

**TABLE 2C-12
MORTALITY RATES¹ FOR THE FIVE-LEADING CAUSES² OF DEATH AMONG ADOLESCENTS (15-19 YEARS)
BY GENDER, ARIZONA, 1993-2003**

Gender/Cause	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	% Change from 1993
MALE												
Accidents (unintentional injuries)	66.6	61.2	77.9	61.9	48.5	50.9	50.2	47.2	51.3	50.2	49.3	-26.0
Motor vehicle accidents	50.5	47.0	57.5	47.8	35.4	41.1	40.7	34.1	33.5	37.4	35.9	-28.9
Other than motor vehicle	16.1	14.2	20.3	14.1	13.2	9.8	9.5	13.1	17.8	12.8	13.4	-16.8
Assault (homicide)	37.5	47.0	56.8	46.0	30.0	24.3	25.6	22.6	22.8	25.6	19.1	-49.1
Intentional self-harm (suicide)	36.7	41.0	33.0	31.3	37.8	25.5	17.3	18.9	15.2	17.2	14.8	-59.7
Malignant neoplasms	4.6	3.7	5.6	6.1	6.6	3.5	2.2	6.3	5.6	5.4	2.4	-47.8
Diseases of heart	2.3	3.0	2.8	0.0	2.4	3.5	3.9	2.1	4.1	2.5	1.9	-15.7
ALL CAUSES	171.4	166.4	204.8	163.1	148.0	123.4	117.6	112.3	119.3	118.1	106.7	-37.7
(Number of all deaths)	(224)	(223)	(292)	(266)	(247)	(214)	(211)	(214)	(235)	(240)	(223)	-0.4
FEMALE												
Accidents (unintentional injuries)	30.5	25.8	26.5	28.3	21.4	27.7	19.9	23.7	22.9	22.2	19.1	-37.4
Motor vehicle accidents	25.6	24.2	23.6	24.9	18.1	22.6	16.8	20.3	18.6	18.0	15.5	-39.5
Other than motor vehicle	4.8	1.6	2.9	3.5	3.3	5.2	3.1	3.4	4.3	4.2	3.6	-25.0
Assault (homicide)	9.6	7.8	8.8	4.8	6.7	8.4	5.6	5.6	2.2	3.2	4.1	-57.3
Intentional self-harm (suicide)	8.0	5.5	3.7	3.5	8.0	3.9	3.1	2.8	5.5	2.1	4.1	-48.8
Malignant neoplasms	3.2	7.8	2.9	2.8	2.0	3.9	5.0	1.1	4.9	3.2	2.6	-18.8
Diseases of heart	3.2	1.6	0.0	3.5	2.0	1.3	0.0	1.1	1.1	1.1	0.5	-84.4
ALL CAUSES	60.1	62.4	52.3	60.1	52.9	54.2	41.0	42.9	51.4	44.5	41.7	-30.6
(Number of all deaths)	(75)	(80)	(71)	(87)	(79)	(84)	(66)	(76)	(94)	(84)	(81)	8.0
TOTAL												
Accidents (unintentional injuries)	48.9	43.9	52.8	46.1	35.7	39.9	35.8	35.9	37.6	36.7	34.7	-29.0
Motor vehicle accidents	38.4	35.9	40.9	37.0	27.2	32.3	29.4	27.5	26.3	28.1	26.0	-32.3
Other than motor vehicle	10.6	8.0	11.9	9.1	8.5	7.6	6.5	8.4	11.3	8.6	8.7	-17.9
Assault (homicide)	23.9	27.9	33.4	24.4	19.0	16.8	16.2	14.4	12.9	14.8	11.9	-50.2
Intentional self-harm (suicide)	22.7	23.7	18.7	18.2	23.7	15.2	10.6	11.1	10.5	9.9	9.7	-57.3
Malignant neoplasms	3.9	5.7	4.3	3.3	4.4	3.7	3.5	3.8	5.3	4.3	2.5	-35.9
Diseases of heart	2.7	2.3	1.4	1.6	2.2	2.4	2.1	1.6	2.6	1.8	1.2	-55.6
ALL CAUSES	117.0	115.6	130.4	114.6	103.1	90.9	81.4	78.9	86.6	82.7	75.4	-35.6
(Number of all deaths)	(299)	(303)	(363)	(353)	(326)	(298)	(277)	(290)	(329)	(324)	(304)	1.7

¹ Rates are presented per 100,000 adolescents 15-19 years old.

² The five causes with the greatest number of deaths over the 1993-2003 period.

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 2000-2003 are classified by ICD-10, replacing the Ninth Revision (ICD-9) used during 1979-1999. Measures of comparison between ICD-9 and ICD-10 – the “comparability ratios” – for the causes of death shown in this report are provided in the *Technical Notes*.