

# ATS 2024

## EVENT AUDIT



### DATES OF EVENT:

Conference: May 17 - 22, 2024  
Exhibits: May 19 - 21, 2024

### LOCATION:

San Diego Convention Center, San Diego, CA

### EVENT PRODUCER/MANAGER:

Company Name: American Thoracic Society  
Address: 25 Broadway, 4<sup>th</sup> Fl., New York, NY, 10004  
Phone: 212-315-8600  
Website (Conference): <http://conference.thoracic.org/>

### REGISTRATION COMPANY:

Convention Data Services (CDS)

### YEAR EVENT ESTABLISHED:

1905

### FREQUENCY:

Annual

### DATES OF NEXT EVENT:

Conference: May 16 - 21, 2025  
Exhibits: May 17 - 20, 2025  
LOCATION: San Francisco, CA

### 1. STATEMENT OF MARKET SERVED

The ATS International Conference is the home of pulmonary, critical care, and sleep professionals, from those in the earliest stages of their careers to those whose research or strides in clinical care has gained them international recognition. Each year, nearly 14,000 of these professionals choose to attend, present, and learn about the latest advances, meet with colleagues from around the world, and strike new collaborations. It is truly where today's science meets tomorrow's care. The International Conference is also multidisciplinary. Clinicians and researchers in many other fields attend the conference, thereby enriching conversations that lead to insights that ultimately improve patient care.

### 2. STATEMENT OF VERIFICATION METHODOLOGY:

No badges were pre-mailed before the conference. Pre-registered attendees picked up their badge and credentials on-site via electronic will-call or by visiting a manned registration station. When arriving onsite they scanned the bar code in their confirmation or looked up their name at the scan and go kiosk to print their badge. At a manned station an attendant researched their record, verified them and then printed their badge. When the badge was printed, it created a time/date stamp at the same time that was captured within the electronic registration database. If a badge was re-printed the original data and time stamp was retained.

### 3. AUDITED ATTENDEE ANALYSIS

Year which Event was Held	Event Location	Conference Attendees (includes session speakers)	Exhibit Only Attendees	Sub-Total: Conference & Exhibit-Only Attendees	Guests	Media	Exhibitors	Total
2024	San Diego, CA	10,597	9	10,606	177	33	2,492	13,308
2023	Washington, D.C.	10,308	37	10,345	163	41	2,361	12,910
2022	San Francisco, CA	8,180	12	8,192	177	19	1,780	10,168
2019	Dallas, TX	11,547	8	11,555	185	74	2,430	14,244
2018	San Diego, CA	13,263	5	13,268	221	84	2,395	15,968
2017	Washington, D.C.	13,477	19	13,496	260	95	2,318	16,169
2016	San Francisco, CA	13,697	15	13,712	195	65	2,143	16,115
2015	Denver, CO	11,216	14	11,230	151	45	2,184	13,610
2014	San Diego, CA	12,339	35	12,374	119	96	1,799	14,388

<b>4. MAJOR AREAS/NATURE OF PROFESSIONAL WORK/TRAINING</b>			
Major Areas/Nature of Professional Work/Training	Total Attendees	Percent of Total	Percent Identified by Major Areas
Administration/Management	207	2.0	2.1
Advocacy	132	1.2	1.3
Allergy/Immunology	669	6.3	6.7
Anesthesiology	70	0.7	0.7
Assistant Professor	400	3.8	4.0
Associate Professor	236	2.2	2.4
Basic Microbiology	91	0.9	0.9
Behavioral Science	89	0.8	0.9
Biochemistry	244	2.3	2.4
Biomedical Engineering	248	2.3	2.5
Biophysics	76	0.7	0.8
Biostatistics	202	1.9	2.0
Business/Management	372	3.5	3.7
Cardiology - Adult	158	1.5	1.6
Cardiology - Pediatric	33	0.3	0.3
Cardiology - Other	61	0.6	0.6
Cell & Molecular Biology	732	6.9	7.3
Clinical Microbiology	60	0.6	0.6
Clinical Research Coordinator	103	1.0	1.0
Critical Care - Adult	2,833	26.7	28.4
Critical Care - Pediatric	121	1.1	1.2
Critical Care - Other	289	2.7	2.9
Clinical Practice	1,606	15.1	16.1
Dentistry	3	0.0	0.0
Education/Teaching	1,067	10.1	10.7
Emergency Medicine	95	0.9	1.0
Environmental Medicine	143	1.4	1.4
Epidemiology	294	2.8	3.0
Family Medicine	33	0.3	0.3
Fellow	435	4.1	4.4
Full Professor	194	1.8	1.9
Genetics	236	2.2	2.4
Geriatrics	24	0.2	0.2
Global Health	149	1.4	1.5
Health Policy	151	1.4	1.5
Health Regulation	36	0.3	0.4
Hospitalist Practice	121	1.1	1.2
Immunology	587	5.5	5.9
Infectious Disease	405	3.8	4.1
Informatics/Information Systems	130	1.2	1.3
Internal Medicine	1,885	17.8	18.9
Interventional Pulmonology	193	1.8	1.9
Journalism	17	0.2	0.2
Law	11	0.1	0.1

