

# HOW MUCH DOES BRONCHIAL ASTHMA COST?

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## *Summary*

The results of pharmacoeconomical survey of bronchial asthma burden in Lugansk oblast have been presented in the article. In the structure of financial losses the major costs are those directly paid by a patient. Indirect costs are mainly consist of the reimbursement for temporary incapacity for work and disability. Financial burden of asthma in the region is estimated on the level about USD 6280779,0, which is USD 2,6 per one inhabitant. Maintenance therapy is financially justified: it does not only decrease Both direct and indirect costs and financial burden down to USD 2,1 per one inhabitant but improve quality of life of the patients as well. A knowledge of economical burden of asthma would allow better management of funds and improve medicinal supply of different healthcare providers.