



2012 Statistical Report Worcester County, MD

County accounted for 1.0% of human exposure calls to the Maryland Poison Center

Types of Calls

Total human exposures	346	Animal Exposures	12
< 12 months	18	Information Calls	278
1 year	52		
2 years	51		
3 years	19		
4 years	13		
5 years	9		
6-12 years	19		
13-19 years	26		
20-59 years	96		
>60 years	37		
Unknown child	1		
Unknown adult	4		
Unknown age	1		

Reason for exposure

Unintentional	286
General	158
Environmental	10
Occupational	13
Therapeutic Error	54
Misuse	39
Bite or Sting	7
Food Poisoning	5
Intentional	47
Suspected Suicide	22
Misuse	8
Abuse	14
Unknown	3
Other	13
Malicious	0
Contamination/tampering	2
Adverse Reaction/Drug	7
Adverse Reaction/Other	4
Unknown	0

Management Site

On site/non Healthcare Facility	240
Healthcare Facility	93
Other/Unknown	10
Refused Referral	3

Medical Outcome

No Effect	97
Minor Effect	212
Moderate Effect	20
Major Effect	3
Death	0
Other/Unknown	14

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Most common exposures, children under 6 years:

1. Analgesics (pain relievers)
2. *(tie)* Cosmetics and personal care products
Foreign bodies
4. Heart medicines
5. Topical medicines (for the skin)
6. Antihistamines
7. *(tie)* GI medicines (for the stomach)
Pesticides
9. Hormones (including antidiabetic and thyroid medicines)
10. Household cleaning products

Most common exposures, children 6-19 years:

1. Household cleaning products
2. *(tie)* Analgesics (pain relievers)
Cold and cough medicines
Stimulants and street drugs
5. *(tie)* Alcohols
Antidepressants
7. Anticonvulsants

Most common exposures, adults 20 years and older:

1. Household cleaning products
2. Sleep medicines and antipsychotics
3. *(tie)* Analgesics (pain relievers)
Heart medicines
5. *(tie)* Antidepressants
Pesticides
7. Food products and food poisoning
8. *(tie)* Alcohols
Stimulants and street drugs