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<b>4. MAJOR AREAS/NATURE OF PROFESSIONAL WORK/TRAINING (Continued)</b>			
Major Areas/Nature of Professional Work/Training	Total Attendees	Percent of Total	Percent Identified by Major Areas
Marketing or Commercial	91	0.9	0.9
Medical or Scientific Affairs	183	1.7	1.8
Neonatology	84	0.8	0.8
Neuroscience	91	0.9	0.9
Nursing	94	0.9	0.9
Occupational Medicine	86	0.8	0.9
Oncology	180	1.7	1.8
Palliative Care	71	0.7	0.7
Pathology	92	0.9	0.9
Pediatrics	624	5.9	6.3
Pharmacology	276	2.6	2.8
Pharmacy	126	1.2	1.3
Physical Therapy	35	0.3	0.4
Physician Assistant	17	0.2	0.2
Physiology - Cellular	205	1.9	2.1
Physiology - Integrative/Organ System	229	2.2	2.3
Post-Doctoral	307	2.9	3.1
Preventive Medicine	56	0.5	0.6
Psychiatry	17	0.2	0.2
Psychology	32	0.3	0.3
Public Health	296	2.8	3.0
Pulmonary - Adult	4,289	40.4	43.0
Pulmonary - Pediatric	777	7.3	7.8
Quality Improvement	183	1.7	1.8
Radiology	118	1.1	1.2
Regulatory	43	0.4	0.4
Rehabilitation	119	1.1	1.2
Research - Basic Science	1,508	14.2	15.1
Research - Clinical	1,956	18.4	19.6
Research - Epidemiology	467	4.4	4.7
Resident	409	3.9	4.1
Respiratory Therapy	355	3.4	3.6
Retired	51	0.5	0.5
Sleep Medicine	639	6.0	6.4
Social Sciences	59	0.6	0.6
Student - Non-Physician	179	1.7	1.8
Student - Physician	127	1.2	1.3
Surgery	39	0.4	0.4
Surgery, Thoracic	61	0.6	0.6
Surgery, Other	10	0.1	0.1
Technician/Technical Support	23	0.2	0.2
Veterinary Medicine	24	0.2	0.2
Other	173	1.6	1.7
Not Applicable	440	4.2	4.4
Total Conference and Exhibit Only Attendees Identified by Major Areas	9,980	94.1	-
Total Conference and Exhibit Only Attendees Not Identified by Major Areas	626	5.9	-
<b>TOTAL CONFERENCE AND EXHIBIT ONLY ATTENDEES</b>	<b>10,606</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>-</b>

