

General Information

- In 2006, New York had an estimated total population of more than 19.3 million. It was estimated that there were more than 1.3 million adults in New York 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: New York (#60), Buffalo (#65), Syracuse (#68), Albany (#71) and Rochester (#73)
- For adult New Yorkers, current asthma prevalence has shown a general increase from 1999 to 2004

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

- New York residents are **less likely** than the nation as a whole to report that they know at least a little about asthma (75% vs. 82%) and are **more likely** to report that they have never heard of it (11% vs. 6%)
- New York residents are **less likely** than the nation as a whole to report "difficulty taking part in rigorous exercise" (70% vs. 77%) and "trouble sleeping" (58% vs. 66%) as possible effects or impacts of having asthma
- New York residents are **less likely** than the nation as a whole to identify exposure to tobacco smoke (83% vs. 89%) and exposure to mold (76% vs. 84%) as factors that can trigger asthma attacks

*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 (New York, n=201).