



2011 Statistical Report Baltimore County, MD

County accounted for 18.3% of human exposure calls to the Maryland Poison Center

Types of Calls

Total human exposures	6513	Animal Exposures	338
< 12 months	339		
1 year	1025	Information Calls	5579
2 years	926		
3 years	414		
4 years	210		
5 years	121		
6-12 years	413		
13-19 years	460		
20-59 years	1942		
>60 years	585		
Unknown child	11		
Unknown adult	60		
Unknown age	7		

Reason for exposure

Unintentional	5159
General	3035
Environmental	133
Occupational	93
Therapeutic Error	971
Misuse	760
Bite or Sting	96
Food Poisoning	67
Unknown	4
Intentional	1078
Suspected Suicide	707
Misuse	170
Abuse	137
Unknown	64
Other	276
Contamination/Tampering	24
Malicious	23
Adverse Reaction/Drug	145
Adverse Reaction/Other	46
Unknown	38

Management Site

On site/non Healthcare Facility	4744
Healthcare Facility	1486
Other	198
Refused Referral	80
Unknown	5

Medical Outcome

No Effect	2150
Minor Effect	3711
Moderate Effect	296
Major Effect	31
Death	3
Other/Unknown	322

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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. Foreign bodies
5. Topical medicines (for the skin)
6. Vitamins
7. Pesticides
8. Antihistamines
9. Antimicrobials
10. Arts and crafts products

Most common exposures, children 6-19 years:

1. Analgesics (pain relievers)
2. Cosmetics and personal care products
3. Sleep medicines and antipsychotics
4. Stimulants and street drugs
5. Antidepressants
6. Cold and cough medicines
7. Foreign bodies
8. Antihistamines
9. Household cleaning products
10. Arts and crafts products

Most common exposures, adults 20 years and older:

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

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