

**TABLE 2C-27
LEADING CAUSES OF DEATH AMONG ELDERLY (65 YEARS AND OLDER) 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
Diseases of heart	8,819	4,340	4,479	7,151	1,664	4	7,769	687	194	130	35	4
Malignant neoplasms	6,748	3,660	3,087	5,332	1,414	2	5,911	548	137	105	45	2
Malignant neoplasm of colon, rectum, and anus	753	387	366	609	144	0	663	71	14	5	0	0
Malignant neoplasm of trachea, bronchus and lung	1,951	1,122	829	1,550	400	1	1,768	126	37	11	8	1
Malignant neoplasm of breast	388	2	385	309	79	0	345	21	13	7	2	0
Malignant neoplasm of lymphoid, hematopoietic and related tissue	684	352	332	563	121	0	613	42	7	16	6	0
Malignant neoplasm of prostate	510	510	0	388	121	1	454	31	14	10	1	0
Cerebrovascular diseases	2,098	809	1,289	1,701	395	2	1,792	211	48	34	13	0
Chronic lower respiratory diseases	2,234	1,108	1,126	1,783	450	1	2,078	110	20	19	7	0
Alzheimer's disease	1,678	525	1,153	1,385	293	0	1,535	100	33	6	4	0
Influenza and pneumonia	1,047	525	522	791	255	1	882	87	20	51	7	0
Diabetes	801	383	418	627	174	0	588	132	30	45	6	0
Accidents (unintentional injury)	750	363	387	604	146	0	645	58	13	27	7	0
Falls	417	194	223	357	60	0	379	19	4	12	3	0
Motor vehicle accidents	131	63	68	97	34	0	105	16	3	5	2	0
Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis	431	205	226	321	110	0	336	57	12	20	6	0
Parkinson's disease	395	223	172	337	58	0	358	23	4	8	2	0
Septicemia	329	154	175	248	81	0	263	39	6	17	4	0
Total, all causes	30,815	14,744	16,070	24,633	6,169	13	26,873	2,547	598	614	174	9