



2008 Statistical Report Anne Arundel County, MD

County accounted for 13.2% of human exposure calls to the Maryland Poison Center

Types of Calls

Total human exposures	4722	Animal Exposures	318
< 12 months	262	Information Calls	2633
1 year	807		
2 years	734		
3 years	338		
4 years	152		
5 years	96		
6-12 years	338		
13-19 years	339		
Adult	1649		
Unknown age	7		

Reason for exposure

Unintentional	3676
General	2465
Environmental	60
Occupational	57
Therapeutic Error	573
Misuse	431
Bite or Sting	56
Food Poisoning	30
Unknown	4
Intentional	898
Suspected Suicide	620
Misuse	129
Abuse	118
Unknown	31
Other	145
Contamination/Tampering	14
Malicious	8
Adverse Reaction/Drug	73
Adverse Reaction/Other	24
Unknown	26

Management Site

On site/non Healthcare Facility	3373
Healthcare Facility	1249
Other	53
Refused Referral	46
Unknown	1

Medical Outcome

No Effect	1549
Minor Effect	2687
Moderate Effect	260
Major Effect	32
Death	4
Other/Unknown	188

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Most common exposures, children under 6 years:

1. Cosmetics and personal care products
2. Foreign bodies
3. Household cleaning products
4. Analgesics
5. Topical medicines (for the skin)
6. Vitamins
7. Plants
8. Antihistamines
9. *(tie)* Cough and cold medicines
Gastrointestinal medicines (for the stomach)

Most common exposures, children 6-19 years:

1. Analgesics (pain relievers)
2. *(tie)* Cough and cold medicines
Sleep medicines and antipsychotics
4. Cosmetics and personal care products
5. *(tie)* Foreign bodies
Stimulants and street drugs
7. *(tie)* Antidepressants
Household cleaning products
9. *(tie)* Antihistamines
Arts and crafts products

Most common exposures, adults 20 years and older:

1. Sleep medicines and antipsychotics
2. Analgesics (pain relievers)
3. Alcohols
4. Antidepressants
5. Heart medicines
6. Hormones
7. Household cleaning products
8. *(tie)* Anticonvulsants
Stimulants and street drugs
9. Cosmetics and personal care products
10. Antihistamines