



2017 Statistical Report Charles County, MD

County accounted for 2.3% of human exposure calls to the Maryland Poison Center

Types of Calls

Total human exposures	751	Animal Exposures	30
< 12 months	28	Information Calls	92
1 year	81		
2 years	87		
3 years	34		
4 years	26		
5 years	11		
6-12 years	52		
13-19 years	76		
20-59 years	264		
>60 years	73		
Unknown Age	19		

Reason for exposure

Unintentional	510
General	265
Environmental	3
Occupational	20
Therapeutic Error	123
Misuse	83
Bite or Sting	13
Food Poisoning	3
Unknown	0
Intentional	206
Suspected Suicide	134
Misuse	23
Abuse	40
Unknown	9
Other	35
Contamination/Tampering	3
Malicious	13
Adverse Reaction/Drug	9
Adverse Reaction/Other	2
Unknown	8

Management Site

On site/non Healthcare Facility	407
Healthcare Facility	313
Other/Unknown	22
Refused Referral	9

Medical Outcome

No Effect	195
Minor Effect	427
Moderate Effect	58
Major Effect	17
Death	1
Other/Unknown	53

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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. Antihistamines

Most common exposures, children 6-12 years:

1. Cosmetics and personal care products
2. Foreign bodies
3. *(tie)* Analgesics (pain relievers)
 Arts/crafts/office supplies
 Cold and cough medicines

Most common exposures, children 13-19 years:

1. Analgesics (pain relievers)
2. Antihistamines
3. Lacrimators
4. Stimulants and street drugs
5. Sedatives and antipsychotics

Most common exposures, adults 20-59 years:

1. Analgesics (pain relievers)
2. Sedatives and antipsychotics
3. Alcohols
5. *(tie)* Antidepressants
 Stimulants and street drugs

Most common exposures, adults 60 years and older:

1. Heart medicines
2. Hormones (including antidiabetic and thyroid medicines)
3. *(tie)* Analgesics (pain relievers)
 Anticonvulsants
 Bites and stings