

2022 Statistical Report: St. Mary's County, MD

County accounted for 2.9% of human exposure calls to the Maryland Poison Center

Types of Calls

Call Types	Number of Cases
Total human exposures	869
< 12 months	42
1 year	112
2 years	99
3 years	49
4 years	28
5 years	14
6-12 years	78
13-19 years	95
20-59 years	264
> 60 years	67
Unknown age	21
Animal Exposures	23
Information Calls	84

Reasons for Exposure

Exposure	Number of Cases
Unintentional	613
General	357
Environmental	11
Occupational	10
Therapeutic Error	129
Misuse	76
Bite or Sting	22
Food Poisoning	7
Unknown	1
Intentional	209
Suspected Suicide	117
Misuse	24
Abuse	63
Unknown	5
Other	47
Contamination/Tampering	4
Malicious	1
Adverse Reaction/Drug	21
Adverse Reaction/Other	6
Other/Unknown	15

Management Site

Location	Number of Cases
On site/non Healthcare Facility	515
Healthcare Facility	288
Other	44
Refused Referral	22

Medical Outcome

Outcome	Number of Cases
No Effect	177
Minor Effect	516
Moderate Effect	73
Major Effect	44
Death	8
Other/Unknown	51

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Most common exposures, children under 6 years:

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

Most common exposures, children 6-12 years:

1. Cosmetics and personal care products
2. Analgesics (pain relievers)
3. (tie) Antihistamines; Foreign bodies and toys
5. (tie) Arts, crafts, and office supplies; Stimulants and street drugs

Most common exposures, children 13-19 years:

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

Most common exposures, adults 20-59 years:

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

Most common exposures, adults 60 years and older:

1. Heart medicines
2. Analgesics (pain relievers)
3. Anticonvulsants
4. (tie) Antihistamines; Hormones (including antidiabetic and thyroid medicines)