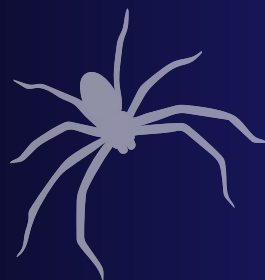
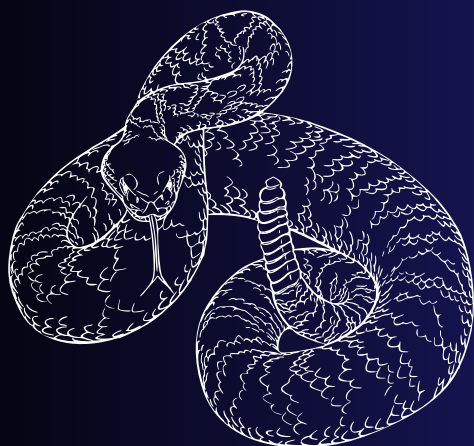


TENNESSEE POISON CENTER



2025 Annual Report



Here for when the unexpected happens.



Total Calls: **53,805**

Follow Up Calls: 38,633

- THE TENNESSEE POISON CENTER IS THE ONLY POISON CENTER FOR THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, SERVING 7.13 MILLION RESIDENTS IN 95 COUNTIES.
- THE POISON HELP HOTLINE (1-800-222-1222) IS AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC FREE OF CHARGE 24/7/365 DAYS A YEAR.
- A PERSON OF ANY AGE CAN HAVE A POISON EXPOSURE TO A TOXIC SUBSTANCE.
- ANYTHING IS POISONOUS IF CONSUMED IN THE WRONG WAY, BY THE WRONG PERSON, IN THE WRONG AMOUNT, OR THROUGH AN ENVENOMATION (BITE OR STING) EXPOSURE.

PROTECTING THE PUBLIC'S HEALTH

The Tennessee Poison Center partners with the Tennessee Department of Health and County Health Departments to monitor public health events and possible viral, chemical, and biological threats. In the event of a national or public health emergency, the Tennessee Poison Center maintains the surge capacity to handle large call volumes. Data from calls is collected and used to identify possible health risks and events.

PREVENTING PEDIATRIC POISON EXPOSURES

In 2025, calls for poison exposures in children 5 and under accounted for about 45% of the total calls for the year. We are dedicated to preventing these exposures and lowering the risk for significant hospitalization and death in these cases. Our robust outreach education program focuses on education of new parents, grandparents, and caregivers.

PROVIDING QUICK AND EFFICIENT MEDICAL ADVICE

The hotline is maintained by poison help experts that are a highly educated team of medical professionals with a national certification to provide the best advice in a poison emergency. Our annual survey showed that 85% of callers would have called 911 or gone to an emergency department if the poison center did not exist. An estimated 35% of those callers were uninsured or underinsured.

SAVING LIVES AND TAX PAYER DOLLARS

This year, the Tennessee Poison Center saved an estimated **44.6 million** in taxpayer dollars. Tennesseans can now use those essential dollars saved for food, shelter, transportation, clothing, education, and other necessities for their families and communities. The Tennessee Poison Center serves Tennesseans in times of need whether it is a child who unintentionally took a medication to those suffering from a mass chemical exposure.

