



2009 Statistical Report Wicomico County, MD

County accounted for 2.4% of human exposure calls to the Maryland Poison Center

Types of Calls

Total human exposures	888	Animal Exposures	61
< 12 months	49	Information Calls	446
1 year	160		
2 years	131		
3 years	51		
4 years	44		
5 years	20		
6-12 years	59		
13-19 years	63		
Adult	288		
Unknown age	23		

Reason for exposure

Unintentional	709
General	446
Environmental	7
Occupational	20
Therapeutic Error	130
Misuse	88
Bite or Sting	11
Food Poisoning	7
Intentional	148
Suspected Suicide	101
Misuse	25
Abuse	17
Unknown	5
Other	31
Contamination/Tampering	4
Malicious	3
Adverse Reaction/Drug	16
Adverse Reaction/Other	5
Unknown	3

Management Site

On site/non Healthcare Facility	586
Healthcare Facility	279
Other	12
Refused Referral	11

Medical Outcome

No Effect	283
Minor Effect	525
Moderate Effect	38
Major Effect	4
Death	1
Other/Unknown	37

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Most common exposures, children under 6 years:

1. Cosmetics and personal care products
2. Household cleaning products
3. Analgesics (pain relievers)
4. Topical medicines (for the skin)
5. Foreign bodies
6. Cold and cough medicines
7. Gastrointestinal medicines (for the stomach)
8. Heart medicines
9. Electrolytes and minerals
10. Antihistamines

Most common exposures, children 6-19 years:

1. Analgesics (pain relievers)
2. Cold and cough medicines
3. *(tie)* Antidepressants
Sleep medicines and antipsychotics
5. *(tie)* Alcohols
Foreign bodies
Stimulants and street drugs
8. Cosmetics and personal care products
9. Vitamins
10. Household cleaning products

Most common exposures, adults 20 years and older:

1. Analgesics (pain relievers)
2. Sleep medicines and antipsychotics
3. Heart medicines
4. Antidepressants
5. Household cleaning products
6. Pesticides
7. Anticonvulsants
8. *(tie)* Alcohols
Antihistamines
Antimicrobials
Muscle relaxants

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