

2019 Statistical Report Worcester County, MD

County accounted for 1.1% of human exposure calls to the Maryland Poison Center

Types of Calls

Total human exposures	324
< 12 months	14
1 year	51
2 years	42
3 years	21
4 years	8
5 years	7
6-12 years	21
13-19 years	24
20-59 years	91
>60 years	40
Unknown age	5

Animal Exposures 23 Information Calls 106

Reason for exposure

Unintentional	261
General	140
Environmental	4
Occupational	8
Therapeutic Error	58
Misuse	42
Bite or Sting	8
Food Poisoning	1
Intentional	53
Suspected Suicide	17
Misuse	11
Abuse	23
Unknown	2
Other	10
Malicious	0
Contamination/tampering	1
Adverse Reaction/Drug	5
Adverse Reaction/Other	3
Other/unknown	1

Management Site

On site/non Healthcare Facility	213
Healthcare Facility	94
Other/Unknown	11
Refused Referral	6

Medical Outcome

No Effect	62
Minor Effect	201
Moderate Effect	21
Major Effect	17
Death	3
Other/Unknown	20

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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 and toys
- 5. Dietary supplements

Most common exposures, children 6-19 years:

- 1. Analgesics (pain relievers)
- 2. Antidepressants
- 3. Household cleaning products
- 4. *(tie)* Dietary supplements Foreign bodies and toys Sedatives and antipsychotics

Most common exposures, adults 20-59 years:

- 1. Analgesics (pain relievers)
- 2. Household cleaning products
- 3. Stimulants and street drugs
- 4. Antidepressants
- 5. Alcohols

Most common exposures, adults 60 years and older:

- 1. Heart medicines
- 2. Analgesics (pain relievers)
- 3. Hormones (including antidiabetic and thyroid medicines)
- 4. Topical medicines (for the skin)
- 5. Several substances tied with two exposures each