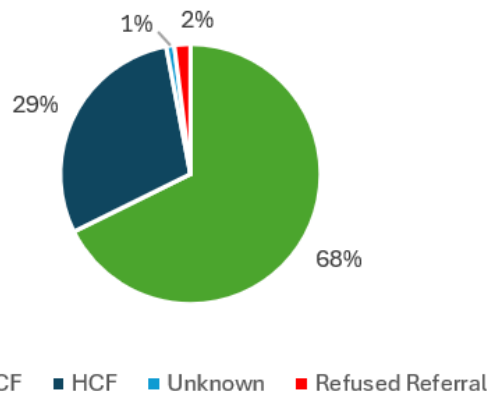


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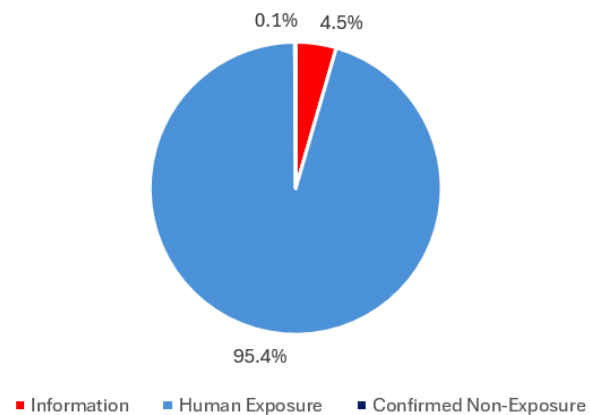
POISON EXPOSURE CASE STATISTICS

