

# ASTHMA'S IMPACT ON THE NATION

**Asthma is common.**



**1 in 11** children have asthma

**1 in 12** adults have asthma

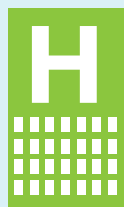
Black children are **2 TIMES** more likely to have asthma than white children.

**Asthma is deadly.**



**1 in 5** children with asthma went to an emergency department for asthma-related care in 2009.

In 2009, there were:



**479,000** asthma-related hospitalizations



**1.9 million** asthma-related emergency department visits



**8.9 million** asthma-related doctor visits

**9** people die from asthma every day.



Black Americans are **2-3** times more likely to die from asthma than any other racial or ethnic group.

**Asthma is disruptive.**



NEARLY **1 in 2** children with asthma report missing at least 1 day of school each year because of asthma.



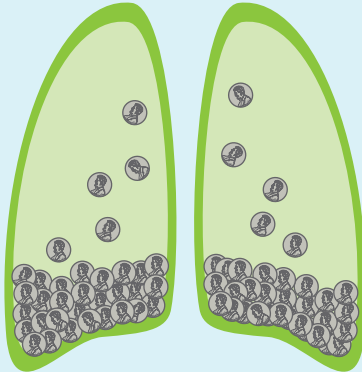
**3 in 5** People with asthma limit their physical activity.



NEARLY **1 in 3** adults with asthma report missing at least 1 day of work each year because of asthma.

**Asthma is expensive.**

Asthma costs **OUR NATION \$56 BILLION** per year



**1 in 4**

black adults can't afford their asthma medicines.



**1 in 5**

Hispanic adults can't afford their asthma medicines.