



YORK COUNTY AIR POLLUTION HEALTH FACTS

According to the American Lung Association, 201,876 York County residents (including 42,452 children and 30,512 adults ages 65 and older) are at-risk for chronic respiratory and pulmonary illnesses such as asthma, chronic bronchitis, emphysema, and cardiovascular disease.

Disease	At-Risk Groups in York Co.
Adult Asthma	17,177
Pediatric Asthma	3,972
Chronic Bronchitis	7,296
Emphysema	3,849
Cardiovascular Disease	63,083
Diabetes	13,491

(Source: "State of the Air 2011", American Lung Assn. <http://www.stateoftheair.org/2011/states/maine/york-23031.html>)

ASTHMA IMPACTS ON YORK COUNTY RESIDENTS

Maine's Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) reports that in York County:

- 16 percent of 5th and 6th graders, and nearly 8 percent of adults were diagnosed with asthma in 2009
- 630 people were hospitalized due to asthma from 2004-2008
- Nearly 1140 emergency department visits were due to asthma in 2008
- 10 residents died due to asthma between 1999 and 2008

(Source: "Asthma York District", Maine Department of Health and Human Services)