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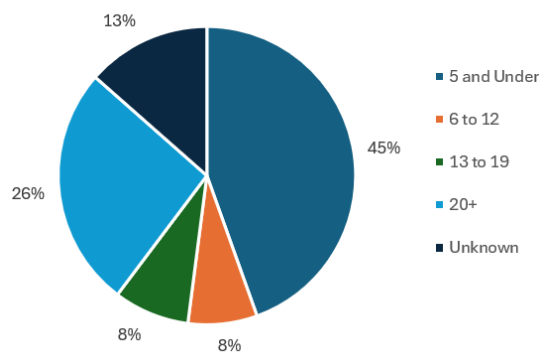
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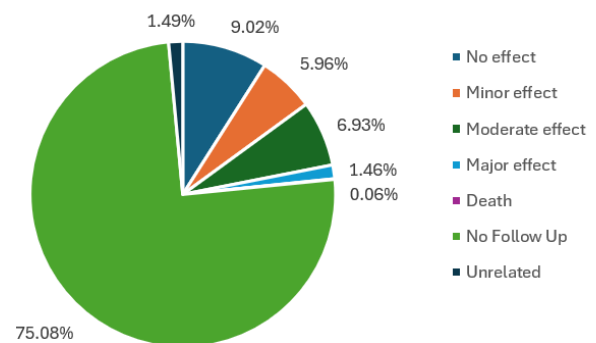
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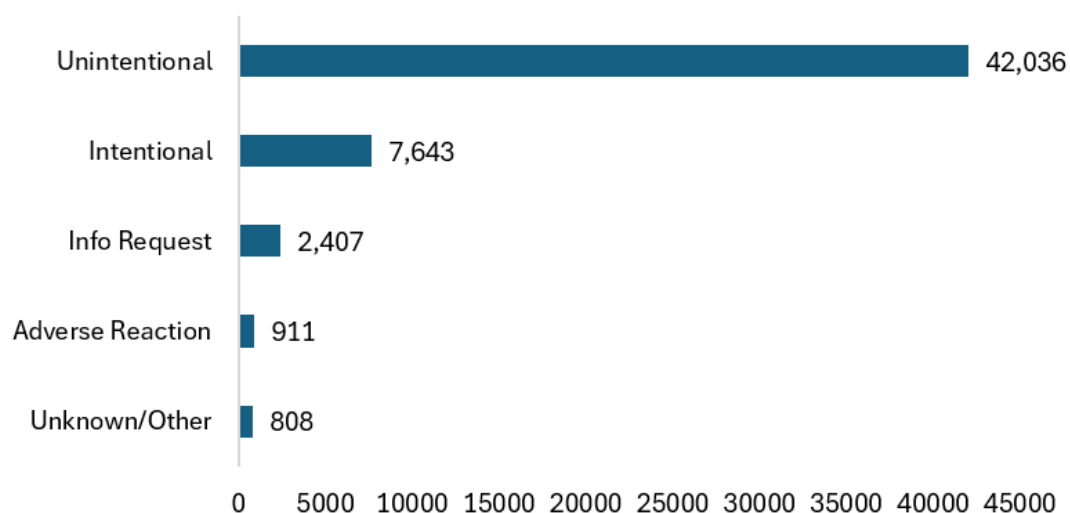
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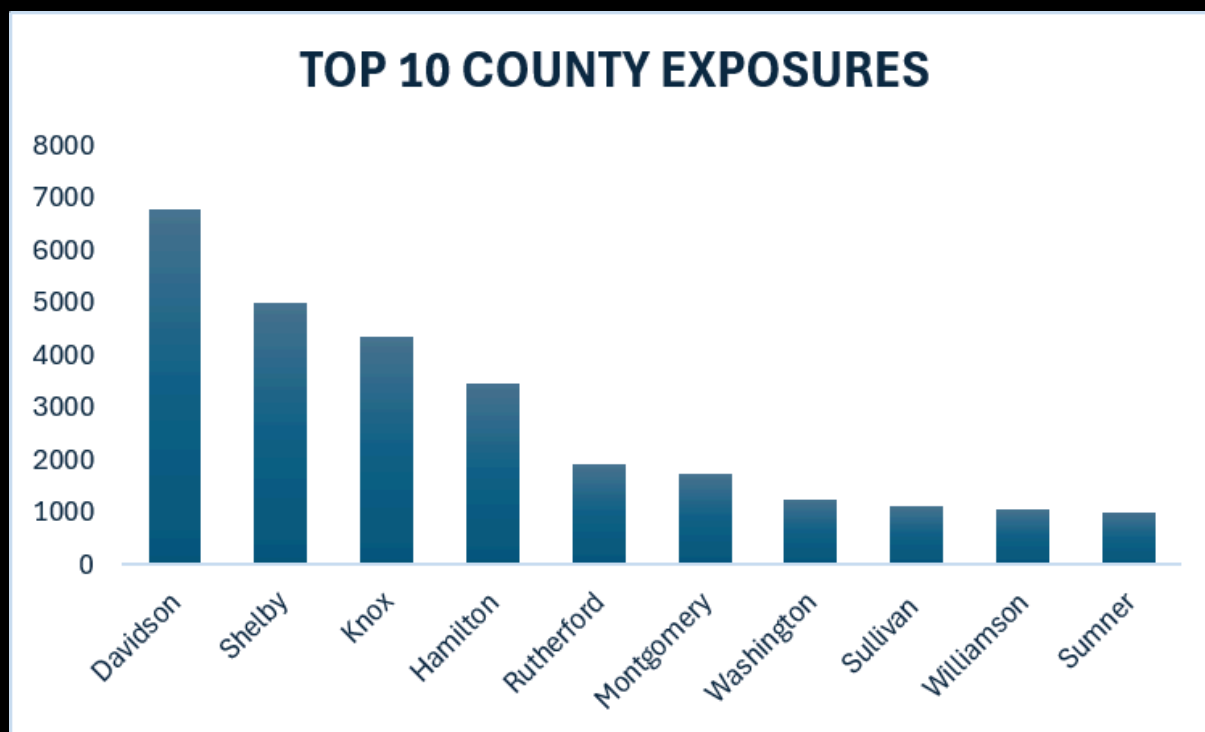
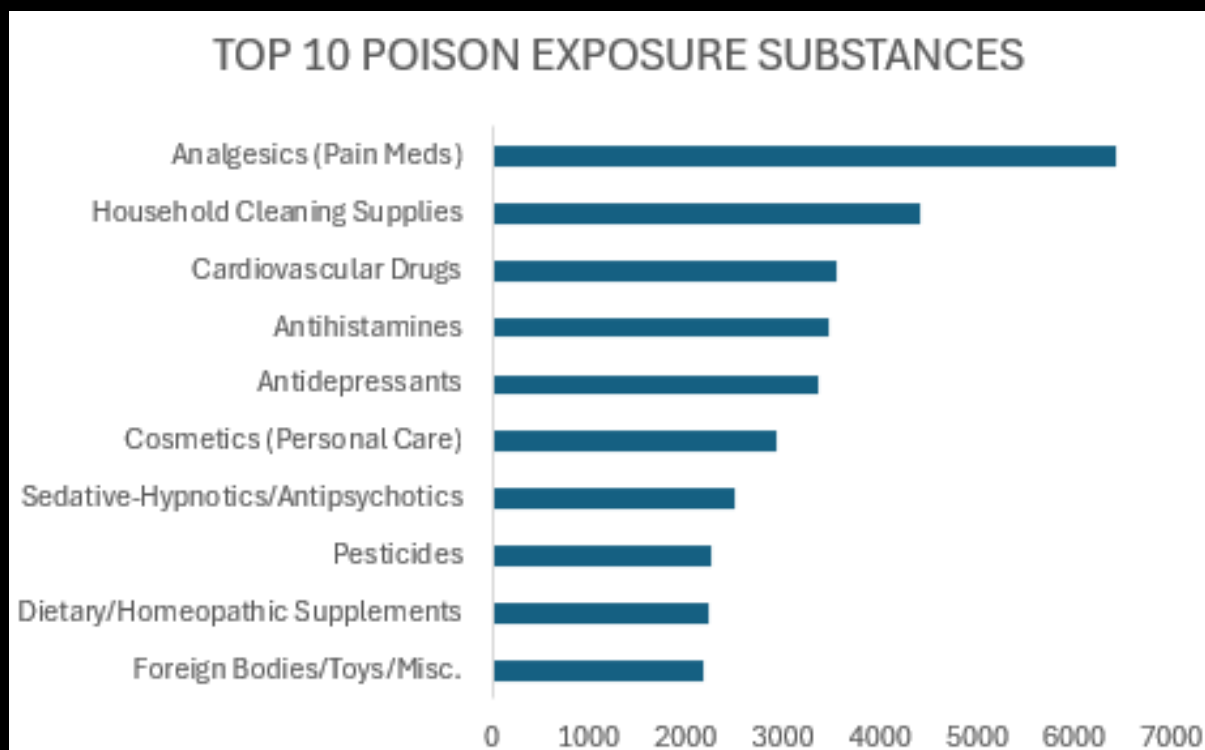


