

**Table 9-13. Asthma: Estimated prevalence by current occupation and smoking status, U.S. female residents age 18 and over, 2000**

Occupation	Nonsmokers			Current Smokers			
	Number of Respondents	Prevalence (%)	95%	Number of Respondents	Prevalence (%)	95%	
			Confidence Interval			Confidence Interval	
Health diagnosing occupations	45	20.1	3.0 - 37.2	4	0.0	-	-
Architects and surveyors	4	18.9	0.0 - 52.8	0	-	-	-
Financial records processing occupations	182	17.6	7.0 - 28.2	75	10.7	3.4 - 18.0	
Computer equipment operators	14	17.3	0.0 - 37.9	3	0.0	-	-
Engineers	27	16.3	1.8 - 30.8	7	0.0	-	-
Mail and message distributing	41	15.6	0.9 - 30.3	12	23.4	0.0 - 47.5	
Supervisors and proprietors	143	13.3	5.9 - 20.7	72	7.4	1.1 - 13.7	
Other sales	337	12.8	8.7 - 16.9	152	11.0	5.5 - 16.5	
Teachers, librarians and counselors	586	12.3	9.0 - 15.6	87	13.6	6.0 - 21.2	
Health technologists and technicians	131	11.5	4.8 - 18.2	64	18.4	7.8 - 29.0	
Technologists, technicians except health	81	11.3	4.2 - 18.4	32	4.8	0.0 - 11.7	
Secretaries, stenographers and typists	235	10.9	5.8 - 16.0	88	6.3	1.8 - 10.8	
Other professional specialty occupations	156	10.7	4.4 - 17.0	50	11.2	2.0 - 20.4	
Personal service	252	10.7	4.8 - 16.6	82	10.0	2.0 - 18.0	
Other administrative support	877	10.5	8.0 - 13.0	353	11.5	7.6 - 15.4	
Natural mathematical and computer scientists	88	10.2	3.3 - 17.1	15	4.0	0.0 - 12.6	
Farm workers and other agricultural workers	43	10.1	0.0 - 20.3	16	4.5	0.0 - 13.3	
Managers and administrators, except public admin.	477	10.0	6.9 - 13.1	199	8.9	4.8 - 13.0	
Private household occupations	105	9.5	1.5 - 17.5	17	8.0	0.0 - 22.9	
Fabricators, assemblers, inspectors and samplers	114	9.1	2.8 - 15.4	40	13.2	1.8 - 24.6	
Health service	241	8.7	4.6 - 12.8	135	20.1	12.1 - 28.1	
Writers, artists, entertainers and athletes	93	8.5	2.2 - 14.8	30	13.7	0.0 - 27.8	
Food service	238	8.5	4.6 - 12.4	191	10.3	6.0 - 14.6	
Health assessment and treating occupations	286	8.2	4.9 - 11.5	67	6.2	0.5 - 11.9	
Farm operators and managers	15	7.1	0.0 - 20.4	4	0.0	-	-
Motor vehicle operators	42	6.4	0.0 - 14.2	33	6.2	0.0 - 15.8	
Freight, stock and material handlers	110	6.3	0.2 - 12.4	57	10.7	0.9 - 20.5	
Management related occupations	310	5.6	2.9 - 8.3	104	6.8	2.7 - 10.9	
Police and firefighters	22	5.3	0.0 - 12.2	7	0.0	-	-
Precision production occupations	72	4.5	0.0 - 9.2	54	14.8	3.6 - 26.0	
Sales representatives, commodities and finance	160	4.1	0.8 - 7.4	58	11.6	3.2 - 20.0	
Other protective service occupations	29	4.0	0.0 - 9.7	18	12.5	0.0 - 28.6	
Mechanics and repairers	31	3.9	0.0 - 11.3	12	9.0	0.0 - 26.1	
Cleaning and building service	160	3.8	0.3 - 7.3	96	13.4	6.0 - 20.8	
Officials and administrators, public administration	33	2.6	0.0 - 7.7	13	7.2	0.0 - 18.8	
Machine operators and tenderers, except precision	177	2.6	0.1 - 5.1	72	3.9	0.0 - 8.4	
Forestry and fishing occupations	1	0.0	-	1	0.0	-	-
Construction and extractive trades	10	0.0	-	6	0.0	-	-
Other transportation, except motor vehicles	0	-	-	0	-	-	-
Material moving equipment operators	8	0.0	-	3	0.0	-	-
Construction laborers	3	0.0	-	0	-	-	-
Military	1	0.0	-	0	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6,174</b>	<b>9.7</b>	<b>8.7 - 10.7</b>	<b>2,368</b>	<b>10.5</b>	<b>9.1 - 11.9</b>	

- No estimates due to no asthma cases or no respondents.

Nonsmokers - Those respondents who indicated that they never smoked or smoked less than 100 cigarettes in their lifetime.

NOTE: Industries were classified according to 1995 Standard Industrial Classification System and then regrouped by NCHS. See appendices for source description, methods, and ICD codes.

SOURCE: National Center for Health Statistics 2000 National Health Interview Survey.