

2015 Statistical ReportAllegany County, MD

County accounted for 1.7% of human exposure calls to the Maryland Poison Center

Types of Calls

Total human exposures	522	Animal Exposures	23
< 12 months	21		
1 year	72	Information Calls	273
2 years	90		
3 years	27		
4 years	16		
5 years	12		
6-12 years	28		
13-19 years	28		
20-59 years	160		
>60 years	62		
Unknown age	6		

Reason for exposure

Unintentional 408 General 251 Environmental 5 Occupational 9 Therapeutic Error 98 Misuse 40 Bite or Sting 4 Food Poisoning 1 Intentional 102 Suspected Suicide 67 Misuse 12 Abuse 16 Unknown 7 12 Other Contamination/Tampering 0 1 Malicious Adverse Reaction/Drug 6 Adverse Reaction/Other 2 3 Other/Unknown

Management Site

On site/non Healthcare Facility Healthcare Facility Other Refused Referral	319 160 36 7		
Medical Outcome			
No Effect Minor Effect Moderate Effect Major Effect Death Other/Unknown	151 298 45 10 0 18		

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Most common exposures, children under 6 years:

- 1. Household cleaning products
- 2. Cosmetics and personal care products
- 3. Analgesics (pain relievers)
- 4. Foreign bodies
- 5. (tie) Dietary supplements

Topical medicines (for the skin)

Most common exposures, children 6-12 years:

1. (tie) Heart medicines

Foreign bodies

3. (tie) Antihistamines

Arts, crafts and office supplies

Chemicals

Cosmetics and personal care products

Hormones (including antidiabetic and thyroid medicines)

Pesticides

Sedatives and antipsychotics

Most common exposures, children 13-19 years:

1. (tie) Antidepressants

Household cleaning products

- 3. Analgesics (pain relievers)
- 4. (tie) Anticonvulsants

Bites and stings

Sedatives and antipsychotics

Stimulants and street drugs

Most common exposures, adults 20-59 years:

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

Most common exposures, adults 60 years and older:

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

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