

## Near half of swine flu patients otherwise healthy

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(AP) -- The largest U.S. analysis of adult hospitalized swine flu patients has found that 46 percent did not have asthma or any other underlying condition.

Health officials looked at 1,400 adult [swine flu](#) hospitalizations in 10 states. A [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#) official released some of the details at a Tuesday press conference.

The CDC has said most swine flu-infected people who have grown severely ill had underlying conditions, but the new details suggest it may not be a large majority.

CDC officials added that it's preliminary data, and obesity was not classified as an underlying condition.

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On the Net:

CDC swine [flu](#) update: <http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/update.htm>

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