

**TABLE 2C-27
LEADING CAUSES OF DEATH AMONG ELDERLY 65 YEARS AND OVER BY GENDER, AREA AND RACE/ETHNICITY,
ARIZONA, 2000**

	TOTAL	Gender		Area			Race/Ethnicity					
		Male	Female	Urban	Rural	Un-known	White non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Black	American Indian	Asian	Other/Unknown
Diseases of heart	8,702	4,372	4,330	7,120	1,579	3	7,705	631	168	148	42	8
Malignant neoplasms	6,499	3,472	3,027	5,222	1,276	1	5,764	474	114	101	31	15
Colon, rectum and anus	687	345	342	560	126	1	621	51	8	5	2	0
Trachea, bronchus and lung	1,862	1,063	799	1,490	372	0	1,693	106	39	8	10	6
Breast	410	5	405	344	66	0	378	21	5	4	0	2
Lymphoid, hematopoietic and related tissue	624	315	309	513	111	0	564	42	7	6	3	2
Prostate	557	557	0	445	112	0	481	44	19	12	1	0
Cerebrovascular diseases	2,315	918	1,397	1,882	433	0	2,026	172	48	44	21	4
Chronic lower respiratory diseases	2,211	1,094	1,117	1,819	392	0	2,072	92	18	19	5	5
Alzheimer's disease	1,032	320	712	878	154	0	948	61	13	7	2	1
Influenza and pneumonia	1,027	479	548	821	206	0	883	92	14	34	4	0
Diabetes	716	314	402	562	154	0	491	133	26	58	7	1
Total accidents	652	328	324	508	144	0	558	48	10	33	2	1
Transport accidents	174	98	76	124	50	0	139	10	3	21	1	0
Motor vehicle accidents	147	82	65	100	47	0	113	9	3	21	1	0
Other land transport accidents	20	11	9	17	3	0	19	1	0	0	0	0
Nontransport accidents	478	230	248	384	94	0	419	38	7	12	1	1
Falls	305	147	158	254	51	0	273	26	3	2	1	0
Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis	507	247	260	388	119	0	398	74	15	18	1	1
Parkinson's disease	338	195	143	291	47	0	309	15	4	9	1	0
Septicemia	246	108	138	190	56	0	196	32	3	14	0	1
Total, all causes	29,323	14,107	15,216	23,753	5,564	6	25,772	2,193	528	634	154	42

NOTES: Causes of death in this table are based on the Tenth Revision of the International Classification of Disease (ICD-10). Leading causes are those with the greatest number of deaths statewide in 2000. Causes with less than 246 deaths are not listed separately, but they are included in the total for all causes. Maricopa, Pima, Pinal and Yuma counties comprise Arizona's urban areas. The remaining counties comprise Arizona's rural areas.