

2009 Statistical Report Baltimore County, MD

County accounted for 18.3% of human exposure calls to the Maryland Poison Center

Types of Calls

Total human exposures	6847
< 12 months	360
1 year	1113
2 years	1071
3 years	498
4 years	232
5 years	163
6-12 years	484
13-19 years	476
Adult	2433
Unknown age	17

Animal Exposures	456

Information Calls 6125

Reason for exposure

Unintentional	5603
General	3503
Environmental	123
Occupational	99
Therapeutic Error	955
Misuse	742
Bite or Sting	98
Food Poisoning	81
Unknown	2
Intentional	1003
Suspected Suicide	671
Misuse	183
Abuse	116
Unknown	33
Other	241
Contamination/Tampering	19
Malicious	19
Adverse Reaction/Drug	133
Adverse Reaction/Other	41
Unknown	29

Management Site

On site/non Healthcare Facility	5231 1424
Healthcare Facility Other	1424
Refused Referral	81
Unknown	4

Medical Outcome

No Effect	2304
Minor Effect	3980
Moderate Effect	277
Major Effect	25
Death	2
Other/Unknown	259

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Most common exposures, children under 6 years:

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

Most common exposures, children 6-19 years:

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

Most common exposures, adults 20 years and older:

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