

2015 Statistical Report Cecil County, MD

County accounted for 2.5% of human exposure calls to the Maryland Poison Center

Types of Calls

Total human exposures	770	Animal Exposures	30
< 12 months	28		
1 year	95	Information Calls	132
2 years	82		
3 years	40		
4 years	23		
5 years	15		
6-12 years	34		
13-19 years	69		
20-59 years	321		
>60 years	54		
Unknown age	9		

Reason for exposure

Unintentional 483 289 General Environmental 6 Occupational 11 Therapeutic Error 110 Misuse 56 Bite or Sting 4 Food Poisoning 6 Unknown 1 Intentional 254 Suspected Suicide 145 Misuse 32 Abuse 60 Unknown 17 33 Other Contamination/Tampering 2 1 Malicious Adverse Reaction/Drug 16 Adverse Reaction/Other 10 Other/Unknown 4

Management Site

On site/non Healthcare Facility

394

Healthcare Facility Other	356 12
Refused Referral	8
Medical Outcome	
No Effect Minor Effect	167 456
Moderate Effect	87
Major Effect	23
Death	1
Other/Unknown	36

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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. Antihistamines
- 5. Topical medicines (for the skin)

Most common exposures, children 6-12 years:

- 1. *(tie)* Antihistamines Foreign bodies
- 3. Cold and cough medicines
- 4. (tie) 7 substances w/2 exposures each

Most common exposures, children 13-19 years:

- 1. Analgesics (pain relievers)
- 2. Antidepressants
- 3. *(tie)* Anticonvulsants
 Sedatives and antipsychotics
- 5. Stimulants and street drugs

Most common exposures, adults 20-59 years:

- 1. Sedatives and antipsychotics
- 2. Analgesics (pain relievers)
- 3. Stimulants and street drugs
- 4. Antidepressants
- 5. Alcohols

Most common exposures, adults 60 years and older:

- 1. Heart medicines
- 2. (tie) Alcohols

Analgesics (pain relievers)

- 3. Pesticides
- 4. (tie) Antimicrobials

Hormones (including anti-diabetic and thyroid medicines) Household cleaning products

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