

**TABLE 2C-27
LEADING CAUSES OF DEATH AMONG ELDERLY 65 YEARS AND OVER BY GENDER, AREA AND RACE/ETHNICITY,
ARIZONA, 2001**

	TOTAL	Gender		Area			Race/Ethnicity					
		Male	Female	Urban	Rural	Un- known	White non- Hispanic	Hispanic	Black	American Indian	Asian	Other/ Unknown
Diseases of heart	8556	4224	4332	7050	1505	1	7556	654	150	141	41	14
Malignant neoplasms	6351	3345	3006	5066	1284	1	5610	483	106	86	53	13
Colon, rectum and anus	663	314	349	533	130	0	587	52	15	6	3	0
Trachea, bronchus and lung	1767	981	786	1401	365	1	1611	98	29	9	16	4
Breast	390	10	380	327	63	0	340	28	15	4	3	0
Lymphoid, hematopoietic and related tissue	673	385	288	549	124	0	595	55	10	6	4	3
Prostate	459	459	0	363	96	0	395	41	12	5	4	2
Cerebrovascular diseases	2148	849	1299	1746	402	0	1871	177	48	33	17	2
Chronic lower respiratory diseases	2141	1036	1105	1775	366	0	2020	65	24	22	8	2
Alzheimer's disease	1092	332	760	940	152	0	1009	49	15	12	5	2
Influenza and pneumonia	941	447	494	768	173	0	811	81	9	36	4	0
Diabetes	723	338	385	557	166	0	504	129	29	56	5	0
Total accidents	696	377	319	548	147	1	600	57	8	22	7	2
Transport accidents	151	93	58	110	40	1	120	16	2	11	2	0
Motor vehicle accidents	137	79	58	101	35	1	112	12	2	9	2	0
Nontransport accidents	545	284	261	438	107	0	480	41	6	11	5	2
Falls	375	186	189	318	57	0	334	26	5	6	3	1
Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis	493	275	218	387	105	1	385	76	12	17	3	0
Parkinson's disease	357	214	143	307	50	0	320	26	4	3	4	0
Septicemia	264	115	149	193	71	0	215	31	6	12	0	0
Total, all causes	29504	14182	15322	23758	5671	75	25904	2240	507	624	182	47

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 264 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.