

Montana 2013 Annual Report

Saving Lives with Answers...

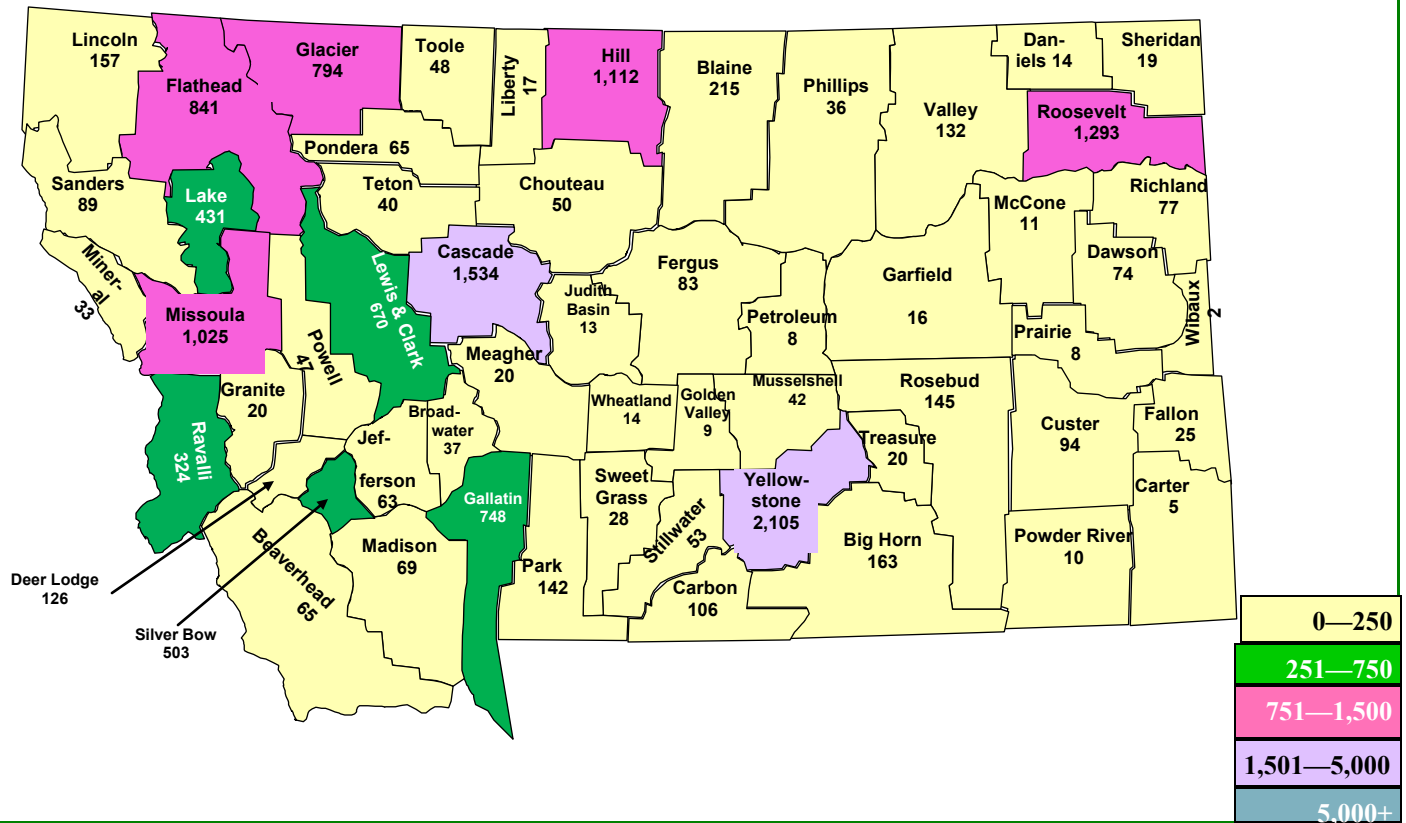
Why is the Montana Poison Center important?
An estimated **\$3.5 million** in healthcare costs were saved in Montana by utilizing the Montana Poison Center to treat poisoning cases at the site of exposure rather than in an emergency department or doctor's office.

- 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 Montana Poison Center staff provides emergency poison treatment information that may prevent an unnecessary hospital visit.

