



## Fact Sheet on Wisconsin Women's Health and Demography

This fact sheet was prepared in May 2004 by the Bureau of Health Information, Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services, to provide basic health and demographic statistics about women in Wisconsin. Topics include population characteristics such as age and race/ethnicity; health insurance coverage and health care utilization; births; leading causes of death; cancer cases and screening; and behavioral risk factors.

### Population

- Female population, Wisconsin, 2000: 2,714,634
- Women 18 and older: 2,047,583

| Table 1. Wisconsin Women, 2000 |           |         |           |         |         |         |
|--------------------------------|-----------|---------|-----------|---------|---------|---------|
|                                | Total     | <18     | 18-44     | 45-64   | 65-74   | 75+     |
| Number                         | 2,714,634 | 667,051 | 1,039,143 | 597,397 | 190,926 | 220,117 |
| Percent                        | 100%      | 25%     | 38%       | 22%     | 7%      | 8%      |

Source: U.S. Census, 2000.

### Ethnicity

| Table 2. Wisconsin Women by Race, 2000 |           |         |
|--|-----------|---------|
|  | Number    | Percent |
| White                                  | 2,416,977 | 89%     |
| Black/African American                 | 157,254   | 6       |
| American Indian                        | 23,766    | 1       |
| Asian                                  | 44,693    | 2       |
| Hawaiian/Pacific Islander              | 794       | <1      |
| Other Race                             | 37,958    | 1       |
| Two or More Races                      | 33,192    | 1       |
| Total                                  | 2,714,634 | 100%    |
| Hispanic (may be of any race)          | 88,398    | 3%      |

Source: U.S. Census, 2000.

### Family

| Table 3. Wisconsin Family Households, 2000 |           |
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| Type of Family Household*                  | Percent   |
| Married Couple                             | 80%       |
| Female Householder, Children               | 10        |
| Female Householder, No Child               | 4         |
| All Other Family Households*               | 6         |
| Total                                      | 100%      |
| Number of Family Households                | 1,386,815 |

Source: U.S. Census, 2000.

\*Family households are households with at least two persons. "Other" includes households with a male householder, with or without children present.

### Family Health Status

- Among 15-64 year olds: 9%
- Among 65+ year olds: 38%

Table 4. Births, 2002

| Age       | Percent Currently Uninsured | Percent Uninsured at Any Time in the Past Year |
|-----------|-----------------------------|--|
| 18-29     | 9%                          | 17%  |
| 30-49     | 6                           | 11   |
| 50-64     | 7                           | 10   |
| 65+       | --                          | 1  |
| All Women | 6%                          | 10%  |

-- 0.5 percent or less.

- Percent of women with regular source of care\*: 96%
- Percent of women who had physical exam during previous year: 69%
- Percent of women who saw dentist during previous year: 76%

Source: Family Health Survey, Bureau of Health Information, Division of Health Care Financing, Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services.

Table 5. Births, 2002

- Number of births: 68,510
- Crude birth rate: 12.6 births per 1,000 population
- General fertility rate: 58.7 births per 1,000 women aged 15-44 years
- Births per woman:\*\* 1.9 births
- Teen birth rate: 32.2 births per 1,000 females aged 15-19 years
- Percent of births to unmarried women: 30%
- Percent of births with first-trimester prenatal care: 82%
- Percent of births with third-trimester prenatal care or none: 3%
- Percent of births delivered by cesarean section: 21%
- Percent of births paid for by Medicaid: 41%

\*\* Births per woman (the total fertility rate) is the number of births a woman would have if she experienced 2002 age-specific fertility rates throughout her childbearing years.

Sources: All birth data except Medicaid percentage are taken from Wisconsin resident birth certificates, Bureau of Health Information, Division of Health Care Financing, Department of Health and Family Services. Medicaid percentage is from linked file of birth, infant death, hospitalization and Medicaid eligibility data, Bureau of Health Information.

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| Cause of Death                    | Number        | Percent     |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|-------------|
| Heart Disease                     | 6,396         | 27%         |
| Cancer                            | 5,252         | 22          |
| Cerebrovascular Disease           | 2,098         | 9           |
| Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease | 1,165         | 5           |
| OH PHU                            |               |             |
| Accidents                         | 919           | 4           |
| Influenza and Pneumonia           | 716           | 3           |
| Diabetes                          | 691           | 3           |
| All other                         | 5,779         | 24          |
| <b>Total</b>                      | <b>23,983</b> | <b>100%</b> |

Source: Bureau of Health Information, Division of Health Care Financing, Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services. *Wisconsin Deaths, 2002*, Table 13, page 31.

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**1998-2000**

|         | All sites | Breast | Colon and Rectum | ung   | Uterine | Cervical |
|---------|-----------|--------|------------------|-------|---------|----------|
| Number  | 11,831    | 3,746  | 1,559            | 1,385 | 767     | 264      |
| Percent | 100%      | 32%    | 13%              | 12%   | 6%      | 2%       |

Source: Wisconsin Cancer Reporting System, Department of Health and Family Services, as reported in *Wisconsin Cancer Facts and Figures, 2004*, American Cancer Society, Table 1, page 11.

- Among women age 50 or older, percent in 2002 who reported screening during previous year:
  - Mammogram: 66%
  - Clinical breast exam: 73%
  - Both: 57%
- Among women age 18 or older, percent in 2002 who had a Pap Smear within the last three years (excludes women who had a hysterectomy): 86%

Source: Behavioral Risk Factor Survey, Bureau of Health Information, Division of Health Care Financing, Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services.

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| Age       | Percent who Smoke |
|-----------|-------------------|
| 18-24     | 29%               |
| 25-34     | 26                |
| 35-44     | 26                |
| 45-54     | 22                |
| 55+       | 12                |
| All women | 21%               |

- Percent of women overweight\* in 2002: 48%
- Percent of women in 2002 who reported having:
  - 60+ drinks during the past month: 6%
  - 5+ drinks on one occasion: 14%
  - Driven after too much to drink: 2%

\* Overweight is defined by the Body Mass Index (BMI), a calculation (weight in kilograms divided by height in meters squared) using self-reported height and weight. A BMI greater than 25 is considered overweight.

Source: Behavioral Risk Factor Survey, Bureau of Health Information, Division of Health Care Financing, Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services.