

Saving Lives with Answers...

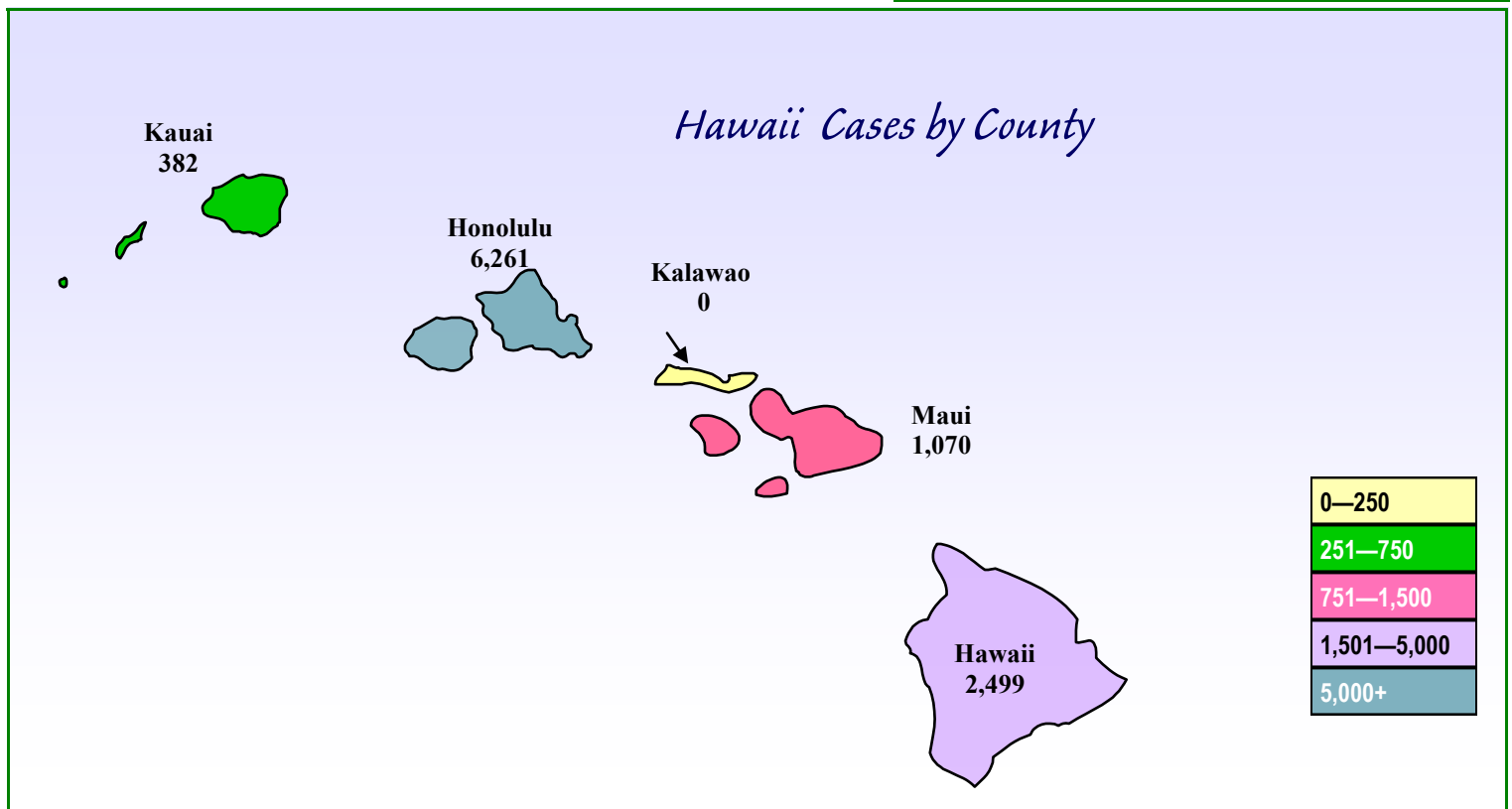
Why is the Hawaii Poison Center important?

An estimated **\$ 2.8 million** in healthcare costs were saved in Hawaii by utilizing the Hawaii Poison Center to treat poisoning cases at the site of exposure rather than in an emergency department or doctor's office.

- Poisoning is the second leading cause of unintentional death due to injury in the United States.
- For every dollar spent on poison center services, **\$13.39** is saved in medical expenses.
- The Hawaii Poison Center's staff provides emergency poison treatment information that may prevent an unnecessary hospital visit.

