

# 2015 Statistical Report St. Mary's County, MD

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

# **Types of Calls**

Total human exposures	795	Animal Exposures	18
< 12 months	30		
1 year	85	Information Calls	187
2 years	106		
3 years	53		
4 years	23		
5 years	11		
6-12 years	53		
13-19 years	82		
20-59 years	285		
>60 years	64		
Unknown age	3		

# Reason for exposure

#### Unintentional 546 General 310 Environmental 11 Occupational 11 Therapeutic Error 127 Misuse 69 Bite or Sting 15 Food Poisoning 3 Intentional 211 Suspected Suicide 135 Misuse 22 Abuse 44 Unknown 10 38 Other Contamination/tampering 4 4 Malicious Adverse Reaction/Drug 19 Adverse Reaction/Other 5 Other/Unknown 6

# **Management Site**

On site/non Healthcare Facility Healthcare Facility Other Refused Referral	418 340 35 2
Medical Outcome	
No Effect Minor Effect Moderate Effect Major Effect Death Other/Unknown	207 468 72 14 3

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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. (tie) Pesticides

Topical medicines (for the skin)

### Most common exposures, children 6-12 years:

- 1. Cosmetics and personal care products
- 2. Cold and cough medicines
- 3. (tie) Foreign bodies

Household cleaning products

5. (tie) Analgesics (pain relievers)

Fire extinguishers

#### Most common exposures, children 13-19 years:

- 1. Analgesics (pain relievers)
- 2. Antidepressants
- 3. (tie) Antihistamines

Stimulants and street drugs

5. (tie) Cosmetics and personal care products

Household cleaning products

Sedatives and antipsychotics

# Most common exposures, adults 20-59 years:

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

#### Most common exposures, adults 60 years and older:

- 1. Heart medicines
- 2. Analgesics (pain relievers)
- 3. Antidepressants
- 4. *(tie)* Hormones (including antidiabetic and thyroid medicines) Sedatives and antipsychotics

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