



**Maryland Poison Center**  
*University of Maryland School of Pharmacy*

**2006 Statistical Report**  
**Cecil County, MD**

County accounted for 2.8% of human exposure calls to the Maryland Poison Center

**Types of Calls**

|                              |            |                          |            |
|------------------------------|------------|--------------------------|------------|
| <b>Total human exposures</b> | <b>924</b> | <b>Animal Exposures</b>  | <b>31</b>  |
| < 12 months                  | 40         | <b>Information Calls</b> | <b>604</b> |
| 1 year                       | 130        |                          |            |
| 2 years                      | 163        |                          |            |
| 3 years                      | 67         |                          |            |
| 4 years                      | 35         |                          |            |
| 5 years                      | 13         |                          |            |
| 6-12 years                   | 59         |                          |            |
| 13-19 years                  | 88         |                          |            |
| Adult                        | 322        |                          |            |
| Unknown age                  | 7          |                          |            |

**Reason for exposure**

|                         |            |
|-------------------------|------------|
| <b>Unintentional</b>    | <b>713</b> |
| General                 | 514        |
| Environmental           | 6          |
| Occupational            | 22         |
| Therapeutic Error       | 98         |
| Misuse                  | 55         |
| Bite or Sting           | 12         |
| Food Poisoning          | 6          |
| <b>Intentional</b>      | <b>192</b> |
| Suspected Suicide       | 143        |
| Misuse                  | 23         |
| Abuse                   | 20         |
| Unknown                 | 6          |
| <b>Other</b>            | <b>19</b>  |
| Contamination/Tampering | 1          |
| Malicious               | 4          |
| Adverse Reaction/Drug   | 12         |
| Adverse Reaction/Other  | 2          |

**Management Site**

|                                 |     |
|---------------------------------|-----|
| On site/non Healthcare Facility | 591 |
| Healthcare Facility             | 313 |
| Other                           | 10  |
| Refused Referral                | 10  |

**Medical Outcome**

|                 |     |
|-----------------|-----|
| No Effect       | 279 |
| Minor Effect    | 559 |
| Moderate Effect | 49  |
| Major Effect    | 1   |
| Death           | 2   |
| Other/Unknown   | 30  |

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**Most common exposures, children under 6 years:**

1. Cosmetics and personal care products
2. Analgesics (pain relievers)
3. Foreign bodies
4. Household cleaning products
5. *(tie)* Cold and cough medicines  
    Topical medicines (for the skin)
7. Vitamins
8. Plants
9. Antimicrobials
10. Pesticides

**Most common exposures, children 6-19 years:**

1. Analgesics (pain relievers)
2. Cold and cough medicines
3. Foreign bodies
4. Antidepressants
5. *(tie)* Cosmetics and personal care products  
    Sleep medicines and antipsychotics
7. Heart medicines
8. *(tie)* Household cleaning products  
    Pesticides
10. Antihistamines

**Most common exposures, adults 20 years and older:**

1. Sleep medicines and antipsychotics
2. Analgesics (pain relievers)
3. Antidepressants
4. Alcohols
5. Muscle relaxants
6. Anticonvulsants
7. Heart medicines
8. Household cleaning products
9. *(tie)* Cosmetics and personal care products  
    Hormones  
    Hydrocarbons