

Georgia Poison Center Monthly Call Summary May 2009

In May, the Georgia Poison Center handled 10,034 calls, of which 7429 calls were related to human exposures, 687 calls related to animal exposures and 1,918 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.

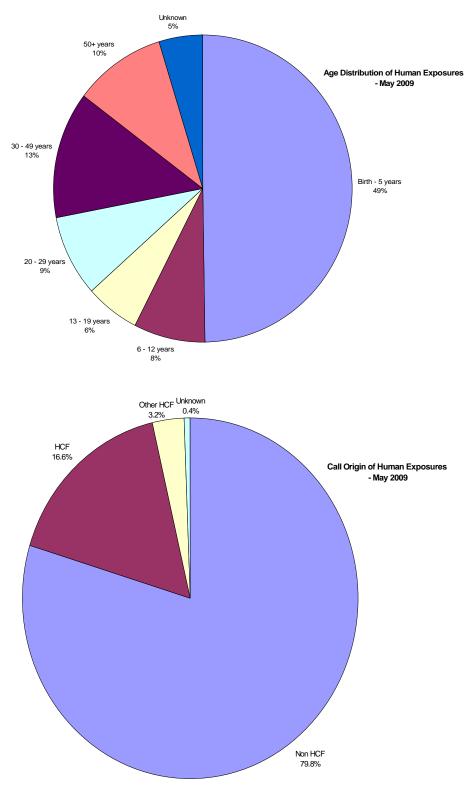
> Top 10 Substances Involved in All Pediatric Exposures (Birth – 6 Years)

Cosmetics/personal care products Cleaning substances (household) Analgesics Foreign bodies/toys/miscellaneous Topical preparations Antihistamines Vitamins Pesticides Antimicrobials Plants

Top 10 Substances Involved in All Human Exposures

Analgesics

Bites and envenomations Sedative/hypnotics/antipsychotics Cleaning substances (household) Cardiovascular drugs Antidepressants Pesticides Alcohols Food products/food poisoning Antihistamines



HCF denotes Health Care Facility