

Childhood Asthma



In 2010, there were approximately **640,000 emergency room visits** due to asthma in those under 15.

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: National Center for Health Statistics, National Hospital Ambulatory Medical Care Survey, 2010. Analysis by the American Lung Association Research and Health Education Division using SPSS software.



3 out of 5 children who have asthma experienced one or more asthma attacks in the previous 12 months.

(2010) Federal Interagency Forum on Child and Family Statistics. *America's Children in Brief: Key National Indicators of Well-Being, 2012*. Washington, DC: U.S.



Asthma is one of the most common chronic disorders in childhood, currently affecting an estimated **7.1 million children under 18 years**; of which **4.1 million suffered from an asthma attack or episode in 2011**.

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: National Center for Health Statistics, National Health Interview Survey Raw Data, 2011. Analysis by the American Lung Association Research and Health Education Division using SPSS and SUDAAN software.

Asthma is the third leading cause of hospitalization among children under the age of 15.

Approximately 29% of all asthma hospital discharges in 2010 were in those under 15, however only 20% of the U.S. population was less than 15 years old.

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: National Center for Health Statistics, National Hospital Discharge Survey, 1995-2010. Analysis by the American Lung Association Research and Health Education Division using SPSS software.

