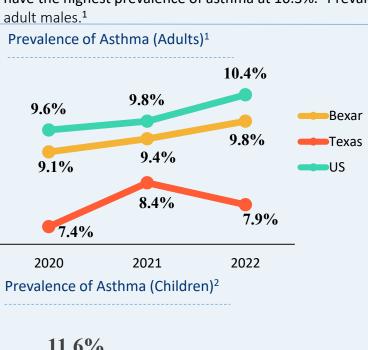
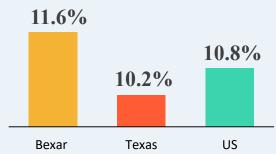
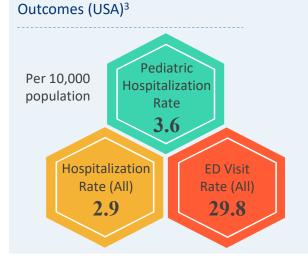
## Asthma in Bexar County and Texas

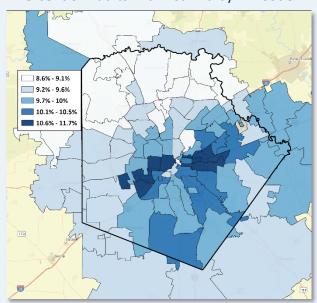
Approximately 10% of Bexar County residents have diagnosed asthma, which surpasses the state estimate.<sup>1</sup> Geographic disparities exist for adults within Bexar County as the prevalence of asthma in the top 10 ZIP codes is 20% higher than in the lowest 10 ZIP codes.<sup>1</sup> The prevalence of childhood asthma in Bexar County is higher than the prevalence of childhood asthma in Texas and nationwide.<sup>2</sup> Black or African American residents of Texas have the highest prevalence of asthma at 10.3%.<sup>1</sup> Prevalence among adult females is more than twice that of adult males.<sup>1</sup>





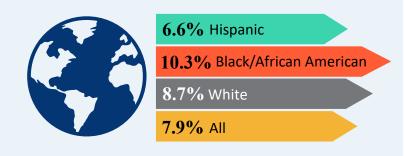






Top ZIP Codes: 78220, 78208, 78219, 78203, 78207, 78237, 78236, 78222, 78202, 78226

## By Race/Ethnicity (Adults in Texas)1



## By Sex (Adults in Texas)1

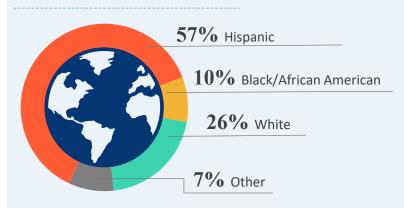
10.9% Female 4.8% Male



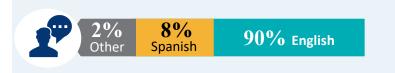
# Patients with Asthma at University Health, 2023

In 2023, roughly 45,200 (18%) of University Health patients had a diagnosis of asthma, and 1 in 5 patients with asthma are children.

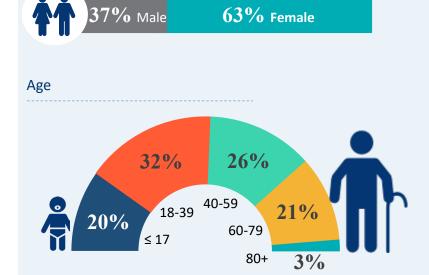
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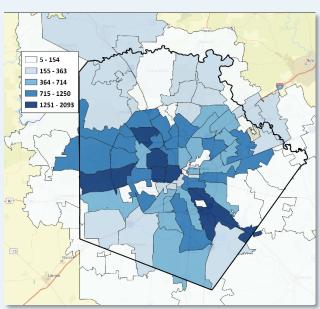
#### Language



### Sex



#### ZIP Code of Residence for Patients with Asthma



Top ZIP Codes: 78207, 78228, 78223, 78237, 78245, 78240, 78227, 78201, 78229, 78210

#### Social Vulnerabilty





# Understanding Drivers of Asthma, 2023

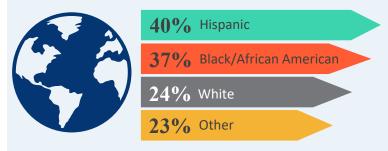
Asthma is a life-threatening condition that can be worsened by behavioral, environmental and physical health factors. Tobacco smoke is a risk factor for asthma, and 26.7% of Black or African American patients reported having smoked or been exposed to second-hand smoke, compared to 22.6% of White patients. Pollen and pollution in the air can also worsen asthma symptoms.

#### Tobacco Exposure

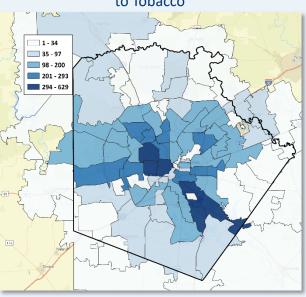
22.7% Percentage of patients with asthma who used or were exposed to tobacco in 2023

#### **Prescription Medication**

Racial and ethnic disparities exist among patients with asthma who are prescribed medication



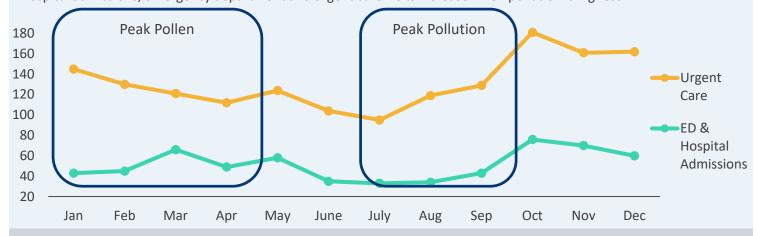
# ZIP Code of Residence for Patients Diagnosed with Asthma Who Have Used or Been Exposed to Tobacco



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#### Seasonality and Negative Outcomes

Hospital admissions, emergency department and urgent care visits increase when pollution is highest.



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