



Maryland Poison Center
University of Maryland School of Pharmacy

2010 Statistical Report
Charles County, MD

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

Types of Calls

Total human exposures	994	Animal Exposures	53
< 12 months	43	Information Calls	366
1 year	146		
2 years	158		
3 years	66		
4 years	37		
5 years	11		
6-12 years	90		
13-19 years	82		
20-59 years	296		
>60 years	57		
Unknown Age	8		

Reason for exposure

Unintentional	748
General	461
Environmental	6
Occupational	18
Therapeutic Error	132
Misuse	103
Bite or Sting	24
Food Poisoning	4
Intentional	205
Suspected Suicide	144
Misuse	23
Abuse	25
Unknown	13
Other	41
Contamination/Tampering	3
Malicious	7
Adverse Reaction/Drug	13
Adverse Reaction/Other	10
Unknown	8

Management Site

On site/non Healthcare Facility	675
Healthcare Facility	300
Other	9
Refused Referral	10

Medical Outcome

No Effect	337
Minor Effect	558
Moderate Effect	53
Major Effect	2
Death	0
Other/Unknown	44

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Most common exposures, children under 6 years:

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

Most common exposures, children 6-19 years:

1. Analgesics (pain relievers)
2. Cold and cough medicines
3. Antihistamines
4. Bites and stings
5. *(tie)* Foreign bodies
Sleep medicines and antipsychotics
7. Cosmetics and personal care products
8. *(tie)* Alcohols
Heart medicines
10. *(tie)* Anticonvulsants
Antidepressants
Household cleaning products

Most common exposures, adults 20 years and older:

1. Analgesics (pain relievers)
2. Sleep medicines and antipsychotics
3. Alcohols
4. Heart medicines
5. *(tie)* Antidepressants
Household cleaning substances
7. Cosmetics and personal care products
8. *(tie)* Muscle relaxants
Stimulants and street drugs
10. *(tie)* Bites and stings
Hormones (including insulin and anti-diabetic medicines)