



Maryland Poison Center
University of Maryland School of Pharmacy

2010 Statistical Report
St. Mary's County, MD

County accounted for 2.6% of human exposure calls to the Maryland Poison Center

Types of Calls

Total human exposures	946	Animal Exposures	30
< 12 months	47	Information Calls	505
1 year	152		
2 years	163		
3 years	82		
4 years	31		
5 years	14		
6-12 years	61		
13-19 years	46		
20-59 years	287		
>60 years	60		
Unknown age	3		

Reason for exposure

Unintentional	731
General	480
Environmental	10
Occupational	9
Therapeutic Error	118
Misuse	81
Bite or Sting	28
Food Poisoning	3
Unknown	2
Intentional	187
Suspected Suicide	131
Misuse	20
Abuse	22
Unknown	14
Other	28
Contamination/tampering	2
Malicious	1
Adverse Reaction/Drug	18
Adverse Reaction/Other	6
Unknown	1

Management Site

On site/non Healthcare Facility	639
Healthcare Facility	285
Other	7
Refused Referral	15

Medical Outcome

No Effect	295
Minor Effect	542
Moderate Effect	72
Major Effect	5
Death	1
Other/Unknown	31

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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. *(tie)* Topical medicines (for the skin)
Vitamins
7. Antihistamines
8. Gastrointestinal medicines (for the stomach)
9. Cold and cough medicines
10. Pesticides

Most common exposures, children 6-19 years:

1. Cold and cough medicines
2. Analgesics (pain relievers)
3. Stimulants and street drugs
4. *(tie)* Antidepressants
Foreign bodies
Sleep medicines and antipsychotics
7. *(tie)* Alcohols
Cosmetics and personal care products
9. Antihistamines
10. *(tie)* Bites and stings
Pesticides

Most common exposures, adults 20 years and older:

1. Sleep medicines and antipsychotics
2. Analgesics
3. Antidepressants
4. Alcohols
5. Heart medicines
6. Bites and stings
7. Household cleaning products
8. Anticonvulsants
9. Stimulants and street drugs
10. Muscle relaxants