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Wheezing is a high-pitched, whistling noise that occurs with breathing. Identify possible common causes based on symptoms your child is experiencing.

**Abstract**

Find possible common causes of wheezing in children. See our Symptom Checker.

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**ENTER IN FARCRY:**

**When to get medical help**

Seek medical care immediately if your child is wheezing or having difficulty breathing.

**Self-care strategies**

Because of the nature of this symptom, it's best to contact your health care provider. Please see the "Seek Care" section to determine an appropriate course of action.

**More Information**

Wheezing MY00291

Wheezing in children: Could it be asthma? AN01092

**END OF FARCRY TEXT**

Find possible causes of wheezing in children based on specific factors. Check one or more factors on this page that apply to your child's symptom.

**Wheezing is**

New or recent

Ongoing or recurrent

Progressive or worsening

**Triggered or worsened by**

Allergens or irritants

Exposure to cold air

Mild to moderate exertion

**Related cough**

Disrupts sleep

Is dry

Is gasping, harsh or barking

Produces phlegm or sputum

**Accompanied by**

Bluish skin on face

Chest pain, tightness or discomfort

Chills or sweating

Delayed growth

Drooling or difficulty swallowing

Easy tiring during exercise or activity

Enlargement or rounding of fingertips or toes

Failure to thrive (infant or toddler)

Fever

Foul-smelling stools

Headache or facial pain

Hoarse voice

Mild body aches

Rapid heartbeat

Rapid or difficult breathing

Recurrent, severe respiratory infections

Repeated stops and starts in breathing during sleep

Runny or stuffy nose

Shortness of breath

Sneezing

Snoring

Sore throat

Swelling in hands, ankles or feet

Watery or itchy eyes

**Possible causes**

These diseases and conditions match at least one of the factors you selected. Those with the most matches are listed first.

DS00021 Asthma (1, p. 18; 2)

Wheezing is new or recent

Wheezing is ongoing or recurrent

Triggered or worsened by allergens or irritants

Triggered or worsened by exposure to cold air

Triggered or worsened by mild to moderate exertion

Related cough is dry

Accompanied by chest pain, tightness or discomfort

Accompanied by shortness of breath

DS00481 Bronchiolitis (1, p. 4; 3, p. 1110; 4)

Wheezing is new or recent

Related cough is dry

Related cough produces phlegm or sputum

Accompanied by fever

Accompanied by rapid heartbeat

Accompanied by rapid or difficult breathing

Accompanied by runny or stuffy nose

DS00031 Bronchitis (3, p. 1110; 5)

Wheezing is new or recent

Wheezing is ongoing or recurrent

Related cough produces phlegm or sputum

Accompanied by chest pain, tightness or discomfort

Accompanied by fever

Accompanied by runny or stuffy nose

Accompanied by shortness of breath

Accompanied by sore throat

DS00056 Common cold (3, p. 1110; 6)

Wheezing is new or recent

Related cough is dry

Related cough produces phlegm or sputum

Accompanied by fever

Accompanied by headache or facial pain

Accompanied by mild body aches

Accompanied by runny or stuffy nose

Accompanied by sneezing

Accompanied by sore throat

Accompanied by watery or itchy eyes

DS01117 Congenital heart defects in children (3, p. 1110; 7)

Wheezing is ongoing or recurrent

Wheezing is progressive or worsening

Accompanied by chest pain, tightness or discomfort

Accompanied by easy tiring during exercise or activity

Accompanied by swelling in hands, ankles or feet

DS00312 Croup (1, p. 3; 3, p. 1110; 8)

Wheezing is new or recent

Related cough is gasping, harsh or barking

Accompanied by bluish skin on face

Accompanied by drooling or difficulty swallowing

Accompanied by fever

Accompanied by hoarse voice

Accompanied by rapid or difficult breathing

Accompanied by runny or stuffy nose

DS00287 Cystic fibrosis (1, p. 6; 3, p. 1110; 9)

Wheezing is ongoing or recurrent

Related cough produces phlegm or sputum

Accompanied by delayed growth

Accompanied by enlargement or rounding of fingertips or toes

Accompanied by failure to thrive (infant or toddler)

Accompanied by foul-smelling stools

Accompanied by recurrent, severe respiratory infections

DS00174 Hay fever (1, p. 287; 3, p. 1110; 10)

Wheezing is new or recent

Wheezing is ongoing or recurrent

Triggered or worsened by allergens or irritants

Related cough is dry

Accompanied by headache or facial pain

Accompanied by runny or stuffy nose

Accompanied by sneezing

Accompanied by sore throat

DS00968 Obstructive sleep apnea (1, p. 367; 3, p. 1112; 11; 12)

Wheezing is ongoing or recurrent

Related cough disrupts sleep

Related cough is dry

Accompanied by repeated stops and starts in breathing during sleep

Accompanied by snoring

DS00135 Pneumonia (1, p. 7-8; 3, p. 1110; 13)

Wheezing is new or recent

Wheezing is ongoing or recurrent

Related cough is dry

Related cough produces phlegm or sputum

Accompanied by chest pain, tightness or discomfort

Accompanied by chills or sweating

Accompanied by fever

Accompanied by headache or facial pain

Accompanied by mild body aches

Accompanied by runny or stuffy nose

Accompanied by shortness of breath

Accompanied by sore throat

DS00414 Respiratory syncytial virus (1, p. 4; 3, p. 1110; 14)

Wheezing is new or recent

Related cough is dry

Related cough produces phlegm or sputum

Accompanied by fever

Accompanied by rapid heartbeat

Accompanied by rapid or difficult breathing

Accompanied by runny or stuffy nose

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