

2019 Statistical Report Baltimore County, MD

County accounted for 16.2% of human exposure calls to the Maryland Poison Center

Types of Calls

Total human exposures	4691
< 12 months	192
1 year	523
2 years	451
3 years	222
4 years	119
5 years	96
6-12 years	363
13-19 years	411
20-59 years	1622
>60 years	617
Unknown age	75

Animal Exposures	213
Information Calls	1166

Reason for exposure

Unintentional	3316
General	1642
Environmental	103
Occupational	79
Therapeutic Error	775
Misuse	605
Bite or Sting	32
Food Poisoning	76
Unknown	4
Intentional	1140
Suspected Suicide	692
Misuse	188
Abuse	227
Unknown	33
Other	235
Contamination/Tampering	17
Malicious	22
Adverse Reaction/Drug	134
Adverse Reaction/Other	24
Other/Unknown	38

Management Site

On site/non Healthcare Facility	2861
Healthcare Facility	1549
Other	178
Refused Referral	91
Unknown	12

Medical Outcome

No Effect	762
Minor Effect	3158
Moderate Effect	397
Major Effect	148
Death	9
Other/Unknown	217

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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. Topical medicines (for the skin)

Most common exposures, children 6-12 years:

- 1. Cosmetics and personal care products
- 2. Foreign bodies
- 3. Antihistamines
- 4. Household cleaning products
- 5. Analgesics (pain relievers)

Most common exposures, children 13-19 years:

- 1. Analgesics (pain relievers)
- 2. Antidepressants
- 3. Stimulants and street drugs
- 4. Antihistamines
- 5. Sedatives and antipsychotics

Most common exposures, adults 20-59 years:

- 1. Analgesics (pain relievers)
- 2. Sedatives and antipsychotics
- 3. Antidepressants
- 4. Stimulants and street drugs
- 5. Alcohols

Most common exposures, adults 60 years and older:

- 1. Heart medicines
- 2. Analgesics (pain relievers)
- 3. Sedatives and antipsychotics
- 4. Hormones (including antidiabetic and thyroid medicines)
- 5. Antidepressants