asthma BrE ['æsmə] NAmE ['æzmə] noun uncountable a medical condition of the chest that makes breathing difficult

a severe asthma attack

Word Origin:

[asthma] late Middle English: from medieval Latin asma, from Greek asthma, from azein 'breathe hard'.

Example Bank:

- We have thousands of asthma cases a year.
- children who develop asthma

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[Date: 1300-1400; Language: Medieval Latin; Origin: asma, from Greek asthma, from azein 'to breathe hard] a medical condition that causes difficulties in breathing

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