



2015 Statistical Report Worcester County, MD

County accounted for 1.0% of human exposure calls to the Maryland Poison Center

Types of Calls

Total human exposures	304	Animal Exposures	22
< 12 months	9	Information Calls	163
1 year	55		
2 years	28		
3 years	12		
4 years	10		
5 years	6		
6-12 years	18		
13-19 years	18		
20-59 years	104		
>60 years	38		
Unknown age	6		

Reason for exposure

Unintentional	243
General	124
Environmental	5
Occupational	21
Therapeutic Error	46
Misuse	38
Bite or Sting	5
Food Poisoning	4
Intentional	42
Suspected Suicide	21
Misuse	11
Abuse	10
Other	19
Malicious	0
Contamination/tampering	0
Adverse Reaction/Drug	11
Adverse Reaction/Other	6
Unknown	2

Management Site

On site/non Healthcare Facility	190
Healthcare Facility	101
Other/Unknown	8
Refused Referral	5

Medical Outcome

No Effect	59
Minor Effect	203
Moderate Effect	23
Major Effect	2
Death	0
Other/Unknown	17

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Most common exposures, children under 6 years:

1. Cosmetics and personal care products
2. Household cleaning products
3. Vitamins
4. Analgesics (pain relievers)
5. Topical medicines (for the skin)

Most common exposures, children 6-19 years:

1. *(tie)* Analgesics (pain relievers)
Antidepressants
3. *(tie)* Foreign bodies
Household cleaning products
5. *(tie)* Cosmetics and personal care products
Heavy metals
Hydrocarbons

Most common exposures, adults 20-59 years:

1. Analgesics (pain relievers)
2. Antidepressants
3. Household cleaning products
4. Sedatives and antipsychotics
5. *(tie)* Alcohols
Chemicals
Fumes, gases, and vapors
Hydrocarbons
Pesticides

Most common exposures, adults 60 years and older:

1. Hormones (including antidiabetic and thyroid medicines)
2. Analgesics (pain relievers)
3. Household cleaning products
4. *(tie)* Heart medicines
Topical medicines (for the skin)