

# 2009 Statistical Report Washington County, MD

County accounted for 3.3% of human exposure calls to the Maryland Poison Center

### **Types of Calls**

Total human exposures	1241	Animal Exposures	60
< 12 months	58		
1 year	189	Information Calls	590
2 years	227		
3 years	112		
4 years	43		
5 years	36		
6-12 years	81		
13-19 years	84		
Adult	407		
Unknown age	4		

# Reason for exposure

Unintentional	1026
General	694
Environmental	18
Occupational	10
Therapeutic Error	170
Misuse	111
Bite or Sting	13
Food Poisoning	8
Unknown	2
Intentional	181
Suspected Suicide	121
Misuse	34
Abuse	21
Unknown	5
Other	34
Contamination/tampering	1
Malicious	4
Adverse Reaction/Drug	19
Adverse Reaction/Other	1
Unknown	9

# **Management Site**

On site/non Healthcare Facility	938
Healthcare Facility	261
Other	31
Refused Referral	11
Medical Outcome	
No Effect	440
Minor Effect	699
Moderate Effect	61
Major Effect	6
Death	0
Other/Unknown	35

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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)
- 6. Antihistamines
- 7. *(tie)* Antimicrobials Vitamins
- 9. Arts and crafts products
- 10. (tie) Gastrointestinal medicines (for the stomach)
  Plants

#### Most common exposures, children 6-19 years:

- 1. Analgesics (pain relievers)
- 2. (tie) Cold and cough medicines

  Cosmetics and personal care products
- 4. (tie) Antihistamines

Sleep medicines and antipsychotics

6. (tie) Antidepressants

Arts and crafts products

- 8. Foreign bodies
- 9. *(tie)* Household cleaning products Stimulants and street drugs

## Most common exposures, adults 20 years and older:

- 1. Sleep medicines and antipsychotics
- 2. Analgesics (pain relievers)
- 3. Antidepressants
- 4. Heart medicines
- 5. Anticonvulsants
- 6. (tie) Antihistamines

Household cleaning products

- 8. Alcohols
- 9. Tobacco products
- 10. Cosmetics and personal care products

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