

2018 Statistical Report Worcester County, MD

County accounted for 0.9% of human exposure calls to the Maryland Poison Center

Types of Calls

Total human exposures	293	Animal Exposures	11
< 12 months	10		
1 year	33	Information Calls	121
2 years	42		
3 years	24		
4 years	9		
5 years	3		
6-12 years	23		
13-19 years	16		
20-59 years	88		
>60 years	42		
Unknown age	3		

Reason for exposure

Unintentional 233 General 128 Environmental 4 Occupational 12 Therapeutic Error 52 Misuse 34 Bite or Sting 1 Food Poisoning 1 Unknown 1 Intentional 51 Suspected Suicide 20 Misuse 12 Abuse 18 Unknown 1 9 Other Malicious 0 Contamination/tampering 0 Adverse Reaction/Drug 7 Adverse Reaction/Other 2

Management Site

On site/non Healthcare Facility Healthcare Facility Other/Unknown Refused Referral	179 97 13 4
Medical Outcome	
No Effect Minor Effect Moderate Effect Major Effect Death Other/Unknown	69 180 20 6 0 18

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Most common exposures, children under 6 years:

- 1. Analgesics (pain relievers)
- 2. Cosmetics and personal care products
- 3. (tie) Antihistamines

Pesticides

4. *(tie)* Foreign bodies
Household cleaning products

Most common exposures, children 6-19 years:

- (tie) Analgesics (pain relievers)
 Cosmetics and personal care products
 Other miscellaneous non-drug substance
- 4. Food substance/additive
- 5. *(tie)* Arts, crafts, and office supplies Plants

Most common exposures, adults 20-59 years:

- 1. Analgesics (pain relievers)
- 2. Sedatives and antipsychotics
- 3. Household cleaning products
- 4. *(tie)* Antidepressants Heart medicines

Most common exposures, adults 60 years and older:

- 1. Heart medicines
- 2. Analgesics (pain relievers)
- 3. *(tie)* Hormones (including antidiabetic and thyroid medicines) Sedatives and antipsychotics
- 5. Several substances tied with two exposures each