



2018 Statistical Report Baltimore County, MD

County accounted for 16.1% of human exposure calls to the Maryland Poison Center

Types of Calls

Total human exposures	4942	Animal Exposures	181
< 12 months	197	Information Calls	1381
1 year	553		
2 years	543		
3 years	246		
4 years	147		
5 years	90		
6-12 years	398		
13-19 years	441		
20-59 years	1653		
>60 years	610		
Unknown age	64		

Reason for exposure

Unintentional	3582
General	1808
Environmental	94
Occupational	90
Therapeutic Error	874
Misuse	628
Bite or Sting	29
Food Poisoning	56
Unknown	3
Intentional	1135
Suspected Suicide	653
Misuse	170
Abuse	279
Unknown	33
Other	225
Contamination/Tampering	18
Malicious	15
Adverse Reaction/Drug	126
Adverse Reaction/Other	27
Other/Unknown	39

Management Site

On site/non Healthcare Facility	3098
Healthcare Facility	1560
Other	204
Refused Referral	73
Unknown	7

Medical Outcome

No Effect	1075
Minor Effect	3147
Moderate Effect	372
Major Effect	118
Death	18
Other/Unknown	212

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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. Vitamins

Most common exposures, children 6-12 years:

1. Cosmetics and personal care products
2. Foreign bodies
3. Antihistamines
4. Arts, crafts and office supplies
5. Analgesics (pain relievers)

Most common exposures, children 13-19 years:

1. Analgesics (pain relievers)
2. Antidepressants
3. Sedatives and antipsychotics
4. Stimulants and street drugs
5. Cold and cough medicines

Most common exposures, adults 20-59 years:

1. Analgesics (pain relievers)
2. Sedatives and antipsychotics
3. Antidepressants
4. Stimulants and street drugs
5. Household cleaning products

Most common exposures, adults 60 years and older:

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