

2011 Statistical Report Allegany County, MD

County accounted for 1.8% of human exposure calls to the Maryland Poison Center

Types of Calls

Total human exposures	640	Animal Exposures	26
< 12 months	31		
1 year	80	Information Calls	430
2 years	90		
3 years	47		
4 years	28		
5 years	9		
6-12 years	34		
13-19 years	36		
20-59 years	230		
>60 years	50		
Unknown child	1		
Unknown adult	4		

Reason for exposure

Management Site

Unintentional	473	On site/non Healthcare Facility 422
General	288	Healthcare Facility 180
Environmental	4	Other 30
Occupational	9	Refused Referral 8
Therapeutic Error	109	
Misuse	52	
Bite or Sting	7	Medical Outcome
Food Poisoning	4	
Intentional	142	No Effect 190
Suspected Suicide	95	Minor Effect 381
Misuse	15	Moderate Effect 43
Abuse	23	Major Effect 1
Unknown	9	Death 1
Other	25	Other/Unknown 24
Contamination/Tampering	0	
Malicious	3	
Adverse Reaction/Drug	10	
Adverse Reaction/Other	6	
Other/Unknown	6	

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Most common exposures, children under 6 years:

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

Most common exposures, children 6-19 years:

- 1. Sleep medicines and antipsychotics
- 2. (tie) Analgesics (pain relievers)

Antidepressants

- 4. Cold and cough medicines
- 5. Antihistamines
- 6. (tie) Alcohol

Foreign bodies

Heart medicines

Stimulants and street drugs

10. (tie) Household cleaning products

Plants

Topical medicines (for the skin)

Most common exposures, adults 20 years and older:

- 1. Sleep medicines and antipsychotics
- 2. Antidepressants
- 3. Analgesics (pain relievers)
- 4. Heart medicines
- 5. Alcohols
- 6. Hormones (including antidiabetic and thyroid medicines)
- 7. Anticonvulsants
- 8. Household cleaning products
- 9. Stimulants and street drugs
- 10. (tie) Antihistamines

Cosmetics and personal care products

Food poisoning

GI medicines (for the stomach)

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