



## 2017 Statistical Report Worcester County, MD

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

### Types of Calls

|                              |            |                          |            |
|------------------------------|------------|--------------------------|------------|
| <b>Total human exposures</b> | <b>273</b> | <b>Animal Exposures</b>  | <b>11</b>  |
| < 12 months                  | 9          | <b>Information Calls</b> | <b>119</b> |
| 1 year                       | 33         |                          |            |
| 2 years                      | 37         |                          |            |
| 3 years                      | 19         |                          |            |
| 4 years                      | 9          |                          |            |
| 5 years                      | 5          |                          |            |
| 6-12 years                   | 19         |                          |            |
| 13-19 years                  | 18         |                          |            |
| 20-59 years                  | 86         |                          |            |
| >60 years                    | 34         |                          |            |
| Unknown age                  | 4          |                          |            |

### Reason for exposure

|                         |            |
|-------------------------|------------|
| <b>Unintentional</b>    | <b>223</b> |
| General                 | 114        |
| Environmental           | 3          |
| Occupational            | 7          |
| Therapeutic Error       | 56         |
| Misuse                  | 39         |
| Bite or Sting           | 2          |
| Food Poisoning          | 2          |
| <b>Intentional</b>      | <b>41</b>  |
| Suspected Suicide       | 21         |
| Misuse                  | 9          |
| Abuse                   | 11         |
| <b>Other</b>            | <b>9</b>   |
| Malicious               | 0          |
| Contamination/tampering | 1          |
| Adverse Reaction/Drug   | 1          |
| Adverse Reaction/Other  | 5          |
| Unknown                 | 2          |

### Management Site

|                                 |     |
|---------------------------------|-----|
| On site/non Healthcare Facility | 187 |
| Healthcare Facility             | 74  |
| Other/Unknown                   | 6   |
| Refused Referral                | 6   |

### Medical Outcome

|                 |     |
|-----------------|-----|
| No Effect       | 59  |
| Minor Effect    | 174 |
| Moderate Effect | 22  |
| Major Effect    | 2   |
| Death           | 0   |
| Other/Unknown   | 16  |

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**Most common exposures, children under 6 years:**

1. Analgesics (pain relievers)
2. Household cleaning products
3. Cosmetics and personal care products
4. Vitamins
5. *(tie)* Antihistamines  
Foreign bodies

**Most common exposures, children 6-19 years:**

1. Stimulants and street drugs
2. *(tie)* Cosmetics and personal care products  
Sedatives and antipsychotics
4. Heart medicines
5. *(tie)* Antimicrobials  
Deodorizers (air fresheners)

**Most common exposures, adults 20-59 years:**

1. Antidepressants
2. Analgesics (pain relievers)
3. *(tie)* Alcohols  
Heart medicines  
Household cleaning products

**Most common exposures, adults 60 years and older:**

1. *(tie)* Heart medicines  
Sedatives and antipsychotics
3. *(tie)* Analgesics (pain relievers)  
Anticonvulsants  
Household cleaning products  
Hormones (including antidiabetic and thyroid medicines)