

WARNING!



Human foods can poison or injure your cat or dog. Here is a list of known dangers:

- Raisins and Grapes
- Onions and Garlic
- Macadamia Nuts
- Avocado (all parts)

Pear pips, the kernels of plums, peaches and apricots, apple core pips (contain cyanogenic glycosides resulting in cyanide poisoning)

Potato peelings and green looking potatoes

Rhubarb leaves

Mouldy/spoiled foods (keep garbage lid firmly on)

Alcohol

Yeast dough

Coffee grounds, beans & tea (caffeine)

Hops (used in home brewing)

Tomato leaves & stems (green parts)

Broccoli (in large amounts)

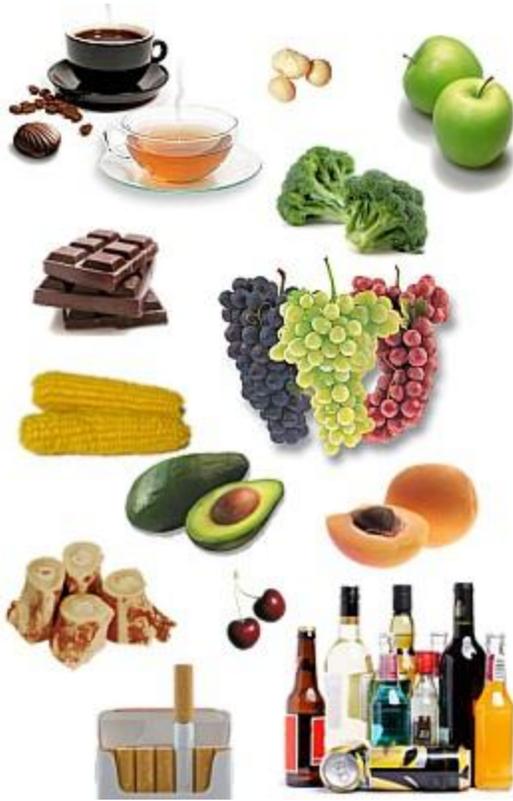
Cigarettes, tobacco, cigars

Xylitol (sweetener often found in sugar-free gum)

Cooked bones

Corn cobs

Chocolate



Never give your pet **human medications** without direct instruction from a veterinarian.

Poison Control Hotline FREE SERVICE

Kansas State University College of Veterinary Medicine

785 532 5679

Available 24 hours a day/may take a few minutes to page the veterinary toxicologist on call at that time.

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"Both known and unknown toxins can be found hiding in our houses and yards. In 2011, the ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center (APCC) in Urbana, IL, fielded more than 165,900 phone calls about pets exposed to poisonous substances. Visit our poison app on Facebook.

1. **Over-the-counter medications:**

These medications, including herbal and other natural supplements, attracted the most concern this year for the first time in the APCC's history, with more than 28,500 cases reported. This category is exceptionally large, encompassing nearly 7,000 products.

2. **Human prescription medications:** Prescribed human medications fell to the second spot on the list, representing nearly 16% of all cases. The types of medication to which animals were most often exposed correlate with the most popular medications prescribed to humans.

3. **Insecticides:** Insect poisons accounted for nearly 9% of the calls to APCC (more than 15,000 cases). If label directions are not followed, these products can be very dangerous to pets.

4. **Human foods:** Pets—especially dogs, who ingest human foods more often than cats—can get into serious trouble by ingesting onions, garlic, grapes, raisins, alcohol and xylitol. More than 14,600 APCC cases in 2015 involved human foods.

5. **Household items:** Products found around the home made up more than 14,000 cases in 2015. The most common items for this category include cleaning products, fire logs and paint.

6. **Veterinary medications:** Overdoses of medications prescribed by veterinarians represented more than 7% of total cases in 2015. Chewable medications are very appealing to pets, requiring extra caution.

7. **Chocolate:** Chocolate continues to be very problematic for pets, accounting for more than 7% of all APCC cases in 2015—averaging more than 30 cases a day. The darker the chocolate, the more dangerous it can be.

8. **Plants:** Indoor and outdoor plants represented nearly 5% of the calls to the APCC in 2015. Most of these calls involve cats and houseplants. Be sure to understand the toxicity of plants before putting them in or around your house.

9. **Rodenticides:** Rodent poisons can be just as toxic to pets as they are to the mice and rats these products are designed to kill. Last year, APCC handled more than 8,100 cases involving rodenticides.

10. **Lawn and garden products.** These products, including herbicides and fungicides, round out the top ten, accounting for 3% of all APCC calls. It's incredibly important to store lawn and garden products out of the reach of pets.

If you have any reason to suspect your pet has ingested something toxic, please contact your veterinarian or the **Animal Poison Control Center's 24-hour hotline at (888) 426-4435.**"

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