

2008 Statistical Report Kent County, MD

County accounted for 0.7% of human exposure calls to the Maryland Poison Center

Types of Calls

Total human exposures	249	Animal Exposures	9
< 12 months	8		
1 year	37	Information Calls	75
2 years	44		
3 years	20		
4 years	14		
5 years	1		
6-12 years	17		
13-19 years	27		
Adult	81		

Reason for exposure

Unintentional 194 General 132 Environmental 2 2 Occupational Therapeutic Error 25 Misuse 26 Bite or Sting 3 Food Poisoning 2 Unknown 2 Intentional 47 Suspected Suicide 30 Misuse 11 5 Abuse 1 Unknown 8 Other Contamination/Tampering 1 Malicious 2 2 Adverse Reaction/Drug Adverse Reaction/Other 1 2 Unknown

Management Site

On site/non Healthcare Facility

178

Healthcare Facility	67
Other	3
Refused Referral	1
Medical Outcome	
No Effect	84
Minor Effect	145
Moderate Effect	14
Major Effect	1
Death	0
Other/Unknown	5

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Most common exposures, children under 6 years:

- 1. Cosmetics and personal care products
- 2. Analgesics (pain relievers)
- 3. (*tie*) Household cleaning products
 Topical medicines (for the skin)
- 5. Arts and crafts products
- 6. Foreign bodies
- 7. (tie) Alcohols

Antimicrobials

9. (*tie*) Cold and cough medicines Vitamins

Most common exposures, children 6-19 years:

- 1. Analgesics (pain relievers)
- 2. Stimulants/street drugs
- 3. (tie) Cold and cough medicines

Heart medicines

5. (tie) Antihistamines

Foreign bodies

Pesticides

Plants

Sleep medicines and antipsychotics

Most common exposures, adults 20 years and older:

- 1. Analgesics (pain relievers)
- 2. Sleep medicines and antipsychotics
- 3. Antidepressants
- 4. *(tie)* Cosmetics and personal care products Muscle relaxants
- 6. (tie) Alcohols

Household cleaning products

8. (tie) Heart medicines

Pesticides

10. (tie) Anticonvulsants

Cold and cough medicines

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