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2025 TRENDS

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COUNTY CALLS + FOLLOW UP CALLS

The Poison Help Hotline (1-800-222-1222) is staffed by medical professionals. The estimated numbers below indicate both calls initiated to the hotline and follow ups for more complex cases.

ANDERSON **665**
BEDFORD **665**
BENTON **230**
BLEDSOE **106**
BLOUNT **1,313**
BRADLEY **1,434**
CAMPBELL **452**
CANNON **121**
CARROLL **281**
CARTER **455**
CHEATHAM **248**
CHESTER **83**
CLAIBORNE **275**
CLAY **50**
COCKE **312**
COFFEE **1051**
CROCKETT **55**
CUMBERLAND **689**
DAVIDSON **11,920**
DECATUR **94**
DEKALB **296**
DICKSON **1,017**
DYER **621**
FAYETTE **140**
FENTRESS **174**
FRANKLIN **560**
GIBSON **487**
GILES **316**
GRAINGER **115**
GREENE **750**
GRUNDY **116**
HAMBLÉN **733**
HAMILTON **6,024**

HANCOCK **100**
HARDEMAN **236**
HARDIN **326**
HAWKINS **404**
HAYWOOD **104**
HENDERSON **372**
HENRY **460**
HICKMAN **246**
HOUSTON **65**
HUMPHREYS **197**
JACKSON **122**
JEFFERSON **953**
JOHNSON **145**
KNOX **7,086**
LAKE **31**
LAUDERDALE **217**
LAWRENCE **608**
LEWIS **80**
LINCOLN **377**
LOUDON **332**
MACON **251**
MADISON **1,859**
MARION **328**
MARSHALL **370**
MAURY **1,538**
MCMINN **684**
MCNAIRY **114**
MEIGS **74**
MONROE **570**
MONTGOMERY **2,997**
MOORE **24**
MORGAN **162**
OBION **341**