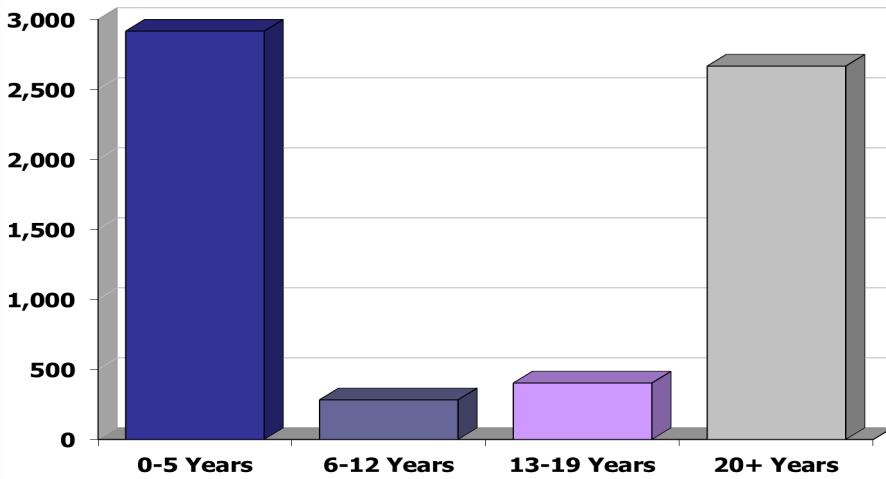
2013 Facts...

- The Hawaii Poison Center managed **10,421** cases through its 24-hour hotline.
- **46%** of exposed cases involved children under age 5.
- **65%** of poison exposure calls that came from the public were treated on site where the poisoning occurred saving the time and costs of an emergency department visit.
- **35%** of exposures were referred into a doctor or other healthcare facility for treatment.



Summary of Results—Hawaii 2013

Exposure Cases by Age Group



0-5 Years		All Age Groups	
Less than 1 year	434	0-5 years	2,916
1 year old	1,047	6-12 years	283
2 years old	743	13-19 years	403
3 years old	366	20+ years	2,666
4 years old	187	Unknown, Child	23
5 years old	137	Unknown Age/Other	113
Unknown, 0-5 years	2		
0-5 Years Total Cases	2,916	Total Cases	6,404

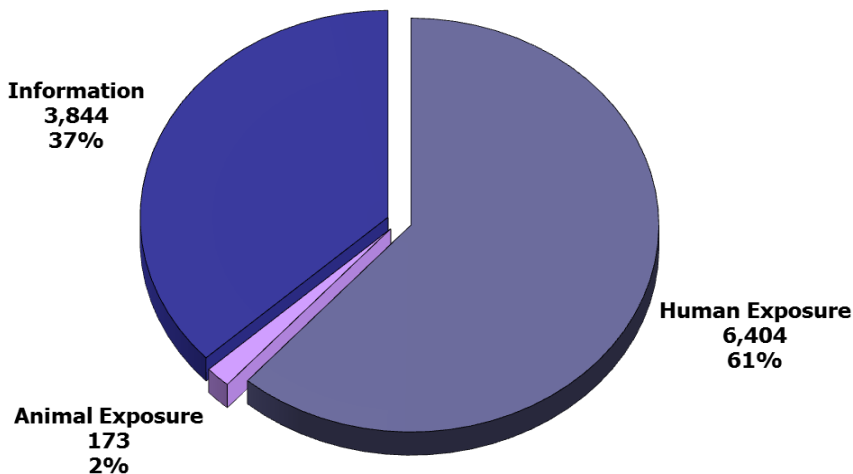
Top Ten Most Common Poison Categories for Human Exposures

1. Analgesics 1000
2. Cosmetics/Personal Care Prod. 458
3. Sedatives/Hypnotics 391
4. Household Cleaning Substances 376
5. Foreign Bodies, Toys 341
6. Cardiovascular Drugs 313
7. Pesticides 262
8. Antihistamines 253
9. Topical preparations 227
10. Alcohols 221

Top Ten Most Common Poison Categories for Children 0-5 Years

1. Cosmetics/Personal Care Prod. 356
2. Analgesics 291
3. Foreign Bodies (Toys, Misc.) 263
4. Household Cleaning Substances 183
5. Topical Preparations 157
6. Pesticides 139
7. Antihistamines 95
8. Vitamins 90
9. Hormones and hormone antagonists 89
10. Cardiovascular Drugs 88

Cases by Type—Hawaii 2013 10,421 Cases Managed by RMPDC Professionals



**Drug ID IVR included

Case Management Site for 6,404 Human Exposures

