

2012 Statistical Report St. Mary's County, MD

County accounted for 2.5% of human exposure calls to the Maryland Poison Center

Types of Calls

Total human exposures	868	Animal Exposures	33
< 12 months	35	-	
1 year	125	Information Calls	392
2 years	105		
3 years	47		
4 years	34		
5 years	18		
6-12 years	50		
13-19 years	84		
20-59 years	297		
>60 years	66		
Unknown adult	7		

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Reason for exposure

Unintentional 631 349 General Environmental 5 Occupational 13 Therapeutic Error 151 Misuse 77 Bite or Sting 29 Food Poisoning 7 Unknown 0 Intentional 199 Suspected Suicide 114 Misuse 27 Abuse 44 Unknown 14 38 Other Contamination/tampering 2 2 Malicious Adverse Reaction/Drug 20 Adverse Reaction/Other 7

Unknown

Management Site

On site/non Healthcare Facility

528

Healthcare Facility Other/Unknown Refused Referral	302 31 7
Medical Outcome	
No Effect Minor Effect Moderate Effect Major Effect Death Other/Unknown	214 553 63 8 0 30

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Most common exposures, children under 6 years:

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

Most common exposures, children 6-19 years:

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

Sleep medicines and antipsychotics

- 6. Cosmetics and personal care products
- 7. Antimicrobials
- 8. (tie) Foreign bodies

Pesticides

Vitamins

Most common exposures, adults 20 years and older:

- 1. Analgesics
- 2. Sleep medicines and antipsychotics
- 3. Antidepressants
- 4. Alcohols
- 5. Heart medicines
- 6. Antihistamines
- 7. Bites and stings
- 8. Stimulants and street drugs
- 9. *(tie)* Household cleaning products
 Anticonvulsants

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