



Maryland Poison Center
University of Maryland School of Pharmacy

2006 Statistical Report
St. Mary's County, MD

County accounted for 2.8% of human exposure calls to the Maryland Poison Center

Types of Calls

Total human exposures	917	Animal Exposures	39
< 12 months	41	Information Calls	535
1 year	150		
2 years	163		
3 years	71		
4 years	32		
5 years	20		
6-12 years	71		
13-19 years	74		
Adult	292		
Unknown age	3		

Reason for exposure

Unintentional	755
General	542
Environmental	12
Occupational	27
Therapeutic Error	104
Misuse	42
Bite or Sting	24
Food Poisoning	4
Intentional	146
Suspected Suicide	109
Misuse	19
Abuse	14
Unknown	4
Other	16
Malicious	2
Adverse Reaction/Drug	11
Adverse Reaction/Other	2
Unknown	1

Management Site

On site/non Healthcare Facility	619
Healthcare Facility	286
Other	3
Refused Referral	9

Medical Outcome

No Effect	281
Minor Effect	564
Moderate Effect	41
Major Effect	1
Death	0
Other/Unknown	29

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Most common exposures, children under 6 years:

1. Cosmetics and personal care products
2. Household cleaning products
3. *(tie)* Analgesics (pain relievers)
Foreign bodies
5. Cold and cough medicines
6. Topical medicines (for the skin)
7. Vitamins
8. *(tie)* Pesticides
Plants
10. Antimicrobials

Most common exposures, children 6-19 years:

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

Most common exposures, adults 20 years and older:

1. Analgesics
2. Sleep medicines and antipsychotics
3. Antidepressants
4. Alcohols
5. *(tie)* Bites and stings
Household cleaning products
Heart medicines
8. Fumes, gases or vapors
9. Anticonvulsants
10. *(tie)* Cold and cough medicines
Stimulants and street drugs