

2012 Statistical Report Washington County, MD

County accounted for 3.5% of human exposure calls to the Maryland Poison Center

Types of Calls

Total human exposures	1202	Animal Exposures	26
< 12 months	62		
1 year	166	Information Calls	434
2 years	174		
3 years	88		
4 years	64		
5 years	34		
6-12 years	96		
13-19 years	68		
20-59 years	335		
>60 years	105		
Unknown adult	10		

Reason for exposure

Unintentional 964 General 601 Environmental 15 Occupational 18 Therapeutic Error 203 Misuse 103 Bite or Sting 13 Food Poisoning 10 Unknown 1 Intentional 186 Suspected Suicide 125 Misuse 30 Abuse 21 Unknown 10 **52** Other Contamination/tampering 2 Malicious 5 Adverse Reaction/Drug 30 Adverse Reaction/Other 8 7 Other/Unknown

Management Site

On site/non Healthcare Facility Healthcare Facility Other/unknown Refused Referral	825 318 45 14
Medical Outcome	
No Effect Minor Effect Moderate Effect Major Effect Death Other/Unknown	380 705 62 10 1

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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. Antihistamines
- 7. Vitamins
- 8. Antimicrobials
- 9. Heart medicines
- 10. Deodorizers

Most common exposures, children 6-19 years:

- 1. Analgesics (pain relievers)
- 2. (tie) Antidepressants

Cold and cough medicines

Cosmetics and personal care products

Stimulants and street drugs

6. (tie) Antihistamines

Heart medicines

- 8. Sleep medicines and antipsychotics
- 9. *(tie)* Hormones (including antidiabetic and thyroid medicines) Plants

Most common exposures, adults 20 years and older:

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

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