



Approximately 5% of adults or 12.5 million Americans are living with COPD¹. COPD is a leading cause of morbidity and mortality, resulting in 536,000 hospitalizations² and 139,000 deaths³. COPD treatment costs an estimated \$50 billion annually⁴.

COPD by the Numbers in Illinois

Adults diagnosed with COPD ⁵	547,915
COPD prevalence ⁵	5.5%
COPD mortality ³	4,807
Annual cost of COPD treatment ⁴	\$1.5 Billion
Workdays lost to COPD ⁴	999,170
Medicare hospitalizations ²	7,316

Who is most likely to have worse outcomes and barriers to treatment?

- People living in rural communities.
- People with lower income levels.
- People with lower educational levels.

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American Lung Association Indicator Reports

State of the Air ⁶: Cook County, IL received an “F” for high ozone days.

State of Tobacco Control ⁷: scored a “B” in access to cessation services.

State of Lung Cancer ⁸: 7.0% of high risk adults were screened for lung cancer.

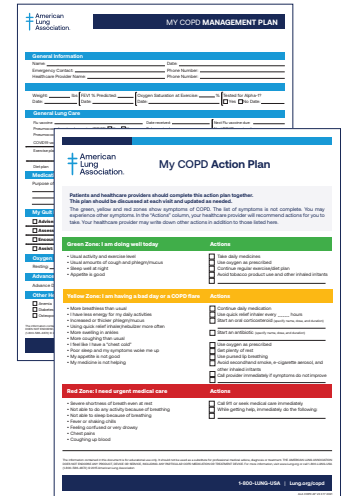
Compared to adults without COPD, those diagnosed with COPD in Illinois reported ⁵:

Indicator	COPD	Comparison	No COPD
Having less than a high school education	Not Available		
Earning less than \$15,000 in household income	12.2%		4.7%
Currently smoking	27.3%		11.1%
Receiving a flu vaccination	60.5%		49.5%
Receiving a pneumococcal vaccination	66.9%		27.9%
Average number of bad mental health days in the last month	14.1		10.8



Five Opportunities to Address COPD in Illinois

- 1 Use a validated COPD screening tool for people who may be at risk of COPD or reporting symptoms.
- 2 Confirm a COPD diagnosis using spirometry, especially in primary care.
- 3 Use evidence-based tobacco prevention and cessation services.
- 4 Promote recommended vaccinations.
- 5 Recommend pulmonary rehabilitation, COPD education and a COPD Action Plan.



Learn how at Lung.org/HCP-COPD.



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