



2011 Statistical Report Worcester County, MD

County accounted for 1.2% of human exposure calls to the Maryland Poison Center

Types of Calls

Total human exposures	437	Animal Exposures	27
< 12 months	17	Information Calls	306
1 year	63		
2 years	53		
3 years	22		
4 years	11		
5 years	4		
6-12 years	20		
13-19 years	22		
20-59 years	96		
>60 years	52		
Unknown age	77		

Reason for exposure

Unintentional	372
General	169
Environmental	81
Occupational	4
Therapeutic Error	63
Misuse	39
Bite or Sting	10
Food Poisoning	6
Intentional	52
Suspected Suicide	27
Misuse	10
Abuse	11
Unknown	4
Other	13
Malicious	1
Adverse Reaction/Drug	9
Adverse Reaction/Other	0
Unknown	3

Management Site

On site/non Healthcare Facility	239
Healthcare Facility	113
Other/Unknown	82
Refused Referral	3

Medical Outcome

No Effect	111
Minor Effect	289
Moderate Effect	15
Major Effect	1
Death	1
Other/Unknown	20

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Most common exposures, children under 6 years:

1. Cosmetics and personal care products
2. Foreign bodies
3. Analgesics (pain relievers)
4. Household cleaning products
5. Pesticides
6. Topical medicines (for the skin)
7. *(tie)* Cold and cough medicines
Deodorizers
9. *(tie)* Antihistamines
GI medicines (for the stomach)
Heart medicines
Sleep medicines and antipsychotics

Most common exposures, children 6-19 years:

1. Analgesics (pain relievers)
2. *(tie)* Alcohols
Antidepressants
Antihistamines
Bites and stings
Chemicals
7. *(tie)* Cosmetics and personal care products
Household cleaning products
Vitamins

Most common exposures, adults 20 years and older:

1. Fumes and gases
2. Analgesics (pain relievers)
3. Sleep medicines and antipsychotics
4. Hormones (including antidiabetic and thyroid medicines)
5. *(tie)* Alcohols
Antidepressants
Heart medicines
8. Household cleaning products
9. Anticonvulsants
10. Pesticides