

2024 Statistical Report: Montgomery County, MD

County accounted for 1.1% of human exposure calls to the Maryland Poison Center

Types of Calls

Call Types	Number of Cases
Total human exposures	333
< 12 months	14
1 year	34
2 years	23
3 years	27
4 years	10
5 years	11
6-12 years	32
13-19 years	20
20-59 years	81
> 60 years	63
Unknown age	18
Animal Exposures	1
Information Calls	36

Reasons for Exposure

Exposure	Number of Cases
Unintentional	295
General	122
Environmental	12
Occupational	3
Therapeutic Error	101
Misuse	43
Bite or Sting	2
Food Poisoning	12
Unknown	0
Intentional	26
Suspected Suicide	21
Misuse	2
Abuse	3
Unknown	0
Other	12
Contamination/Tampering	2
Malicious	1
Adverse Reaction/Drug	6
Adverse Reaction/Other	1
Other/Unknown	2

Management Site

Location	Number of Cases
On site/non Healthcare Facility	265
Healthcare Facility	44
Other/Unknown	22
Refused Referral	2

Medical Outcome

Outcome	Number of Cases
No Effect	157
Minor Effect	129
Moderate Effect	4
Major Effect	0
Death	0
Other/Unknown	43

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Most common exposures, children under 6 years:

1. Cosmetics and personal care products
2. Foreign bodies and toys
3. Vitamins
4. (tie) Antihistamines; Dietary supplements; Topical medicines (for the skin)

Most common exposures, children 6-12 years:

1. (tie) Antihistamines; Miscellaneous foods
3. (tie) Anticonvulsants; Chemicals; Dietary supplements; 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. Antihistamines
3. (tie) Household cleaning products; Sleep medicines and antipsychotics; Stimulants and street drugs

Most common exposures, adults 20-59 years:

1. Household cleaning products
2. Antidepressants
3. Antimicrobials
4. (tie) Analgesics (pain relievers); Cold and cough medicines

Most common exposures, adults 60 years and older:

1. Heart medicines
2. (tie) Analgesics (pain relievers); Hormones (including antidiabetic and thyroid medicines)
4. Topical medicines (for the skin)
5. (tie) Anticonvulsants; Antimicrobials; Cold and cough medicines; Cosmetics and personal care products; Household cleaning products; Stimulants and street drugs