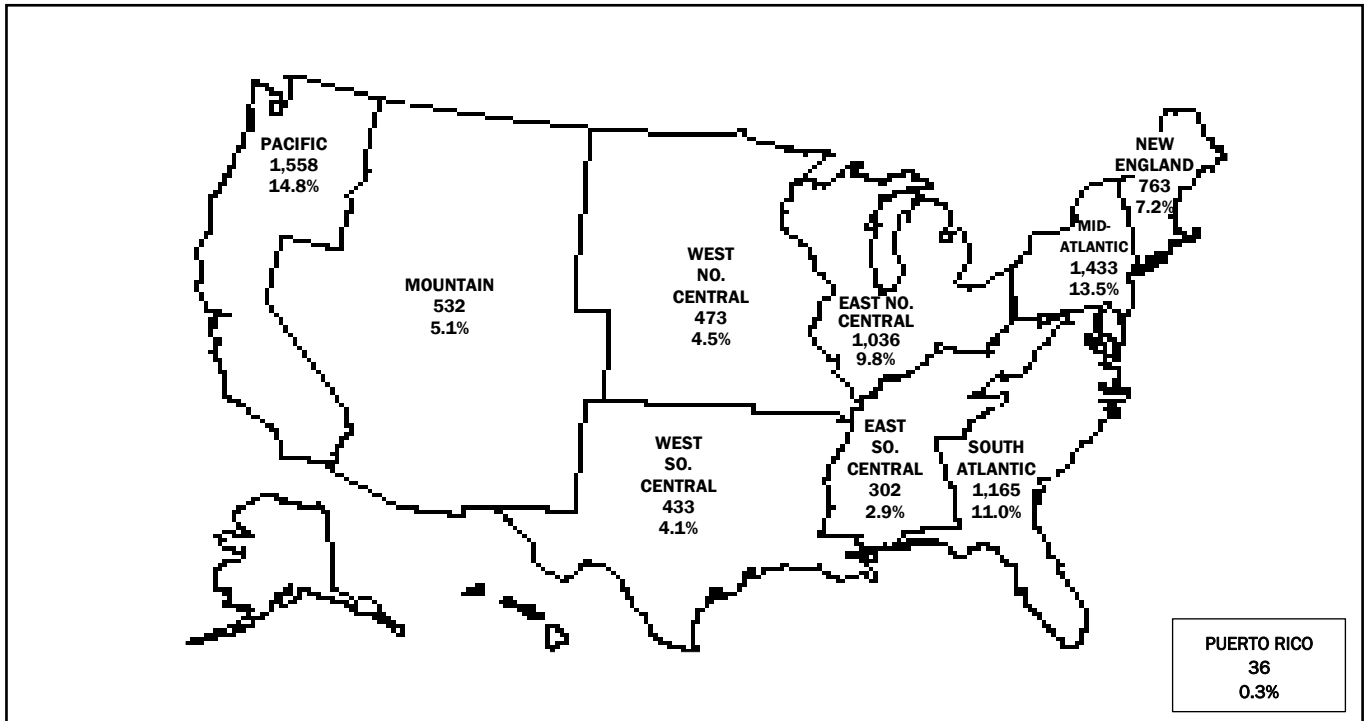
<b>5. WORK SETTING</b>			
Work Setting	Total Attendees	Percent of Total	Percent Identified by Work Setting
Academic (Private)	1,492	14.1	14.9
Academic (Public)	3,597	33.9	36.0
Community Health Center	101	1.0	1.0
Government – Federal	251	2.4	2.5
Government – International	18	0.2	0.2
Government – Local	56	0.5	0.6
Government – State	93	0.9	0.9
Government – Other	58	0.6	0.6
Health Maintenance Organization	24	0.2	0.2
Hospital, Community	1,213	11.4	12.1
Hospital, University	2,954	27.9	29.6
Hospital, Other	699	6.6	7.0
Industry, Devices	158	1.5	1.6
Industry/Pharmaceuticals	991	9.3	9.9
Industry, Biotech	508	4.8	5.1
Military	44	0.4	0.4
NGO	45	0.4	0.5
Practice – Group	305	2.9	3.1
Practice – Individual	184	1.7	1.8
Professional Society Employee	21	0.2	0.2
Public Health	122	1.2	1.2
Veterans Affairs	396	3.7	4.0
Other	151	1.4	1.5
Not Applicable	304	2.9	3.0
Total Conference and Exhibit Only Attendees Identified by Work Setting	9,989	94.2	–
Total Conference and Exhibit Only Attendees Not Identified by Work Setting	617	5.8	–
<b>TOTAL CONFERENCE AND EXHIBIT ONLY ATTENDEES</b>	<b>10,606</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>–</b>

