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### *Occupational Asthma*

*Asthma Mortality Among Persons Aged 15-64 Years – United States, 1999-2015*

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In 2015, more than 18 million U.S. adults had asthma and nearly 3,400 died. Of these deaths, approximately one in five might be related to exposures at work. Work-related asthma includes asthma caused by work exposures or pre-existing asthma that's triggered by exposures at work. By industry, women in health care and men in construction account for the highest numbers of asthma deaths. Proper management of asthma is important to help prevent severe consequences of the disease. Removing exposure to asthma-causing agents in the workplace can not only prevent asthma, but potentially save lives.

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