

**TABLE 2C-23  
LEADING CAUSES OF DEATH AMONG MIDDLE-AGED ADULTS (45-64 YEARS) BY GENDER, AREA AND RACE/ETHNICITY,  
ARIZONA, 2003**

	Total	Gender		Area			Race/Ethnicity					
		Male	Female	Urban	Rural	Unknown	White non-Hispanic	Hispanic or Latino	Black or African American	American Indian or Alaska Native	Asian or Pacific Islander	Other/Unknown
<b>Malignant neoplasms</b>	2,352	1,254	1,098	1,881	471	0	1,920	285	67	51	27	2
Malignant neoplasm of colon, rectum, and anus	216	133	83	184	32	0	165	34	11	3	3	0
Malignant neoplasm of trachea, bronchus and lung	695	386	309	542	153	0	622	40	20	7	4	2
Malignant neoplasm of breast	239	2	237	192	47	0	187	33	8	6	5	0
<b>Diseases of heart</b>	1,560	1,118	441	1,196	364	0	1,255	167	73	49	12	4
<b>Accidents (unintentional injury)</b>	540	391	149	386	153	1	369	83	24	56	5	3
Motor vehicle accidents	221	149	72	140	80	1	131	46	5	34	4	1
Falls	26	19	7	17	9	0	22	1	1	2	0	0
Accidental poisoning	168	122	46	142	26	0	126	21	15	5	0	1
<b>Chronic liver disease and cirrhosis</b>	340	243	97	255	85	0	228	67	1	42	0	2
<b>Diabetes</b>	273	169	104	215	58	0	159	62	22	29	1	0
<b>Chronic lower respiratory diseases</b>	257	121	136	201	56	0	229	16	7	5	0	0
<b>Intentional self-harm (suicide)</b>	219	167	52	157	61	1	197	18	2	2	0	0
By discharge of firearms	141	119	22	98	42	1	128	11	1	1	0	0
By other means	78	48	30	59	19	0	69	7	1	1	0	0
<b>Cerebrovascular diseases</b>	202	110	92	169	33	0	129	45	7	12	9	0
<b>Influenza and pneumonia</b>	130	87	43	103	27	0	84	26	2	17	0	1
<b>Assault (homicide)</b>	87	62	25	69	18	0	47	17	11	9	2	1
By discharge of firearms	44	31	13	37	7	0	24	12	4	4	0	0
By other means	43	31	12	32	11	0	23	5	7	5	2	1
<b>Total, all causes</b>	<b>7,675</b>	<b>4,776</b>	<b>2,898</b>	<b>5,987</b>	<b>1,683</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5,850</b>	<b>1,055</b>	<b>286</b>	<b>399</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>18</b>