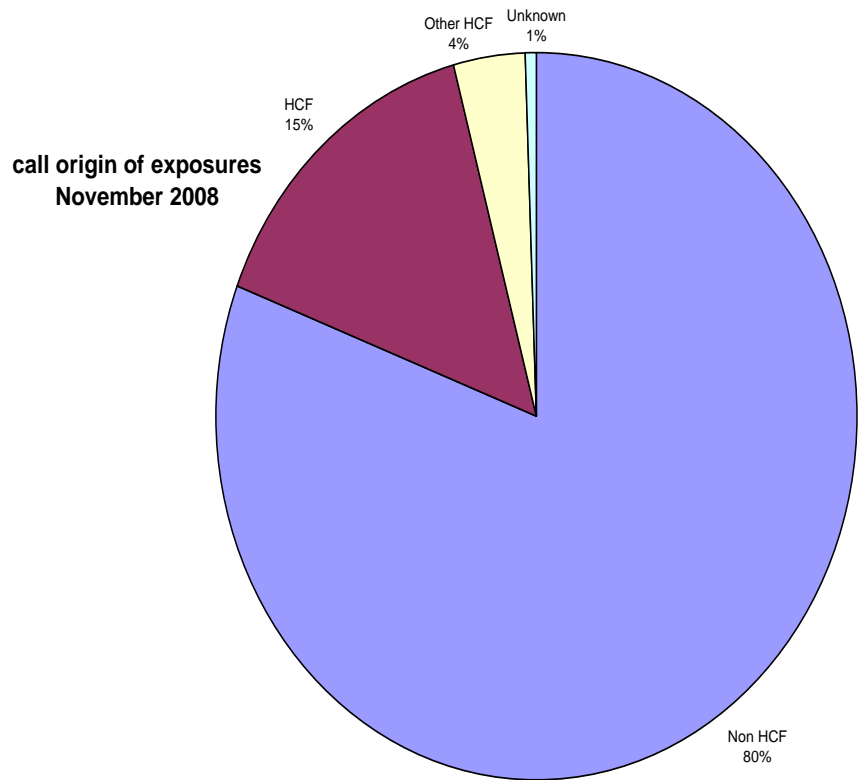




Georgia Poison Center Monthly Call Summary November 2008

In November the Georgia Poison Center handled 8,987 calls, of which 6,723 calls were related to human exposures, 691 calls related to animal exposures and 1,573 calls were related to general poison information.

The specialized staff at the Georgia Poison Center was able to effectively triage 81% 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)

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

Top 10 Substances Involved in All Human Exposures

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

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