

Nevada Poison Center 2017 Annual Report 7/1/17 - 6/30/18

Nevada Poison Center
POISON
Help
1-800-222-1222

15,073 Human Exposures



3,768 Outbound Calls



4,553
Healthcare Facility
Cases

The NPC managed 8,794 cases where the poisoning occurred, saving the time & expense of an ED visit.

8,354 Exposures Age 19 and Under

The Nevada Poison Center managed 28,071 inbound calls through its 24 hour hotline!

7,556 Total Medication Exposures



18,512 Total Cases

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.

\$4,481,918
savings to Nevada

2,960
Analgesic
Exposures



Total Exposure to
Cleaning Products &
Cosmetic Items
1,721

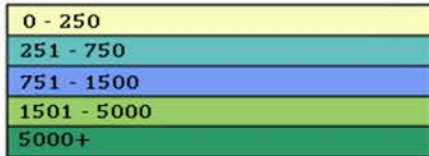
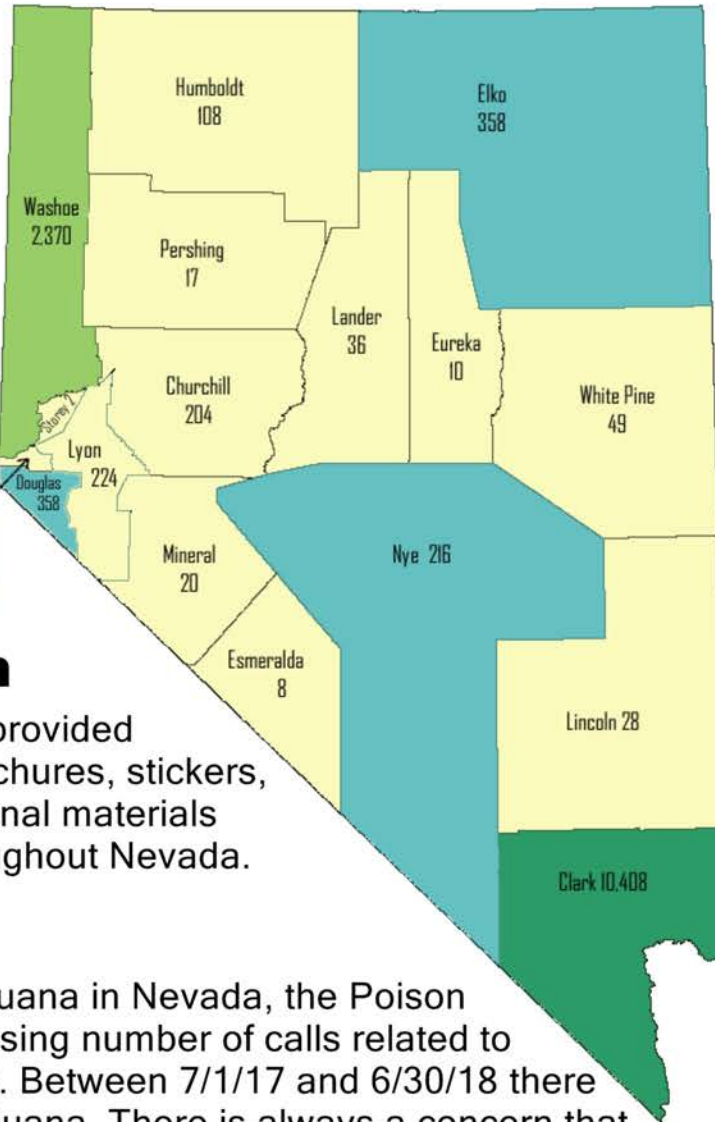


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Call by county to the NPC. These are not all the calls received by the NPC, as all calls with an area code for NV will be routed to the NPC. These are calls where the called identified a Nevada zip code as their call location.



Public Education

The Nevada Poison Center provided 2,806 poison prevention brochures, stickers, magnets, and other educational materials in English and Spanish throughout Nevada.

Marijuana

With the legalization of marijuana in Nevada, the Poison Center is receiving an increasing number of calls related to marijuana use and exposure. Between 7/1/17 and 6/30/18 there were 46 calls related to marijuana. There is always a concern that marijuana calls are not making to the poison center as the person does not consider themselves "poisoned."

Professional/Public Education

The Nevada Poison Center is able to provide on-site appearances for professional/public education on a limited capacity. If you are interested in having a presenter for your event, please call our Education line at 303-389-5506.

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Who calls the poison center? Anyone can experience a poison emergency. Poison centers take calls from the public and healthcare professionals, managing cases about people of all ages, and can provide help in 150 languages. Each year about half of exposure cases managed by poison centers involve children younger than six, but many of the more serious cases occur among adolescents and adults.