

FAST FACTS ABOUT ASTHMA IN CONNECTICUT

- ◆ In 2010, 9.2% of adults and 11.3% of children had asthma.^a
- ◆ There were 50 asthma deaths in 2009.^b
- ◆ 54% of people with asthma limited their usual activities because of asthma^c
- ◆ 66% of people with asthma had asthma that was not well or very poorly controlled^c
- ◆ 10.2% of adults with asthma smoked^c
- ◆ 22.3% of children with asthma lived in a household with at least one adult who smoked^c
- ◆ 19.6% of obese children also had asthma^c
- ◆ 40.1% of people with asthma did not have a routine checkup during the past year^c
- ◆ 65.7% of people with asthma have never been given an Asthma Action Plan^c
- ◆ From 2000 to 2009, non-Hispanic Black children had the highest annual rates of asthma hospitalizations across all other child and adult race/ethnicity groups.^d
- ◆ Hispanic adults had 5.2 times the rate of asthma hospitalizations as non-Hispanic White adults from 2005 to 2009.^d
- ◆ From 2000 to 2009, Hispanic children had the highest asthma ED visit rates of all race/ethnicity subgroups. Non-Hispanic Black children experienced the second highest asthma ED visit rates for that time period.^d
- ◆ Between 2005 and 2009, the asthma ED visit rate for Hispanic children increased 50.9%.^d
- ◆ New Haven residents had the highest asthma hospitalization rate in the state in 2009.^d
- ◆ The rate of asthma ED visits was highest in 2009 for Hartford residents.^d
- ◆ Public insurance was the payment source for 73.8% of asthma hospitalizations and 60% of asthma ED visits in 2009.^d
- ◆ Of the 2,741 children enrolled in HUSKY A who had asthma ED visits in 2007, only 24.4% received follow-up care within two weeks of their ED visits in accordance with national treatment guidelines.^e
- ◆ Approximately 11.3% of HUSKY A enrollees less than age 21 had asthma in 2007.^e

<http://www.ct.gov/dph/asthma>

Data sources:

^a 2010 Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS)

^b Connecticut Death Registry

^c 2007 - 2009 BRFSS Asthma Call-back Survey (ACBS)

^d Connecticut Hospital Information Management Exchange (CHIME)

^e Connecticut Voices for Children

