

2007 Statistical Report Cecil County, MD

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

Types of Calls

Total human exposures	1021	Animal Exposures	41
< 12 months	58		
1 year	145	Information Calls	593
2 years	182		
3 years	72		
4 years	20		
5 years	22		
6-12 years	75		
13-19 years	83		
Adult	364		

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Reason for exposure

Unintentional

General

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Environmental	11
Occupational	34
Therapeutic Error	96
Misuse	69
Bite or Sting	11
Food Poisoning	11
Intentional	205
Suspected Suicide	150
Misuse	28
Abuse	22
Unknown	5
Other	22
Contamination/Tampering	2
Malicious	3
Adverse Reaction/Drug	9

Adverse Reaction/Other

Unknown

Management Site

On site/non Healthcare Facility	704
Healthcare Facility	299
Other	9
Refused Referral	9
Medical Outcome	
No Effect	304
Minor Effect	634
Moderate Effect	46
Major Effect	4
Death	1
Other/Unknown	31

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Most common exposures, children under 6 years:

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

Most common exposures, children 6-19 years:

- 1. Analgesics (pain relievers)
- 2. Sleep medicines and antipsychotics
- 3. Cold and cough medicines
- 4. (tie) Antidepressants

Antihistamines

Household cleaning products

Food products/food poisoning

Stimulants and street drugs

5. (*tie*) Cosmetics and personal care products Foreign bodies

Most common exposures, adults 20 years and older:

- 1. Sleep medicines and antipsychotics
- 2. Analgesics (pain relievers)
- 3. Alcohols
- 4. Antidepressants
- 5. Hydrocarbons
- 6. Heart medicines
- 7. Antihistamines
- 8. (tie) Anticonvulsants

Cosmetics and personal care products

10. Muscle relaxants