

**TABLE 2C-27
LEADING CAUSES OF DEATH AMONG ELDERLY (65 YEARS AND OLDER) BY GENDER, AREA AND RACE/ETHNICITY,
ARIZONA, 2002**

	Total	Gender		Area			Race/Ethnicity					
		Male	Female	Urban	Rural	Unknown	White non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Black	American Indian	Asian	Other/Unknown
Diseases of heart	8,676	4,309	4,367	7,109	1,567	0	7,711	650	131	135	46	3
Malignant neoplasms	6,448	3,537	2,911	5,172	1,275	1	5,720	480	119	83	43	3
Colon, rectum, and anus	635	336	299	516	119	0	558	51	14	6	5	1
Trachea, bronchus and lung	1,883	1,031	852	1,508	375	0	1,737	92	36	10	8	0
Breast	367	6	361	286	81	0	333	22	7	2	2	1
Lymphoid, hematopoietic and related tissue	700	385	315	579	121	0	633	46	5	9	7	0
Prostate	509	509	NA	408	100	1	436	54	13	5	1	0
Cerebrovascular diseases	2,188	851	1,337	1,790	398	0	1,916	173	46	35	18	0
Chronic lower respiratory diseases	2,229	1,113	1,116	1,806	422	1	2,089	86	24	21	8	1
Alzheimer's disease	1,400	447	953	1,196	204	0	1,283	86	17	9	5	0
Influenza and pneumonia	1,100	474	626	893	207	0	953	84	16	42	5	0
Diabetes	876	423	453	704	172	0	638	143	24	64	7	0
Accidents (unintentional injury)	752	388	364	578	174	0	653	59	7	30	3	0
Motor vehicle accidents	167	97	70	119	48	0	139	20	1	5	2	0
Falls	373	176	197	311	62	0	343	18	2	9	1	0
Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis	489	223	266	379	110	0	380	72	15	20	1	1
Parkinson's disease	387	249	138	327	60	0	362	15	1	5	4	0
Septicemia	309	144	165	228	81	0	259	27	7	14	0	2
Total, all causes	30,553	14,733	15,820	24,619	5,929	5	26,914	2,344	483	624	173	15