

## Healthy People 2010 Operational Definition

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### 24-1. Reduce asthma deaths.

#### 24-1a. Children under age 5 years.

<b>National Data Source</b>	National Vital Statistics System -- Mortality (NVSS-M), CDC, NCHS.
<b>State Data Source</b>	National Vital Statistics System -- Mortality (NVSS-M), CDC, NCHS.
<b>Healthy People 2000 Objective</b>	Not applicable.
<b>Changes since the 2000 Publication</b>	Revised baseline (see Comments). Revised target (see Comments).
<b>Measure</b>	Rate per 1,000,000.
<b>Baseline (Year)</b>	1.7 (1999)
<b>Target</b>	0.9
<b>Target-Setting Method</b>	Better than the best racial/ethnic subgroup.  For a discussion of target-setting methods, see Part A, section 4.
<b>Numerator</b>	Number of asthma deaths (ICD-10 codes J45-J46) among children under age 5 years.
<b>Denominator</b>	Number of children under age 5 years.
<b>Population Targeted</b>	U.S. resident population.
<b>Questions Used to Obtain the National Baseline Data</b>	Not applicable.
<b>Expected Periodicity</b>	Annual.
<b>Comments</b>	The original baseline was revised from 2.1 deaths per 1,000,000 population to 1.7 per 1,000,000 due to changes in the International Classification of Diseases (ICD) system. The original baseline (1998) was based on ICD-9 code 493. The revised baseline (1999) is based on the ICD-10 system. The baseline year for all Healthy People 2010 mortality objectives was changed to 1999 so that a

consistent trend based on a single ICD classification scheme could be tracked throughout the decade. See Part A, section 8 for a discussion of the International Classification of Diseases (ICD). Information on comparability between ICD-9 and ICD-10 has been published by NCHS.<sup>1</sup>

The target was proportionally adjusted from 1.0 deaths per 100,000 population to 0.9 deaths per 100,000 to reflect the revised baseline using the original target-setting method.

For some measures, data do not meet the criteria for statistical reliability, data quality, or confidentiality and have been suppressed. Information on suppression of data for the major Healthy People 2010 data systems has been published in a *Healthy People Statistical Note*.<sup>2</sup>

See Part C for a description of NVSS-M and Appendix A for focus area contact information.

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