2013 Facts...

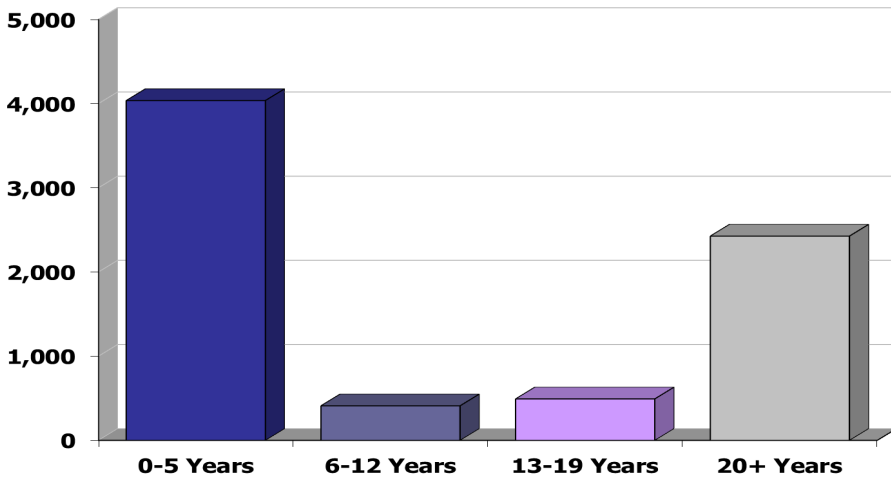
- The Montana Poison Center received **14,469** calls through its 24 hour hotline.
- **54%** of those calls involved children under age 5.
- **71%** of poison exposure calls that came from the public were treated on site where the poisoning occurred saving the time and costs of an emergency department visit.
- **29%** of exposures were referred into a doctor or other healthcare facility for treatment.

Montana Cases by County



Summary of Results—Montana 2013

Exposure Cases by Age Group



0-5 Years		All Age Groups	
Less than 1 year	422	0-5 years	4,036
1 year old	1,312	6-12 years	410
2 years old	1,359	13-19 years	492
3 years old	532	20+ years	2,426
4 years old	259	Unknown, Child	30
5 years old	147	Unknown Age/Other	101
Unknown, 0-5 years	5		
0-5 Years Total Cases	4,036	Total Cases	7,495

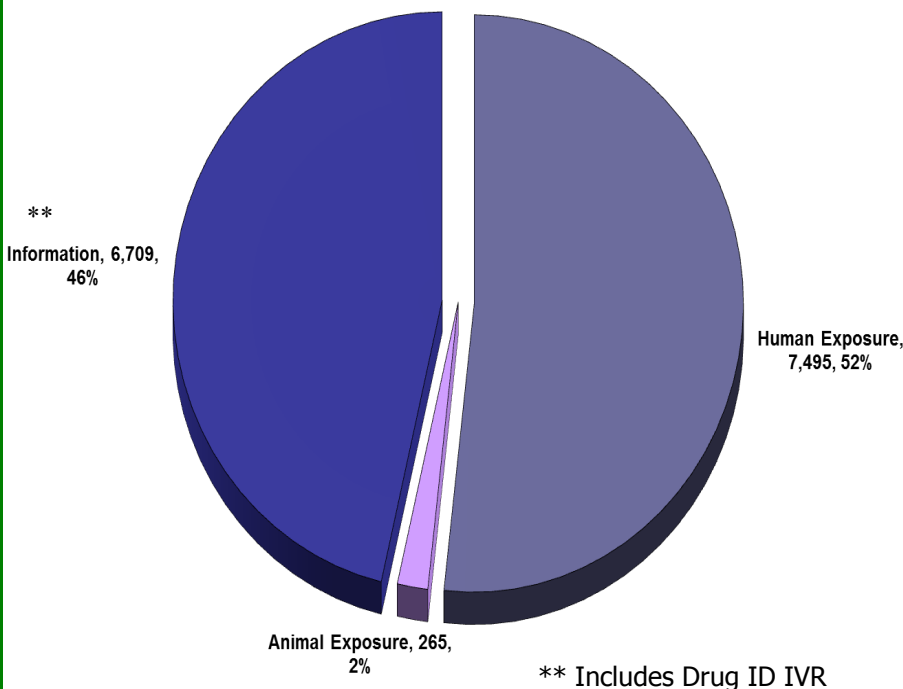
Top Ten Most Common Poison Categories for Human Exposures

1. Analgesics	1,074
2. Cosmetics/Personal Care Prod.	589
3. Household Cleaning Substances	502
4. Sedatives/Hypnotics	429
5. Cardiovascular Drugs	301
6. Topical Preparations	299
7. Foreign Bodies, (Toys, Misc.)	277
8. Antihistamines	271
9. Alcohols	263
10. Vitamins	188

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

1. Analgesics	477
2. Cosmetics/Personal Care Prod.	460
3. Household Cleaning Substances	312
4. Topical Preparations	240
5. Foreign Bodies (Toys, Misc.)	211
6. Vitamins	144
7. Antihistamines	132
8. Supplements (Herbal, homeopathic)	121
9. Plants	111
10. Gastrointestinal Preparations	104

Cases by Type—Montana 2013 14,469 Cases Managed by RMPDC Professionals



Case Management Site for 7,495 Human Exposures

