

2024 Statistical Report: Allegany County, MD

County accounted for 1.6% of human exposure calls to the Maryland Poison Center

Types of Calls

Call Types	Number of Cases
Total human exposures	479
< 12 months	18
1 year	68
2 years	42
3 years	23
4 years	17
5 years	12
6-12 years	34
13-19 years	36
20-59 years	165
> 60 years	51
Unknown age	13
Animal Exposures	8
Information Calls	63

Reasons for Exposure

Exposure	Number of Cases
Unintentional	350
General	185
Environmental	11
Occupational	2
Therapeutic Error	96
Misuse	41
Bite or Sting	6
Food Poisoning	8
Unknown	1
Intentional	112
Suspected Suicide	73
Misuse	15
Abuse	23
Unknown	1
Other	17
Contamination/Tampering	1
Malicious	1
Adverse Reaction/Drug	9
Adverse Reaction/Other	0
Other/Unknown	6

Management Site

Location	Number of Cases
On site/non Healthcare Facility	312
Healthcare Facility	146
Other/Unknown	15
Refused Referral	6

Medical Outcome

Outcome	Number of Cases
No Effect	220
Minor Effect	166
Moderate Effect	39
Major Effect	17
Death	2
Other/Unknown	35

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Most common exposures, children under 6 years:

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

Most common exposures, children 6-12 years:

1. Stimulants and street drugs
2. (tie) Antidepressants; Antihistamines; Antimicrobials; Cold and cough medicines; Cosmetics and personal care products; Dietary supplements; Plants; Sleep medicines and antipsychotics; Vitamins

Most common exposures, children 13-19 years:

1. Antidepressants
2. Antihistamines
3. Analgesics (pain relievers)
4. (tie) Cosmetics and personal care products; Stimulants and street drugs

Most common exposures, adults 20-59 years:

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

Most common exposures, adults 60 years and older:

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