

2007 Statistical Report Baltimore City, MD

County accounted for 15.6% of human exposure calls to the Maryland Poison Center

Types of Calls

Total human exposures	5541
< 12 months	281
1 year	870
2 years	739
3 years	333
4 years	137
5 years	99
6-12 years	292
13-19 years	411
Adult	2358
Unknown age	20

Animal Exposures	220
Information Calls	6886

Reason for exposure

Unintentional	3985
General	2750
Environmental	111
Occupational	91
Therapeutic Error	529
Misuse	385
Bite or Sting	52
Food Poisoning	59
Unknown	8
Intentional	1335
Suspected Suicide	1001
Misuse	166
Abuse	117
Unknown	51
Other	217
Contamination/Tampering	10
Malicious	24
Adverse Reaction/Drug	113
Adverse Reaction/Other	25
Unknown	45

Management Site

On site/non Healthcare Facility	3401
Healthcare Facility	2023
Other	45
Refused Referral	71

Medical Outcome

No Effect	1755
Minor Effect	3063
Moderate Effect	375
Major Effect	54
Death	9
Other/Unknown	279

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Most common exposures, children under 6 years:

- 1. Cosmetics and personal care products
- 2. Household cleaning products
- 3. Foreign bodies
- 4. Analgesics (pain relievers)
- 5. Pesticides
- 6. Topical medicines (for the skin)
- 7. Cold and cough medicines
- 8. Heart medicines
- 9. Vitamins
- 10. Alcohols

Most common exposures, children 6-19 years:

- 1. Analgesics (pain relievers)
- 2. Sleep medicines and antipsychotics
- 3. Foreign Bodies
- 4. Antidepressants
- 5. Household cleaning products
- 6. Stimulants and street drugs
- 7. Cold and cough medicines
- 8. Cosmetics and personal care products
- 9. Antihistamines
- 10. Anticonvulsants

Most common exposures, adults 20 years and older:

- 1. Analgesics (pain relievers)
- 2. Sleep medicines and antipsychotics
- 3. Antidepressants
- 4. Alcohols
- 5. Heart medicines
- 6. Household cleaning products
- 7. Anticonvulsants
- 8. Stimulants and street drugs
- 9. Cosmetics and personal care products
- 10. Antihistamines

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