



2013 Statistical Report Dorchester County, MD

County accounted for 0.8% of human exposure calls to the Maryland Poison Center

Types of Calls

Total human exposures	271	Animal Exposures	9
< 12 months	13	Information Calls	106
1 year	37		
2 years	29		
3 years	15		
4 years	12		
5 years	6		
6-12 years	26		
13-19 years	13		
20-59 years	90		
>60 years	29		
Unknown child	1		

Reason for exposure

Unintentional	188
General	119
Environmental	1
Occupational	4
Therapeutic Error	34
Misuse	26
Bite or Sting	4
Food poisoning	0
Unknown	0
Intentional	74
Suspected Suicide	50
Misuse	13
Abuse	11
Unknown	0
Other	9
Contamination/tampering	1
Malicious	1
Adverse Reaction/Drug	4
Adverse Reaction/Other	1
Unknown	2

Management Site

On site/non Healthcare Facility	149
Healthcare Facility	106
Other	14
Refused Referral	2

Medical Outcome

No Effect	92
Minor Effect	154
Moderate Effect	16
Major Effect	2
Death	0
Other/Unknown	7

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Most common exposures, children under 6 years:

1. Cosmetics and personal care products
2. Foreign bodies
3. *(tie)* Analgesics (pain relievers)
 - Antihistamines
 - Deodorizers
 - Household cleaning products
 - Pesticides

Most common exposures, children 6-19 years:

1. Sleep medicines and antipsychotics
2. Cosmetics and personal care products
3. Analgesics (pain relievers)
4. *(tie)* Antidepressants
 - Bites and stings
 - Foreign bodies
 - Heart medicines
 - Household cleaning products
 - Stimulants and street drugs

Most common exposures, adults 20-59 years:

1. Sleep medicines and antipsychotics
2. Analgesics (pain relievers)
3. Alcohols
4. Stimulants and street drugs
5. Antidepressants

Most common exposures, adults 60 years and older:

1. Heart medicines
2. *(tie)* Anticholinergic medicines
 - Cosmetics and personal care products
 - Household cleaning products
5. Analgesics (pain relievers)