

2012 Statistical Report Frederick County, MD

County accounted for 5.3% of human exposure calls to the Maryland Poison Center

Types of Calls

Total human exposures	1826	Animal Exposures	99
< 12 months	87		
1 year	280	Information Calls	568
2 years	288		
3 years	150		
4 years	81		
5 years	55		
6-12 years	173		
13-19 years	143		
20-59 years	444		
>60 years	112		
Unknown age	13		

Reason for exposure

Unintentional 1516 General 968 Environmental 35 Occupational 15 Therapeutic Error 281 Misuse 175 Bite or Sting 18 Food Poisoning 23 Unknown 1 Intentional 245 Suspected Suicide 148 Misuse 37 Abuse 47 Unknown 13 Other 65 Contamination/Tampering 6 Malicious 5 31 Adverse Reaction/Drug Adverse Reaction/Other 11 Unknown 12

Management Site

On site/non Healthcare Facility Healthcare Facility Other Refused Referral	1328 413 66 19
Medical Outcome	
No Effect Minor Effect Moderate Effect Major Effect Death Other/Unknown	629 1047 78 3 0 69

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Most common exposures, children under 6 years:

- 1. Cosmetics and personal care products
- 2. Household cleaning products
- 3. Analgesics (pain relievers)
- 4. Foreign bodies
- 5. Vitamins
- 6. Antihistamines
- 7. Topical medicines (for the skin)
- 8. Plants
- 9. Pesticides
- 10. (tie) Electrolytes and minerals
 Gl medicines (for the stomach)

Most common exposures, children 6-19 years:

- 1. Analgesics (pain relievers)
- 2. Stimulants and street drugs
- 3. Antidepressants
- 4. (tie) Cold and cough medicines

Foreign bodies

Sleep medicines and antipsychotics

7. (tie) Antihistamines

Cosmetics and personal care products

- 9. Heart medicines
- 10. Hormones (including antidiabetic and thyroid medicines)

Most common exposures, adults 20 years and older:

- 1. Sleep medicines and antipsychotics
- 2. Analgesics (pain relievers)
- 3. Heart medicines
- 4. Antidepressants
- Alcohols
- 6. Household cleaning products
- 7. Anticonvulsants
- 8. (tie) Cosmetics and personal care products

Pesticides

10. Antihistamines