



2012 Statistical Report Charles County, MD

County accounted for 2.7% of human exposure calls to the Maryland Poison Center

Types of Calls

Total human exposures	955	Animal Exposures	45
< 12 months	37	Information Calls	238
1 year	160		
2 years	133		
3 years	68		
4 years	27		
5 years	17		
6-12 years	52		
13-19 years	82		
20-59 years	298		
>60 years	74		
Unknown Adult	6		
Unknown Age	1		

Reason for exposure

Unintentional	713
General	441
Environmental	18
Occupational	9
Therapeutic Error	123
Misuse	99
Bite or Sting	21
Food Poisoning	2
Intentional	190
Suspected Suicide	117
Misuse	24
Abuse	42
Unknown	7
Other	52
Contamination/Tampering	7
Malicious	3
Adverse Reaction/Drug	25
Adverse Reaction/Other	7
Unknown	10

Management Site

On site/non Healthcare Facility	615
Healthcare Facility	316
Other	14
Refused Referral	10

Medical Outcome

No Effect	276
Minor Effect	590
Moderate Effect	51
Major Effect	6
Death	1
Other/Unknown	31

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Most common exposures, children under 6 years:

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

Most common exposures, children 6-19 years:

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

Most common exposures, adults 20 years and older:

1. Analgesics (pain relievers)
2. Sleep medicines and antipsychotics
3. Alcohols
4. Heart medicines
5. Household cleaning substances
6. Antidepressants
7. Cosmetics and personal care products
8. Hormones (including anti-diabetic and thyroid medicines)
9. *(tie)* Anticonvulsants
Fumes, vapors and gases