

2022 Statistical Report: Allegany County, MD

County accounted for 1.8% of human exposure calls to the Maryland Poison Center

Types of Calls

Call Types	Number of Cases
Total human exposures	534
< 12 months	18
1 year	49
2 years	43
3 years	20
4 years	12
5 years	7
6-12 years	35
13-19 years	47
20-59 years	225
> 60 years	66
Unknown age	12
Animal Exposures	16
Information Calls	77

Reasons for Exposure

Exposure	Number of Cases
Unintentional	350
General	159
Environmental	8
Occupational	8
Therapeutic Error	116
Misuse	51
Bite or Sting	3
Food Poisoning	4
Unknown	1
Intentional	169
Suspected Suicide	118
Misuse	14
Abuse	36
Unknown	1
Other	15
Contamination/Tampering	1
Malicious	0
Adverse Reaction/Drug	5
Adverse Reaction/Other	3
Other/Unknown	6

Management Site

Location	Number of Cases
On site/non Healthcare Facility	262
Healthcare Facility	246
Other/Unknown	21
Refused Referral	5

Medical Outcome

Outcome	Number of Cases
No Effect	100
Minor Effect	304
Moderate Effect	59
Major Effect	32
Death	0
Other/Unknown	39

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Most common exposures, children under 6 years:

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

Most common exposures, children 6-12 years:

1. Analgesics (pain relievers)
2. (tie) Dietary supplements; Heart medicines
3. (tie) Arts, crafts, and office supplies; Cosmetics and personal care products; Foreign bodies and toys; Heart medicines; Hormones (including antidiabetic and thyroid medicines); Stimulants and street drugs

Most common exposures, children 13-19 years:

1. Analgesics (pain relievers)
2. Antidepressants
3. Antihistamines
4. Cosmetics and personal care products
5. (tie) Alcohols; Chemicals; Sedatives and antipsychotics

Most common exposures, adults 20-59 years:

1. Analgesics (pain relievers)
2. Sedatives and antipsychotics
3. Antidepressants
4. Anticonvulsants
5. (tie) Alcohols; Heart medicines

Most common exposures, adults 60 years and older:

1. Heart medicines
2. Sedatives and antipsychotics
3. Analgesics (pain relievers)
4. Anticonvulsants
5. Antidepressants