

**Table 2 Prevalence of asthma symptoms for boys and girls aged 6–7 years and 13–14 years in Kabul, Afghanistan**

Disease/age group	Total ( <i>n</i> = 1500)		Males ( <i>n</i> = 750)		Females ( <i>n</i> = 750)		<i>P</i> -value
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	
<i>Wheezing ever</i>							
6–7 years	347	23.1	182	24.2	165	22.0	0.298
13–14 years	458	30.5	250	33.3	208	27.7	0.019
<i>Night attacks of wheezing</i>							
6–7 years	72	4.8	38	5.0	34	4.5	0.629
13–14 years	66	4.4	31	4.1	35	4.6	0.615
<i>Speech-limiting wheezing</i>							
6–7 years	183	12.2	98	13.0	85	11.3	0.305
13–14 years	195	13.0	95	12.6	100	13.3	0.701
<i>Exercise-induced wheezing</i>							
6–7 years	144	9.6	81	10.8	63	8.4	0.115
13–14 years	204	13.6	121	16.1	83	11.0	0.004
<i>Night cough</i>							
6–7 years	153	10.2	87	11.6	66	8.8	0.073
13–14 years	195	13.0	88	11.7	107	14.2	0.145