OVERTON **272**
PERRY **54**
PICKETT **36**
POLK **79**
PUTNAM **1,260**
RHEA **434**
ROANE **436**
ROBERTSON **672**
RUTHERFORD **3,310**
SCOTT **253**
SEQUATCHIE **145**
SEVIER **775**
SHELBY **9,767**
SMITH **232**
STEWART **106**
SULLIVAN **2,290**
SUMNER **1,770**
TIPTON **560**
TROUSDALE **95**
UNICOI **56**
UNION **116**
VAN BUREN **36**
WARREN **621**
WASHINGTON **2,379**
WAYNE **165**
WEAKLEY **407**
WHITE **409**
WILLIAMSON **1,807**
WILSON **1,535**
UNKNOWN **6,944**

HOSPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS

THE TENNESSEE POISON CENTER IS FUNDED THROUGH A COMBINATION OF FEDERAL, STATE, AND PRIVATE SOURCES WITH THE SUPPORT OF ITS HOST INSTITUTION, VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER. THE FOLLOWING HOSPITALS AND MEDICAL CENTERS CONTRIBUTED TO THE PROGRAMS AT THE TPC:

COOKEVILLE REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER
EAST TENNESSEE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL
ERLANGER | BLEDSOE
ERLANGER | EAST
ERLANGER | NORTH
ERLANGER MEDICAL CENTER
ERLANGER CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL
ERLANGER | SEQUATCHIE VALLEY ER
HIGHPOINT HEALTH | RIVERVIEW REGIONAL
HIGHPOINT HEALTH | WINCHESTER
HIGHPOINT HEALTH | SUMNER
HIGHPOINT HEALTH | TROUSDALE
HOUSTON COUNTY COMMUNITY
LINCOLN MEDICAL CENTER
MARSHALL MEDICAL CENTER
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METHODIST | NORTH
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METHODIST | UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL
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SOUTHERN TN REGIONAL HEALTH | LAWRENCEBURG
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SOUTHERN TN REGIONAL HEALTH | PULASKI
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TRISTAR | NATCHEZ ER
TRISTAR | NORTHCREST
TRISTAR | PORTLAND ER
TRISTAR | SKYLINE
TRISTAR | SOUTHERN HILLS
TRISTAR | SPRING HILL ER
TRISTAR | STONECREST MEDICAL CENTER
TRISTAR | SUMMIT MEDICAL CENTER
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VANDERBILT | BEDFORD
VANDERBILT | WILSON COUNTY
VANDERBILT | TULLAHOMA-HARTON
WAYNE MEDICAL CENTER
WILLIAMSON MEDICAL CENTER

Our Mission:

The Tennessee Poison Center (TPC) is dedicated to the prevention of poison exposures in the home, workplace, and the environment. The Poison Center provides clinical advice to the public and healthcare community for the treatment of exposures to drugs, chemicals, biologicals, plants, or envenomations.

GRANTS AND DONATIONS

The individuals, foundations, and organizations that continue to support our mission to prevent poisonings are listed below. We cannot thank you enough for your support and are proud to partner with you this year to make a difference in saving lives.

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DR. PHIL KURZNER

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UNITED WAY OF FRANKLIN COUNTY

UNITED WAY OF GREATER NASHVILLE

UNITED WAY OF SUMNER COUNTY

UNITED WAY OF THE MID-SOUTH

UNITED WAY OF WILSON COUNTY AND UPPER CUMBERLAND

TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES,
HEALTH RESOURCES AND SERVICES ADMINISTRATION**



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- Vanderbilt University Medical Center- TPC
- Supporting United Way, Cumberland United Fund, and Community Foundation of Middle Tennessee

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