

### **General Information**

- In 2006, California had an estimated total population of more than 36.4 million. It was estimated that there were more than 1.9 million adults in California living with asthma in 2005.
- Several cities appear on the list of "Most Challenging Places to Live with Asthma" in the Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America 2007 Asthma Capitals rankings: Los Angeles (#12), Fresno (#15), Bakersfield (#32), Modesto (#39), Stockton (#51), San Diego (#63), Sacramento (#64) and San Francisco (#91)
- California has the greatest estimated number of people with asthma in the country

### **Standout Findings from the Asthma G.A.P. Survey\***

- California residents are **less likely** than the nation as a whole to identify all asthma symptoms (shortness of breath, wheezing, coughing, chest tightness and/or phlegm production) (33% vs. 43%)
- California residents are **less likely** than the nation as a whole to believe that asthma can possibly trigger feelings of depression (43% vs. 37%) and trouble sleeping (66% vs. 60%)
- California residents are **more likely** than the nation as a whole to report that a member of the family under the age of 12 had asthma the past year (8% vs. 5%)

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\*Ipsos conducted the telephone survey on behalf of AAFA and AstraZeneca between January 22, 2007, and March 4, 2007, among 4,042 U.S. adults 18 years of age and older. This included a nationally representative sample of 2,029 Americans with or without asthma (849 men and 1,180 women), and an additional 1,287 randomly selected adults to achieve representative samples of 200 or more adults in each of the 12 "key" states (California, n=246).