6. DISEASE OR PROCEDURE AREAS OF INTEREST			
Areas of Interest	Total Attendees	Percent of Total	Percent Identified by Areas of Interest
Air Movement and Airways Diseases, Other	1,198	11.3	12.0
Alpha-1 Antitrypsin	522	4.9	5.2
ARDS	2,007	18.9	20.1
Asthma	3,193	30.1	32.0
Bronchiectasis	1,522	14.4	15.3
Bronchoscopy	938	8.8	9.4
Burnout Syndrome	122	1.2	1.2
CAP	561	5.3	5.6
Chronic Thromboembolic Pulmonary Hypertension	780	7.4	7.8
Congenital, Genetic and Developmental Lung Diseases, Other	648	6.1	6.5
COPD	3,142	29.6	31.5
Cough	874	8.2	8.8
Cystic Fibrosis	1,210	11.4	12.1
Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy	210	2.0	2.1
EGPA	260	2.5	2.6
Environmental, Exposure-Related and Occupational Lung Diseases	959	9.0	9.6
Fungal Lung Diseases	695	6.6	7.0
Global Health	302	2.9	3.0
HAP/VAP	397	3.7	4.0
HIV/AIDS	341	3.2	3.4
Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis	2,228	21.0	22.3
Infectious Lung Diseases, Other	1,503	14.2	15.1
Interstitial Lung Diseases, Other	2,318	21.9	23.2
Interventional Pulmonary	475	4.5	4.8
Lung Cancers	1,393	13.1	14.0
Lymphangiomyomatosis	435	4.1	4.4
Mechanical Ventilation	975	9.2	9.8
Mesothelioma	253	2.4	2.5
Myasthenia Gravis	189	1.8	1.9
Narcolepsy	233	2.2	2.3
Non-Invasive Ventilation	769	7.3	7.7
Non-specific Interstitial Pneumonitis	443	4.2	4.4
Nontuberculous Mycobacterial Infection	649	6.1	6.5
Obstructive Sleep Apnea	1,018	9.6	10.2
Parasomnias	221	2.1	2.2
Pleura and Chest Wall Diseases, Other	676	6.4	6.8
Pleural Effusion	937	8.8	9.4
Pleural Infections	804	7.6	8.1
Pneumonia	1,548	14.6	15.5
Pneumothorax	513	4.8	5.1
Primary Ciliary Dyskinesia	321	3.0	3.2

*Disease or Procedure Areas of Interest Continued on Next Page*

<b>6. DISEASE OR PROCEDURE AREAS OF INTEREST (Continued)</b>			
Areas of Interest	Total Attendees	Percent of Total	Percent Identified by Areas of Interest
Pulmonary Embolism/Deep Vein Thrombosis	744	7.0	7.5
Pulmonary Hypertension	1,818	17.1	18.2
Pulmonary Rehabilitation	423	4.0	4.2
Pulmonary Vascular Diseases, Other	1,095	10.3	11.0
Rare Lung Diseases	988	9.3	9.9
Respiratory Failure/Injury	1,496	14.1	15.0
Restless Leg Syndrome	238	2.2	2.4
Sarcoidosis	984	9.3	9.9
Scleroderma	393	3.7	3.9
Sepsis	1,487	14.0	14.9
Shock	1,133	10.7	11.4
Sickle Cell Disease	195	1.8	2.0
Sleep-Related and Neuromuscular Breathing Disorders, Other	751	7.1	7.5
Systemic Diseases Affecting the Respiratory System	808	7.6	8.1
Transplantation	596	5.6	6.0
Tuberculosis	865	8.2	8.7
Not Applicable	2,370	22.4	23.8
Total Conference and Exhibit Only Attendees Identified Areas of Interest	9,979	94.1	-
Total Conference and Exhibit Only Attendees Not Identified by Areas of Interest	627	5.9	-
<b>TOTAL CONFERENCE AND EXHIBIT ONLY ATTENDEES</b>	<b>10,606</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>-</b>

7. GEOGRAPHIC BREAKOUT OF ATTENDEES					
STATE	TOTAL	PERCENT	STATE	TOTAL	PERCENT
<b>NEW ENGLAND</b>	<b>763</b>	<b>7.2</b>	<b>EAST SO. CENTRAL</b>	<b>302</b>	<b>2.9</b>
Maine	5		Kentucky	47	
New Hampshire	14		Tennessee	122	
Vermont	35		Alabama	123	
Massachusetts	511		Mississippi	10	
Rhode Island	35		<b>WEST SO. CENTRAL</b>	<b>433</b>	<b>4.1</b>
Connecticut	163		Arkansas	19	
<b>MIDDLE ATLANTIC</b>	<b>1,433</b>	<b>13.5</b>	Louisiana	73	
New York	661		Oklahoma	21	
New Jersey	220		Texas	320	
Pennsylvania	552		<b>MOUNTAIN</b>	<b>532</b>	<b>5.1</b>
<b>EAST NO. CENTRAL</b>	<b>1,036</b>	<b>9.8</b>	Montana	6	
Ohio	361		Idaho	7	
Indiana	101		Wyoming	1	
Illinois	288		Colorado	268	
Michigan	209		New Mexico	18	
Wisconsin	77		Arizona	142	
<b>WEST NO. CENTRAL</b>	<b>473</b>	<b>4.5</b>	Utah	62	
Minnesota	197		Nevada	28	
Iowa	59		<b>PACIFIC</b>	<b>1,558</b>	<b>14.8</b>
Missouri	131		Alaska	3	
North Dakota	8		Washington	173	
South Dakota	6		Oregon	95	
Nebraska	26		California	1,273	
Kansas	46		Hawaii	14	
<b>SOUTH ATLANTIC</b>	<b>1,165</b>	<b>11.0</b>	<b>UNITED STATES (includes PR)</b>	<b>7,731</b>	<b>72.9</b>
Delaware	19		<b>INTERNATIONAL</b>	<b>2,875</b>	<b>27.1</b>
Maryland	277		Canada	458	
Washington, DC	47		Mexico	124	
Virginia	152		Other International	2,293	
West Virginia	37		<b>TOTAL ATTENDEES</b>	<b>10,606</b>	<b>100.0</b>
North Carolina	270				
South Carolina	46				
Georgia	100				
Florida	217				



