asthma Incidence Among Children Under 18 Years of Age by Selected Characteristics: 2005

[In thousands, except percent (73,376 represents 73,376,000). Based on the National Health Interview Survey, a sample survey of the civilian noninstitutionalized population; see Appendix III]

Selected characteristic	Total	Ever told had asthma		Had asthma attack in past 12 months	
		Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total ^{1, 2}	73,376	9,287	12.7	6,531	8.9
SEX ²					
Male	37,511	5,481	14.7	3,745	10.0
Female	35,865	3,806	10.6	2,786	7.8
AGE					
0 to 4 years old	20,303	1,741	8.6	1,371	6.8
5 to 11 years old	27,766	3,715	13.4	2,742	9.9
12 to 17 years old	25,307	3,830	15.2	2,417	9.6
RACE					
Race alone: ^{2, 3}	71,242	8,932	12.6	6,263	8.8
White	56,761	6,558	11.6	4,519	8.0
Black or African American	11,152	1,949	17.5	1,467	13.2
American Indian or Alaska Native	591	112	20.1	481	414.0
Asian	2,621	278	10.5	171	6.5
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	117	34	33.3	(B)	29.2
Two or more races ^{2, 5}	2,133	355	17.3	268	13.0
HISPANIC ORIGIN AND RACE ^{2, 6}					
Hispanic or Latino	14,423	1,780	12.6	1,237	8.7
Mexican or Mexican American	9,953	1,058	10.8	736	7.5
Not Hispanic or Latino	58,953	7,507	12.7	5,294	9.0
White, single race	43,429	4,963	11.4	3,432	7.9
Black or African American, single race	10,741	1,859	17.4	1,401	13.1

B Figure too small to meet statistical standards for reliability of a derived figure. ¹ Includes other races not shown separately. ² Estimates are age-adjusted to the 2000 projected U.S. standard population using age groups 3-4 years, 5-11 years, and 12-17 years. ³ Refers to persons who indicated only a single race group. ⁴ Figures do not meet standard of reliability or precision. ⁵ Refers to all persons who indicated more than one race group. ⁶ Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be any race or combination of races.