

THE IMPACT OF

Asthma

IN ILLINOIS

2 Approximately **850,000 people in Illinois** currently have asthma.



1 **Asthma is a disease that affects your lungs.**

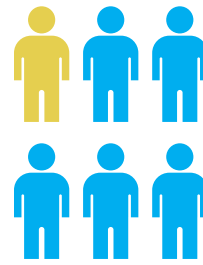
It is one of the most common long-term diseases and affects people of all ages. Asthma causes wheezing, breathlessness, chest tightness, and coughing at night or early in the morning.



3 **183** people died from asthma in 2010. That's **1 person every 2 days.** Of those who died from asthma, **48.1%** were aged 35-64 at time of death.



4 **8.7%** of adults in Illinois currently have asthma.



5 **13.6%** of children in Illinois currently have asthma.



6 **17.8%** (about 1 in 5) adults with asthma are unable to buy asthma medications due to the cost.

7 Each missed work day costs the average Illinois family

\$151*

8 National asthma guidelines recommend that persons with asthma seek at least two routine checkups per year.

9 **29.2%** OF ADULTS with a current asthma diagnosis had at least **2 routine checkups** for their asthma in the past 12 months.



37.3% OF CHILDREN

10 **54.7%** (1 in 2)
children with asthma missed at least
1 DAY OF SCHOOL
in the past 12 months due to their asthma.



11 During the past **12 months**,
Illinois adults with asthma were
unable to work or carry out their
usual activities for a total of
3,089,988 days.



In 2011, there were
72,810
emergency room
visits and

18,968
hospitalizations
with asthma listed
as the
primary diagnosis.



74.1% of adults
and
76.5% of children
do not have their asthma
under control.



25.9% of adults
and
23.5% of children
have well controlled asthma.



Sources: **1** Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). **2 4 5** CDC and Illinois Department of Public Health's Center for Health Statistics (ICHS) Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System Prevalence Data 2012 adults; 2010 children. **3** CDC WONDER, released 2012 **6 9 10 13** CDC and ICHS BRFSS Asthma Call-back Survey, 2007-2010 adults; 2007-2009 children. **7** US Census Bureau. American Community Survey, 2012. *Daily cost calculated based on the median household income for Illinois divided by 365. **8** National Asthma Education and Prevention Program, 2007. Expert Panel Report 3: Guidelines for the Diagnosis and Management of Asthma. Bethesda (MD): National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute. **11** CDC and ICHS DAT, 2013. BRFSS Asthma Call-back Survey, 2006-2010 children; 2012 adults. **12** ICHS DAT, 2013. Illinois Hospital Discharge Data Files, 2012.

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