

2021 Statistical Report: Baltimore City, MD

County accounted for 16.1% of human exposure calls to the Maryland Poison Center

Types of Calls

Call Types	Number of Cases
Total human exposures	4765
< 12 months	188
1 year	530
2 years	379
3 years	212
4 years	112
5 years	67
6-12 years	234
13-19 years	487
20-59 years	1843
> 60 years	568
Unknown age	145
Animal Exposures	109
Information Calls	1484

Reasons for Exposure

Exposure	Number of Cases
Unintentional	2982
General	1532
Environmental	98
Occupational	58
Therapeutic Error	643
Misuse	571
Bite or Sting	21
Food Poisoning	51
Unknown	8
Intentional	1375
Suspected Suicide	897
Misuse	141
Abuse	287
Unknown	50
Other	408
Contamination/Tampering	13
Malicious	36
Adverse Reaction/Drug	185
Adverse Reaction/Other	60
Other/Unknown	114

Management Site

Location	Number of Cases
On site/non Healthcare Facility	2525
Healthcare Facility	2063
Other	40
Refused Referral	137

Medical Outcome

Outcome	Number of Cases
No Effect	849
Minor Effect	2797
Moderate Effect	521
Major Effect	217
Death	26
Other/Unknown	355

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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. Dietary supplements
5. Foreign bodies and toys

Most common exposures, children 6-12 years:

1. Analgesics (pain relievers)
2. Stimulants and street drugs
3. Cosmetics and personal care products
4. Antihistamines
5. Foreign bodies and toys

Most common exposures, children 13-19 years:

1. Analgesics (pain relievers)
2. Antidepressants
3. Stimulants and street drugs
4. Household cleaning products
5. Antihistamines

Most common exposures, adults 20-59 years:

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

Most common exposures, adults 60 years and older:

1. Heart medicines
2. Analgesics (pain relievers)
3. Antidepressants
4. Sedatives and antipsychotics
5. Hormones (including antidiabetic and thyroid medicines)