



2015 Statistical Report Dorchester County, MD

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

Types of Calls

Total human exposures	277	Animal Exposures	9
< 12 months	8	Information Calls	123
1 year	39		
2 years	42		
3 years	13		
4 years	8		
5 years	5		
6-12 years	13		
13-19 years	25		
20-59 years	93		
>60 years	30		
Unknown age	1		

Reason for exposure

Unintentional	177
General	118
Environmental	1
Occupational	3
Therapeutic Error	35
Misuse	17
Bite or Sting	2
Food poisoning	1
Unknown	0
Intentional	86
Suspected Suicide	52
Misuse	8
Abuse	21
Unknown	5
Other	14
Contamination/tampering	0
Malicious	2
Adverse Reaction/Drug	6
Adverse Reaction/Other	4
Unknown	2

Management Site

On site/non Healthcare Facility	142
Healthcare Facility	126
Other	8
Refused Referral	1

Medical Outcome

No Effect	61
Minor Effect	166
Moderate Effect	30
Major Effect	6
Death	0
Other/Unknown	14

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Most common exposures, children under 6 years:

1. Household cleaning products
2. Analgesics (pain relievers)
3. Cosmetics and personal care products
4. Topical medicines (for the skin)
5. Vitamins

Most common exposures, children 6-19 years:

1. *(tie)* Analgesics (pain relievers)
Stimulants and street drugs
3. Antihistamines
4. *(tie)* Anticonvulsants
Antidepressants
Cosmetics and personal care products
Hydrocarbons
Plants

Most common exposures, adults 20-59 years:

1. Sedatives and antipsychotics
2. Analgesics (pain relievers)
3. Antidepressants
4. Stimulants and street drugs
5. Alcohols

Most common exposures, adults 60 years and older:

1. Analgesics (pain relievers)
2. Sedatives and antipsychotics
3. *(tie)* Heart medicines
Hormones (including antidiabetic and thyroid medicines)
5. Antidepressants