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Blood in the stool requires a prompt diagnosis. Identify possible common causes based on symptoms you’re experiencing.

**Abstract**

Find possible causes of blood in stool in adults. See our Symptom Checker.

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**ENTER IN FARCRY:**

**When to get medical help** (1; 2, p. 118)

Seek medical advice for any blood in stool. Seek emergency care if you notice:

Large amounts of blood

Lightheadedness

Rapid heart rate

Weakness

**Self-care strategies**

Because of the nature of this symptom, it's best to contact your health care provider. Please see the "Seek Care" section to determine an appropriate course of action.

**More Information**

Stool color: When to worry AN00772

**END OF FARCRY TEXT**

Find possible causes of blood in stool based on specific factors. Check one or more factors on this page that apply to your symptom.

**Blood appears**

In or on the stool

In toilet bowl or on toilet tissue

**Triggered or worsened by**

Drinking alcohol or caffeine

Eating certain foods

Straining during bowel movements

**Relieved by**

Drinking more water

Eating certain foods

Eating more fiber

**Accompanied by**

Abdominal pain or cramping

Anal itching

Change in your bowel habits

Constipation

Diarrhea

Fatigue or weakness

Fever

Frequent urge to have bowel movement

Narrow stools

Nausea or vomiting

Painful bowel movements

Rectal pain

Unintended weight loss

**Possible causes**

These diseases and conditions match at least one of the factors you selected. Those with the most matches are listed first.

DS00762 Anal fissure (2, p. 119; 3)

Blood appears in or on the stool

Blood appears in toilet bowl or on toilet tissue

Triggered or worsened by straining during bowel movements

Accompanied by painful bowel movements

DS00035 Colon cancer (4, 5)

Blood appears in or on the stool

Accompanied by abdominal pain or cramping

Accompanied by change in your bowel habits

Accompanied by constipation

Accompanied by diarrhea

Accompanied by fatigue or weakness

Accompanied by narrow stools

Accompanied by nausea or vomiting

Accompanied by painful bowel movements

Accompanied by unintended weight loss

DS00511 Colon polyps (6)

Blood appears in or on the stool

Blood appears in toilet bowl or on toilet tissue

Accompanied by abdominal pain or cramping

Accompanied by change in your bowel habits

Accompanied by constipation

Accompanied by diarrhea

Accompanied by narrow stools

DS00063 Constipation (7)

Relieved by drinking more water

Relieved by eating more fiber

Accompanied by abdominal pain or cramping

Accompanied by constipation

DS00104 Crohn's disease (8)

Blood appears in or on the stool

Blood appears in toilet bowl or on toilet tissue

Accompanied by abdominal pain or cramping

Accompanied by change in your bowel habits

Accompanied by diarrhea

Accompanied by fatigue or weakness

Accompanied by fever

Accompanied by unintended weight loss

DS00070 Diverticulitis (9)

Blood appears in toilet bowl or on toilet tissue

Accompanied by abdominal pain or cramping

Accompanied by change in your bowel habits

Accompanied by constipation

Accompanied by diarrhea

Accompanied by fever

Accompanied by nausea or vomiting

DS00488 Gastritis (10)

Blood appears in or on the stool

Triggered or worsened by drinking alcohol or caffeine

Accompanied by abdominal pain or cramping

Accompanied by nausea or vomiting

DS00096 Hemorrhoids (11)

Blood appears in toilet bowl or on toilet tissue

Triggered or worsened by straining during bowel movements

Accompanied by anal itching

Accompanied by rectal pain

DS00459 Intestinal ischemia (12)

Blood appears in or on the stool

Accompanied by abdominal pain or cramping

Accompanied by frequent urge to have bowel movement

Accompanied by nausea or vomiting

DS00242 Peptic ulcer (13)

Blood appears in or on the stool

Triggered or worsened by drinking alcohol or caffeine

Triggered or worsened by eating certain foods

Relieved by eating certain foods

Accompanied by abdominal pain or cramping

Accompanied by nausea or vomiting

DS00705 Proctitis (14)

Blood appears in toilet bowl or on toilet tissue

Accompanied by abdominal pain or cramping

Accompanied by diarrhea

Accompanied by frequent urge to have bowel movement

Accompanied by painful bowel movements

Accompanied by rectal pain

DS00598 Ulcerative colitis (15)

Blood appears in or on the stool

Blood appears in toilet bowl or on toilet tissue

Accompanied by abdominal pain or cramping

Accompanied by diarrhea

Accompanied by fatigue or weakness

Accompanied by fever

Accompanied by frequent urge to have bowel movement

Accompanied by rectal pain

Accompanied by unintended weight loss

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