

Table 9-2. Asthma: Proportionate mortality ratio (PMR) adjusted for age, sex, and race by usual occupation, U.S. residents age 15 and over, selected states and years, 1990-1999

COC	Occupation	Number of Deaths	PMR	95% Confidence Interval	
				LCL	UCL
098	Respiratory therapists	13	3.11	1.65	5.31
169	Social scientists, n.e.c.	8	2.88	1.24	5.67
758	Compressing and compacting machine operators	9	2.78	1.28	5.28
028	Purchasing agents and buyers, farm products	10	2.21	1.06	4.06
089	Health diagnosing practitioners, n.e.c.	11	2.20	1.10	3.94
197	Public relations specialists	17	2.09	1.21	3.34
317	Hotel clerks	13	2.02	1.07	3.45
085	Dentists	25	1.84	1.19	2.72
154	Postsecondary teachers, subject not specified	61	1.59	1.23	2.06
203	Clinical laboratory technologists and technicians	47	1.43	1.05	1.90
186	Musicians and composers	47	1.43	1.05	1.90
446	Health aides, except nursing	52	1.39	1.05	1.85
015	Managers, medicine and health	46	1.37	1.00	1.83
686	Butchers and meat cutters	64	1.33	1.04	1.72
915	Student	313	1.29	1.15	1.44
055	Electrical and electronic engineers	69	1.28	1.00	1.63
157	Teachers, secondary school	86	1.26	1.01	1.56
473	Farmers, except horticulture	791	1.21	1.13	1.30
917	Unemployed, never worked, disabled	599	1.19	1.10	1.29
207	Licensed practical nurses	152	1.18	1.01	1.39
095	Registered nurses	455	1.17	1.07	1.29
447	Nursing aides, orderlies, and attendants	461	1.15	1.05	1.26
914	Housewife/Homemaker	8,145	1.04	1.02	1.06

COC - Census Occupation Code n.e.c. - not elsewhere classified LCL - lower confidence limit UCL - upper confidence limit

NOTE: See appendices for source description, methods, and ICD codes, industry and occupation codes, and list of selected states and years.

SOURCE: National Center for Health Statistics multiple cause of death data.