

**Table 3 Comparison of frequency of asthma symptoms and diagnosed asthma in Urmia (current study) and global and WHO Eastern Mediterranean Regional mean [6]**

<b>Location</b>	<b>Wheeze ever</b>	<b>Attack of wheeze in last 12 months</b>	<b>Wheeze disturbs sleep</b>	<b>Severe wheeze limiting speech</b>	<b>Exercise wheeze</b>	<b>Night cough</b>	<b>Ever had asthma</b>
	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
Oceania	24.6	8.9	3.2	4.6	15.9	29.4	26.8
North America	17.6	5.5	2	3.0	9	25.1	14.7
Latin America	19.6	4.0	3.8	4.5	9.1	30.6	12.4
Asia-Pacific	9.6	2.2	0.7	1.5	5.0	17.0	10.7
Western Europe	8.1	1.9	1	1.5	3	16.1	7.2
Eastern Mediterranean	6.8	1.7	1	1.7	4	13.6	6.5
South-East Asia	5.6	1.5	1.2	1	3.6	12.3	
Northern & Eastern Europe	8.8	2.0	1.1	1	3.6	11.4	
Urmia <sup>a</sup>	9.4	6.4	4	1.9	4	10.6	1.6
Global total	11.8	3.1	1.8	2.4	6.2	19.1	10.2

<sup>a</sup>*This study.*