8. GEOGRAPHIC BREAKOUT OF ATTENDEES REGION & COUNTRY						
ASIA			EUROPE			
COUNTRY	TOTAL	PERCENT	COUNTRY	TOTAL	PERCENT	
<b>ASIA</b>	<b>679</b>	<b>6.4</b>	<b>EUROPE</b>	<b>1,182</b>	<b>11.1</b>	
Bangladesh	2		Austria	23		
India	31		Belgium	43		
Indonesia	8		Croatia	2		
Japan	234		Czech Republic (Czechia)	16		
Kazakhstan	1		Denmark	19		
Korea, Republic Of	150		Finland	3		
Nepal	6		France	224		
People's Republic of China*	139		Germany	163		
Pakistan	10		Greece	7		
Philippines	54		Ireland	47		
Singapore	21		Italy	130		
Thailand	15		Netherlands	49		
Vietnam	8		Norway	3		
<b>ASIA PACIFIC / OCEANIA</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>1.3</b>	Poland	17		
Australia	114		Portugal	4		
New Zealand	27		Romania	4		
United States Minor Outlying Islands	1		Russian Federation	1		
<b>CARIBBEAN</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>0.1</b>	Slovakia	1		
Curacao	3		Spain	61		
Dominican Republic	6		Sweden	25		
Guadeloupe	1		Switzerland	44		
Jamaica	2		Turkey	20		
Martinique	1		Ukraine	1		
Trinidad and Tobago	1		United Kingdom	275		
<b>CENTRAL AMERICA</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>MIDDLE EAST</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>0.5</b>	
Costa Rica	6		Bahrain	3		
El Salvador	1		Israel	23		
Guatemala	5		Jordan	2		
Honduras	2		Kuwait	3		
Panama	4		Lebanon	3		
<b>NORTH AMERICA</b>	<b>8,313</b>	<b>78.4</b>	Oman	1		
Canada	458		Qatar	4		
Mexico	124		Saudi Arabia	10		
United States (includes PR)	7,731		United Arab Emirates	8		
<b>SOUTH AMERICA</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>AFRICA</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>0.4</b>	
Argentina	29		Algeria	1		
Brazil	79		Congo, Democratic Republic of	1		
Chile	10		Egypt	2		
Colombia	23		Ethiopia	4		
Ecuador	1		Ghana	1		
Guyana	1		Kenya	4		
Peru	19		Madagascar	1		
Venezuela	2		Morocco	1		
			Nigeria	8		
			Rwanda	1		
			Sierra Leone	1		
			South Africa	10		
			Tanzania	1		
			Uganda	1		
			<b>TOTAL ATTENDEES</b>	<b>10,606</b>	<b>100.0</b>	

\*Note: People's Republic of China includes China, Hong Kong-PRC, and Taiwan



## International Audit Data 2024

Twenty-seven percent of those who attended the ATS International Conference hail from outside of the United States, making it a global gathering of the best minds in pulmonary, critical care and sleep medicine.

<u>Region</u>	<u>Verified Attendees</u>	<u>Percent of Total</u>
Asia	679	6.4
Asia Pacific/Oceania	142	1.3
Caribbean	14	0.1
Central America	18	0.2
North America	8,313	78.4
South America	164	1.6
Europe	1,182	11.1
Middle East	57	0.5
Africa	37	0.4
<b>Total Conference and Exhibit Only Attendees</b>	<b>10,606</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**STATEMENT OF CERTIFICATION – AUDIT CONDUCTED BY THE FREEMAN COMPANY, LLC**

We have examined the attendee records of American Thoracic (ATS) 2024 held May 17 –22, 2024 in San Diego, CA as reported in this Event Audit Report. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted event auditing standards. The audit process includes post event confirmations of attendance, and any other auditing procedures considered necessary.

Based on such examinations, the statements set forth in this report present fairly and accurately the total attendance of this event in conformance with generally accepted event measurement principles.

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