



In February 2008, Georgia Poison Center's poison specialists handled 8,914 calls. Of which 6,549 calls were related to human exposure, 575 calls were related to animal exposures and 1,790 calls were related to general poison information.

The specialized staff at the Georgia Poison Center was able to effectively triage 82% of calls that were received from the general public at the site of exposure without referral to a health care facility by providing simple first aid instructions over the phone.

About 45% of calls received involved children under the age of 3 years.

The Georgia Poison Center provides vital poisoning information as well as toxicology consultations to healthcare professionals. This month, the GPC, received 1,022 calls from health care professionals, making up about 14% of the calls received involving poison exposures.

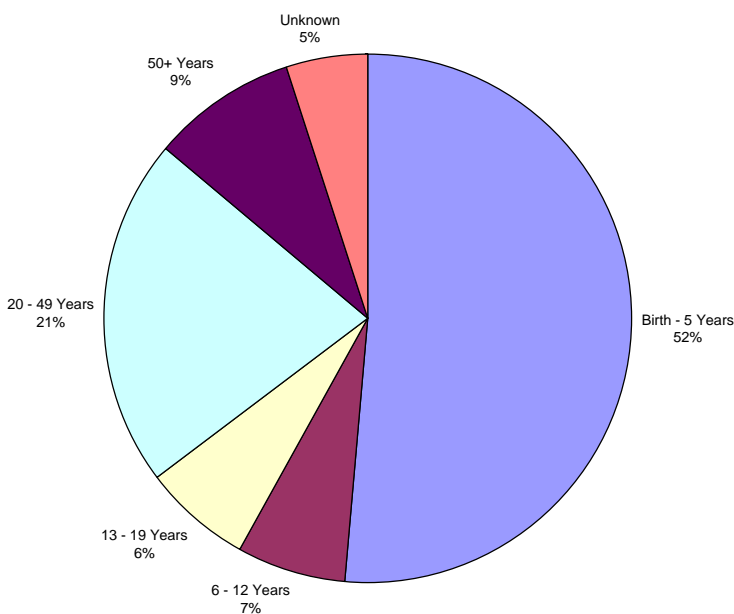
### Top 10 Substances Involved in Human Exposures (Birth – 50<sup>+</sup>)

1. Analgesics
2. Cleaning substances (household)
3. Cosmetics/personal care products
4. Cold and cough preparations
5. Sedative/hypnotics/antipsychotics
6. Foreign bodies/toys/miscellaneous
7. Topical preparations
8. Antihistamines
9. Cardiovascular drugs
10. Antidepressants

### Top 10 Substances Involved in Pediatric Exposures (Birth – 6 Years)

1. Cosmetics/personal care products
2. Analgesics
3. Cleaning substances (household)
4. Topical preparations
5. Cold and cough preparations
6. Foreign bodies/toys/miscellaneous
7. Vitamins
8. Antimicrobials
9. Antihistamines
10. Gastrointestinal preparations

### Age Distribution of Human Exposures



### Call Origin Distribution

