

**TABLE 2C-18
MORTALITY RATES¹ FOR THE FIVE LEADING CAUSES OF DEATH AMONG YOUNG ADULTS
(20-44 YEARS) BY GENDER IN URBAN AND RURAL AREAS², ARIZONA, 1990-2000**

Age/Gender	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	% change from 1990
URBAN												
Male	217.0	216.2	232.0	233.5	273.2	282.0	244.0	222.8	223.1	206.5	201.4	-7.2
Female	80.8	78.5	79.2	91.6	97.9	102.8	96.0	91.6	97.6	92.3	90.3	11.8
TOTAL	149.8	148.3	156.6	163.7	187.2	194.0	170.9	158.1	161.4	150.6	147.8	-1.3
RURAL												
Male	283.1	312.7	334.7	283.0	329.6	367.4	348.1	307.5	293.6	263.1	306.1	8.1
Female	115.0	133.8	131.2	118.9	120.4	155.8	146.3	130.2	142.1	120.7	138.8	20.7
TOTAL	200.5	224.8	234.8	202.5	225.5	263.7	249.0	220.6	219.4	193.6	208.1	3.8
STATEWIDE												
Male	229.1	233.9	250.8	273.2	303.6	318.6	284.4	258.8	253.5	221.9	213.0	-7.0
Female	87.0	88.6	88.7	108.7	110.6	121.4	113.2	107.6	113.6	99.5	96.3	10.7
TOTAL	159.1	162.3	170.9	192.3	208.7	221.7	199.9	184.4	184.8	162.0	156.5	-1.6

¹ Rates are presented per 100,000 persons 20-44 years old.

² Prior to 1990, Maricopa and Pima Counties were delineated by the Office of Management and Budget as urbanized areas in Arizona. Beginning in 1990, Yuma county and in 1993 Pinal County met the criteria and were classified as urban. The remaining counties comprise Arizona's rural areas.