

2014 Statistical Report Carroll County, MD

County accounted for 4.3% of human exposure calls to the Maryland Poison Center

Types of Calls

Total human exposures	1347	Animal Exposures	63
< 12 months	46		
1 year	184	Information Calls	291
2 years	155		
3 years	61		
4 years	47		
5 years	35		
6-12 years	92		
13-19 years	136		
20-59 years	451		
>60 years	133		
Unknown age	7		

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Reason for exposure

Unintentional 960 General 545 Environmental 13 Occupational 14 Therapeutic Error 229 Misuse 134 Bite or Sting 11 Food Poisoning 13 Unknown 1 Intentional 327 Suspected Suicide 209 Misuse 56 Abuse 49 Unknown 13 Other 60 Contamination/Tampering 6 Malicious 1 Adverse Reaction/Drug 36 Adverse Reaction/Other 12

Other/Unknown

Management Site

On site/non Healthcare Facility	827
Healthcare Facility	445
Other	64
Refused Referral	11
Medical Outcome	
No Effect	402
Minor Effect	783
Moderate Effect	103
Major Effect	11
Death	1
Other/Unknown	47

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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. *(tie)* Topical medicines (for the skin) Vitamins

Most common exposures, children 6-12 years:

- 1. Antihistamines
- 2. Plants
- 3. Cosmetics and personal care products
- 4. (tie) Analgesics (pain relievers)
 Arts, crafts, office supplies
 Stimulants and street drugs

Most common exposures, children 13-19 years:

- 1. Analgesics (pain relievers)
- 2. *(tie)* Cold and cough medicines Sedatives and antipsychotics
- 4. Stimulants and street drugs
- 5. Alcohols

Most common exposures, adults 20-59 years:

- 1. Sedatives and antipsychotics
- 2. Analgesics (pain relievers)
- 3. Alcohols
- 4. Heart medicines
- 5. Anticonvulsants

Most common exposures, adults 60 years and older:

- 1. Heart medicines
- 2. Sedatives and antipsychotics
- 3. Analgesics (pain relievers)
- 4. Hormones (including antidiabetic and thyroid medicines)
- 5. Cosmetics and personal care products

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