



2012 Statistical Report State of Maryland

Types of Calls

Total human exposures	34,673	Animal Exposures	1,432
< 12 months	1,610	Information Calls	26,070
1 year	4,955		
2 years	4,606		
3 years	2,246		
4 years	1,201		
5 years	698		
6-12 years	2,337		
13-19 years	2,744		
20-59	11,059		
>60 years	2,790		
Unknown child	32		
Unknown adult	325		
Unknown age	70		

Reason for exposure

Unintentional	25,846
General	15,553
Environmental	508
Occupational	418
Therapeutic Error	4,855
Misuse	3,707
Bite or Sting	442
Food Poisoning	347
Unknown	16
Intentional	7,002
Suspected Suicide	4,346
Misuse	1,017
Abuse	1,282
Unknown	357
Other	1,825
Contamination/Tampering	102
Malicious	134
Adverse Reaction/Drug	827
Adverse Reaction/Other	433
Other	33
Unknown	296

Management Site

On site/non Healthcare Facility	22,883
Healthcare Facility	10,282
Other	1,051
Refused Referral	421
Unknown	36

Medical Outcome

No Effect	10,574
Minor Effect	20,019
Moderate Effect	2,274
Major Effect	237
Death	36
Other/Unknown	1,533

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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. Antihistamines
7. Vitamins
8. Pesticides
9. Antimicrobials
10. Plants

Most common exposures, children 6-19 years:

1. Analgesics (pain relievers)
2. Stimulants and street drugs
3. Sleep medicines and antipsychotics
4. Antidepressants
5. Antihistamines
6. Cosmetics and personal care products
7. Cough and cold medicines
8. Foreign bodies
9. Household cleaning products
10. Heart medicines

Most common exposures, adults 20 years and older:

1. Analgesics (pain relievers)
2. Sleep medicines and antipsychotics
3. Antidepressants
4. Heart medicines
5. Alcohols
6. Household cleaning products
7. Cosmetics and personal care products
8. Anticonvulsants
9. Antihistamines
10. Stimulants and street drugs