

2010 Statistical Report Dorchester County, MD

County accounted for 0.9% of human exposure calls to the Maryland Poison Center

Types of Calls

Total human exposures	319	Animal Exposures 12	<u>)</u>
< 12 months	15		
1 year	41	Information Calls 166	j
2 years	47		
3 years	21		
4 years	9		
5 years	11		
6-12 years	12		
13-19 years	22		
20-59 years	116		
>60 years	22		
Unknown age	3		

Reason for exposure

Unintentional	221
General	141
Environmental	1
Occupational	11
Therapeutic Error	31
Misuse	31
Bite or Sting	3
Food poisoning	2
Unknown	1
Intentional	84
Suspected Suicide	52
Misuse	15
Abuse	13
Unknown	4
Other	14
Contamination/tampering	3
Malicious	1
Adverse Reaction/Drug	6
Adverse Reaction/Other	1
Unknown	3

Management Site

On site/non Healthcare Facility	187
Healthcare Facility	129
Other	1
Refused Referral	2
Medical Outcome	
No Effect	87
Minor Effect	189
Moderate Effect	27
Major Effect	2
Death	0
Other/Unknown	14

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Most common exposures, children under 6 years:

- 1. Cosmetics and personal care products
- 2. Household cleaning products
- 3. (tie) Foreign bodies

Topical medicines (for the skin)

- 5. Analgesics (pain relievers)
- 6. (tie) Antihistamines

Deodorizers

8. (tie) Arts and crafts products

Pesticides

Most common exposures, children 6-19 years:

- 1. Antihistamines
- 2. (tie) Antidepressants

Antimicrobials

Sleep medicines and antipsychotics

- 5. Analgesics (pain relievers)
- 6. (tie) Anticonvulsants

Cold and cough medicines

8. (tie) Dietary supplements

Food poisoning

Fumes

Heart medicines

Stimulants and street drugs

Most common exposures, adults 20 years and older:

- 1. Sleep medicines and antipsychotics
- 2. Alcohols
- 3. Analgesics (pain relievers)
- 4. Heart medicines
- 5. Anticonvulsants
- 6. Antidepressants
- 7. Muscle relaxants
- 8. (tie) Antimicrobials

Cosmetics and personal care products

10. Stimulants and street drugs

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