



In March 2008, the Georgia Poison Center received 9,198 calls. Of which 6,812 calls were related to human exposures, 610 calls were related to animal exposures and 1,776 calls were related to general poison information.

The specialized staff at the Georgia Poison Center was able to effectively triage 99% 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 51% 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 1,110 calls from health care professionals, making up about 15% of the calls received involving poison exposures.

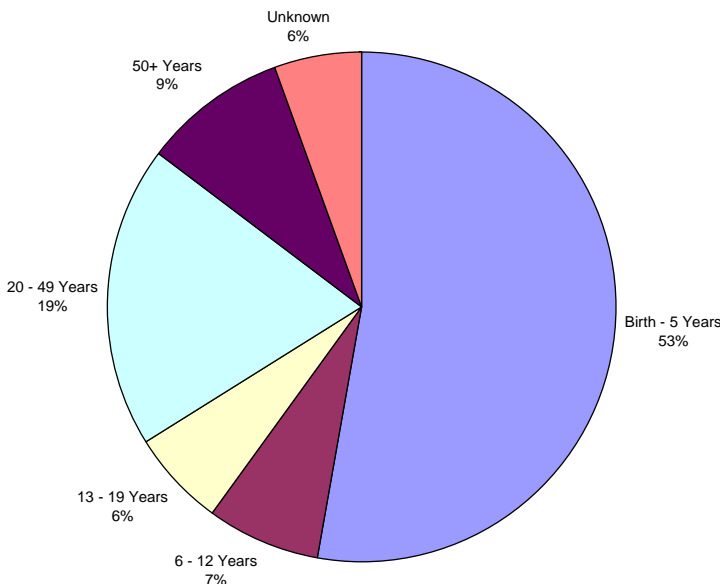
Top 10 Substances Involved in Human Exposures (Birth – 50⁺)

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

Age Distribution of Human Exposures



Call Origin Distribution

