



Maryland Poison Center
University of Maryland School of Pharmacy

2008 Statistical Report
Caroline County, MD

County accounted for 0.8% of human exposure calls to the Maryland Poison Center

Types of Calls

Total human exposures	282	Animal Exposures	23
< 12 months	16	Information Calls	149
1 year	65		
2 years	62		
3 years	28		
4 years	9		
5 years	6		
6-12 years	19		
13-19 years	19		
Adult	58		
Unknown age	0		

Reason for exposure

Unintentional	269
General	192
Environmental	3
Occupational	5
Therapeutic Error	41
Misuse	24
Bite or Sting	3
Food Poisoning	1
Intentional	9
Suspected Suicide	5
Misuse	2
Abuse	2
Other	4
Malicious	1
Adverse Reaction/Drug	3

Management Site

On site/non Healthcare Facility	264
Healthcare Facility	12
Other	4
Refused Referral	2

Medical Outcome

No Effect	107
Minor Effect	164
Moderate Effect	3
Major Effect	0
Death	0
Other/Unknown	8

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Most common exposures, children under 6 years:

1. Cosmetics and personal care products
2. Analgesics (pain relievers)
3. Foreign bodies
4. Topical medicines (for the skin)
5. Household cleaning products
6. Pesticides
7. Vitamins
8. *(tie)* Antihistamines
Hydrocarbons

Most common exposures, children 6-19 years:

1. Analgesics
2. *(tie)* Chemicals
Cold and cough medicines
4. *(tie)* Heart Medicines
Household cleaning products
Sleep medicines and antipsychotics
7. *(tie)* Antihistamines
Antimicrobials
Arts and crafts products
Pesticides

Most common exposures, adults 20 years and older:

1. Household cleaning products
2. Analgesics (pain relievers)
3. Muscle relaxants
4. Pesticides
5. *(tie)* Antidepressants
Gastrointestinal products (for the stomach)
Heart medicines
Hydrocarbons