

2009 Statistical Report Prince Georges County, MD

NOTE: This report reflects only the calls to the Maryland Poison Center from Prince Georges County. For complete statistics regarding Prince Georges County, statistics from the National Capitol Poison Center should also be consulted.

County accounted for 1.5% of human exposure calls to the Maryland Poison Center

Types of Calls

Total human exposures	559	Animal Exposures	40
< 12 months	33		
1 year	103	Information Calls	227
2 years	90		
3 years	37		
4 years	26		
5 years	20		
6-12 years	35		
13-19 years	32		
Adult	183		

487

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Reason for exposure

Unintentional

General 301 Environmental 11 Occupational 7 Therapeutic Error 80 Misuse 76 Bite or Sting 7 Food Poisoning 5 55 Intentional Suspected Suicide 29 Misuse 12 9 Abuse 5 Unknown 17 Other Contamination/tampering 4 5 Malicious Adverse Reaction/Drug 7

Adverse Reaction/Other

Management Site

On site/non Healthcare Facility Healthcare Facility Other Refused Referral	485 58 4 12
Medical Outcome	
No Effect Minor Effect Moderate Effect Major Effect Death Other/Unknown	200 319 13 1 0 26

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Most common exposures, children under 6 years:

- 1. Cosmetics and personal care products
- 2. Household cleaning products
- 3. Foreign bodies
- 4. Analgesics (pain relievers)
- 5. Topical medicines (for the skin)
- 6. Arts and crafts products
- 7. *(tie)* Antihistamines Antimicrobials
- 9. Alcohols
- 10. Pesticides

Most common exposures, children 6-19 years:

- 1. Analgesics (pain relievers)
- 2. Antihistamines
- 3. Cold and cough medicines
- 4. Household cleaning products
- 5. (*tie*) Cosmetics and personal care products Vitamins
- 7. (tie) Arts and crafts products

Pesticides

9. (tie) Alcohols

Antidepressants

Mushrooms

Most common exposures, adults 20 years and older:

- 1. Analgesics (pain relievers)
- 2. Sleep medicines and antipsychotics
- 3. Household cleaning products
- 4. Heart medicines
- 5. Pesticides
- 6. (tie) Bites and stings

Fumes/gases/vapors

7. (tie) Alcohols

Antihistamines

Cold and cough medicines

Cosmetics and personal care products

Stimulants and street drugs

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