

**TABLE 2B-1
NUMBER OF DEATHS FOR THE LEADING CAUSES OF MORTALITY BY YEAR, ARIZONA, 1991-2001**

Rank in 2001	Cause of death	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
1	DISEASES OF HEART	8,619	9,185	9,955	9,851	10,104	9,995	10,002	10,276	10,355	10,430	10,312
2	MALIGNANT NEOPLASMS	7,109	7,331	7,648	7,951	7,993	8,327	8,429	8,503	8,851	8,994	8,914
3	CHRONIC LOWER RESPIRATORY DISEASES	1,672	1,666	1,936	1,856	2,037	2,140	2,355	2,395	2,499	2,493	2,463
4	ACCIDENTS (UNINTENTIONAL INJURY)	1,425	1,572	1,686	1,879	1,973	2,091	2,104	2,182	2,192	2,087	2,430
5	CEREBROVASCULAR DISEASES	1,775	1,802	2,035	2,127	2,191	2,340	2,445	2,414	2,320	2,603	2,416
6	ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE*	342	423	505	539	592	716	690	771	859	1,046	1,103
7	INFLUENZA AND PNEUMONIA*	818	754	888	832	823	896	895	1,040	1,204	1,201	1,100
8	DIABETES	573	653	645	767	810	898	946	1,006	1,046	993	1,040
9	CHRONIC LIVER DISEASE AND CIRRHOSIS	380	365	383	413	406	427	428	412	397	645	635
10	NEPHRITIS, NEPHROTIC SYNDROME AND NEPHROSIS*	379	464	446	413	368	402	408	460	516	605	622
11	INTENTIONAL SELF-HARM (SUICIDE)	658	660	755	816	858	762	810	845	773	737	600
12	ASSAULT (HOMICIDE)	334	351	387	477	530	459	443	447	430	394	467
13	SEPTICEMIA*	278	306	331	271	294	330	380	348	399	346	372
14	PARKINSON'S DISEASE	125	158	181	195	204	241	281	273	355	342	366
15	ESSENTIAL PRIMARY HYPERTENSION AND HYPERTENSIVE RENAL DISEASE	90	107	117	158	180	230	232	331	431	275	298
ALL CAUSES		29,173	30,814	33,295	34,282	35,428	36,579	37,151	38,395	39,673	40,202	40,851

Note: The cause-of-death titles are according to the Tenth Revision of the International Classification of Diseases (ICD-10). The causes of death for 2000 and 2001 are classified by ICD-10, replacing the Ninth Revision (ICD-9) used during 1979-1999. The group titles, such as Cardiovascular diseases, Infectious and parasitic diseases or Other cardiovascular diseases are not ranked to determine the leading causes of death. The cause of death was not available (missing) for 970 out-of-state deaths of Arizona residents in 2001. As a result, the numbers in the 2001 column above are likely to be underreported.

*Comparability-modified number of deaths by year from 1991 to 1999 is shown for the four causes of death for which the discontinuity in trend (resulting from implementation of ICD-10) is substantial. The comparability-modified data present the annual number of deaths for 1991-1999 that would have been classified as influenza and pneumonia, Alzheimer's disease, nephritis, or septicemia had the ICD-10 classification system and coding rules been in place. For the remaining causes of death, little or no change occurred in the number of deaths assigned using the different coding revisions. See **Technical Notes** for the measures of comparison between ICD-9 and ICD-10 --the "comparability ratios" -- for the causes of death shown in this report.