

2017 Statistical Report Baltimore County, MD

County accounted for 17.4% of human exposure calls to the Maryland Poison Center

Types of Calls

Total human exposures	5605
< 12 months	265
1 year	732
2 years	682
3 years	255
4 years	166
5 years	108
6-12 years	403
13-19 years	459
20-59 years	1840
>60 years	633
Unknown age	62

Animal Exposures	210
Information Calls	1943

Reason for exposure

Unintentional General Environmental	4111 2231 92
Occupational	74
Therapeutic Error	913
Misuse	701
Bite or Sting	54
Food Poisoning	44
Unknown	2
Intentional	1243
Suspected Suicide	717
Misuse	179
Abuse	301
Unknown	46
Other	251
Contamination/Tampering	23
Malicious	16
Adverse Reaction/Drug	140
Adverse Reaction/Other	31
Other/Unknown	41

Management Site

On site/non Healthcare Facility Healthcare Facility	3669 1661
Other	178
Refused Referral	92
Unknown	5

Medical Outcome

No Effect	1443
Minor Effect	3391
Moderate Effect	384
Major Effect	118
Death	10
Other/Unknown	269

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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. Topical medicines (for the skin)

Most common exposures, children 6-12 years:

- 1. Analgesics (pain relievers)
- 2. *(tie)* Cosmetics and personal care products Foreign bodies Household cleaning products
- 5. Antihistamines

Most common exposures, children 13-19 years:

- 1. Analgesics (pain relievers)
- 2. Antidepressants
- 3. Sedatives and antipsychotics
- 4. Stimulants and street drugs
- (tie) Antihistamines
 Cold and cough medicines
 Cosmetics and personal care products

Most common exposures, adults 20-59 years:

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

Most common exposures, adults 60 years and older:

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

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