



2018 Statistical Report Dorchester County, MD

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

Types of Calls

Total human exposures	299	Animal Exposures	4
< 12 months	7	Information Calls	73
1 year	39		
2 years	34		
3 years	15		
4 years	4		
5 years	10		
6-12 years	18		
13-19 years	27		
20-59 years	120		
>60 years	22		
Unknown age	3		

Reason for exposure

Unintentional	201
General	108
Environmental	4
Occupational	9
Therapeutic Error	54
Misuse	23
Bite or Sting	3
Intentional	90
Suspected Suicide	43
Misuse	11
Abuse	33
Unknown	3
Other	8
Contamination/tampering	0
Malicious	2
Adverse Reaction/Drug	5
Adverse Reaction/Other	0
Unknown	1

Management Site

On site/non Healthcare Facility	159
Healthcare Facility	135
Other	2
Refused Referral	3

Medical Outcome

No Effect	55
Minor Effect	174
Moderate Effect	47
Major Effect	2
Death	0
Other/Unknown	21

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Most common exposures, children under 6 years:

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

Most common exposures, children 6-19 years:

1. Antihistamines
2. Stimulants and street drugs
3. Analgesics (pain relievers)
4. Sedatives and antipsychotics
5. *(tie)* Antidepressants
Heart medicines

Most common exposures, adults 20-59 years:

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

Most common exposures, adults 60 years and older:

1. Anticonvulsants
2. Antihistamines
3. Hormones (including antidiabetic and thyroid medicines)
4. Cold and cough medicines
5. Pesticides