

2022 Statistical Report: Wicomico County, MD

County accounted for 2.2% of human exposure calls to the Maryland Poison Center

Types of Calls

Call Types	Number of Cases
Total human exposures	663
< 12 months	25
1 year	63
2 years	68
3 years	42
4 years	19
5 years	10
6-12 years	42
13-19 years	65
20-59 years	213
> 60 years	103
Unknown age	13
Animal Exposures	18
Information Calls	486

Reasons for Exposure

Exposure	Number of Cases
Unintentional	453
General	241
Environmental	9
Occupational	13
Therapeutic Error	128
Misuse	53
Bite or Sting	2
Food Poisoning	7
Unknown	0
Intentional	174
Suspected Suicide	130
Misuse	21
Abuse	20
Unknown	3
Other	36
Contamination/Tampering	0
Malicious	5
Adverse Reaction/Drug	22
Adverse Reaction/Other	1
Other/Unknown	8

Management Site

Location	Number of Cases
On site/non Healthcare Facility	373
Healthcare Facility	271
Other	11
Refused Referral	8

Medical Outcome

Outcome	Number of Cases
No Effect	150
Minor Effect	386
Moderate Effect	65
Major Effect	18
Death	0
Other/Unknown	44

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Most common exposures, children under 6 years:

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

Most common exposures, children 6-12 years:

1. (tie) Antihistamines; Heart medicines; Stimulants and street drugs
4. Arts, crafts, and office supplies
5. (tie) Dietary supplements; Household cleaning products

Most common exposures, children 13-19 years:

1. Analgesics (pain relievers)
2. Antidepressants
3. Sedatives and antipsychotics
4. (tie) Antihistamines; Household cleaning products

Most common exposures, adults 20-59 years:

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

Most common exposures, adults 60 years and older:

1. Heart medicines
2. Analgesics (pain relievers)
3. (tie) Anticonvulsants; Antidepressants
5. Hormones (including antidiabetic and thyroid medicines)