



2012 Statistical Report Montgomery County, MD

NOTE: *This report reflects only the calls to the Maryland Poison Center from Montgomery County. For complete statistics regarding Montgomery County, statistics from the National Capitol Poison Center should also be consulted.*

County accounted for 1.5% of human exposure calls to the Maryland Poison Center

Types of Calls

Total human exposures	507	Animal Exposures	29
< 12 months	23	Information Calls	353
1 year	98		
2 years	100		
3 years	45		
4 years	24		
5 years	14		
6-12 years	31		
13-19 years	29		
20-59 years	111		
>60 years	27		
Unknown adult	4		
Unknown age	1		

Reason for exposure

Unintentional	449
General	295
Environmental	14
Occupational	3
Therapeutic Error	62
Misuse	62
Bite or Sting	8
Food Poisoning	4
Unknown	1
Intentional	39
Suspected Suicide	19
Misuse	12
Abuse	6
Unknown	2
Other	19
Contamination/Tampering	3
Malicious	4
Adverse Reaction/Drug	5
Adverse Reaction/Other	3
Unknown Reason	4

Management Site

On site/non Healthcare Facility	444
Healthcare Facility	48
Other	11
Refused Referral	4

Medical Outcome

No Effect	180
Minor Effect	301
Moderate Effect	5
Major Effect	1
Death	1
Other/Unknown	19

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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. Topical medicines (for the skin)
6. Vitamins
7. Electrolytes and minerals
8. *(tie)* Cold and cough medicines
 GI medicines (for the stomach)
10. Pesticides

Most common exposures, children 6-19 years:

1. Pesticides
2. Cosmetics and personal care products
3. *(tie)* Analgesics (pain relievers)
 Household cleaning products
5. *(tie)* Chemicals
 Cold and cough medicines
 Foreign bodies
 Photographic products
 Stimulants and street drugs

Most common exposures, adults 20 years and older:

1. Household cleaning products
2. Analgesics (pain relievers)
3. Sleep medicines and antipsychotics
4. Cosmetics and personal care products
5. *(tie)* Alcohols
 Pesticides
7. *(tie)* Antidepressants
 Heart medicines
9. Antihistamines
10. *(tie)* Foreign bodies
 Hormones (including antidiabetic and thyroid medicines)
 Vitamins