



## 2009 Statistical Report St. Mary's County, MD

County accounted for 2.9% of human exposure calls to the Maryland Poison Center

### Types of Calls

<b>Total human exposures</b>	<b>1,076</b>	<b>Animal Exposures</b>	<b>54</b>
< 12 months	51	<b>Information Calls</b>	<b>591</b>
1 year	155		
2 years	209		
3 years	95		
4 years	41		
5 years	20		
6-12 years	66		
13-19 years	75		
Adult	360		
Unknown age	4		

### Reason for exposure

<b>Unintentional</b>	<b>821</b>
General	546
Environmental	5
Occupational	7
Therapeutic Error	137
Misuse	81
Bite or Sting	35
Food Poisoning	10
<b>Intentional</b>	<b>217</b>
Suspected Suicide	146
Misuse	42
Abuse	21
Unknown	8
<b>Other</b>	<b>38</b>
Contamination/tampering	3
Malicious	2
Adverse Reaction/Drug	20
Adverse Reaction/Other	7
Unknown	6

### Management Site

On site/non Healthcare Facility	732
Healthcare Facility	326
Other	10
Refused Referral	8

### Medical Outcome

No Effect	353
Minor Effect	629
Moderate Effect	52
Major Effect	7
Death	1
Other/Unknown	34

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**Most common exposures, children under 6 years:**

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

**Most common exposures, children 6-19 years:**

1. Analgesics (pain relievers)
2. *(tie)* Cold and cough medicines  
Sleep medicines and antipsychotics
4. Food products/food poisoning
5. Bites and stings
6. Antihistamines
7. *(tie)* Cosmetics and personal care products  
Foreign bodies
9. *(tie)* Antidepressants  
Arts and crafts products  
Household cleaning products

**Most common exposures, adults 20 years and older:**

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