



Georgia Poison Center Monthly Call Summary February 2009

In February, the Georgia Poison Center handled 8605 calls, of which 6347 calls were related to human exposures, 533 calls related to animal exposures and 1,725 calls were related to general poison information.

The specialized staff at the Georgia Poison Center was able to effectively triage 84% 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.

Top 10 Substances Involved in All Pediatric Exposures (Birth - 6 Years)

- Cosmetics/personal care products
- Analgesics
- Cleaning substances (household)
- Foreign bodies/toys/miscellaneous
- Topical preparations
- Cold and cough preparations
- Vitamins
- Antihistamines
- Antimicrobials
- Gastrointestinal preparations

Top 10 Substances Involved in All Human Exposures

- Analgesics
- Cleaning substances (household)
- Cosmetics/personal care products
- Sedative/hypnotics/antipsychotics
- Cold and cough preparations
- Foreign bodies/toys/miscellaneous
- Cardiovascular drugs
- Topical preparations
- Antidepressants
- Antihistamines

