

TABLE 2C-16
MORTALITY RATES¹ FOR THE FIVE LEADING CAUSES² OF DEATH AMONG YOUNG ADULTS (20-44 YEARS) BY GENDER,
ARIZONA, 1997-2007

Gender/Cause	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	% change from 1997
MALE												
Accidents (unintentional injuries)	78.7	78.9	70.5	57.3	72.5	61.8	63.3	54.8	63.2	69.2	60.6	-23.0
Motor vehicle accidents	41.0	38.9	34.1	30.2	34.5	30.7	33.6	27.8	34.2	34.5	29.2	-28.8
Other than motor vehicle	37.7	40.0	36.4	27.1	38.0	31.1	29.7	27.0	29.0	34.7	31.4	-16.7
Intentional self-harm (suicide)	39.1	38.6	30.4	28.3	21.7	31.3	30.2	28.3	28.3	27.4	30.3	-22.5
Assault (homicide)	28.6	28.4	24.7	20.0	25.9	25.6	22.9	23.7	24.7	24.2	22.8	-20.3
Diseases of heart	20.1	21.6	19.1	16.2	16.6	17.2	16.3	15.4	15.3	15.9	14.3	-28.9
Malignant neoplasms	18.7	21.5	18.6	15.7	15.9	15.7	14.2	14.0	11.9	11.0	11.3	-39.6
ALL CAUSES	258.8	253.5	221.9	213.0	217.1	211.8	204.3	189.4	191.8	199.6	184.7	-28.6
(Number of all deaths)	(2251)	(2246)	(2048)	(2059)	(2172)	(2186)	(2169)	(2091)	(2185)	(2290)	(2166)	(-3.8)
FEMALE												
Accidents (unintentional injuries)	22.4	24.4	23.4	16.7	22.0	21.9	22.5	21.8	24.9	25.0	25.2	12.5
Motor vehicle accidents	13.6	15.5	14.0	10.1	10.5	12.0	12.2	12.7	13.8	13.1	12.2	-10.3
Other than motor vehicle	8.8	8.9	9.4	6.6	11.5	9.9	10.3	9.1	11.1	11.9	13.0	47.7
Malignant neoplasms	22.8	25.0	21.0	21.0	21.2	18.7	15.9	18.2	13.4	16.4	15.5	-32.0
Intentional self-harm (suicide)	8.7	9.7	7.8	7.2	4.3	6.2	7.4	7.2	7.5	7.0	7.1	-18.4
Diseases of heart	8.4	8.2	7.5	6.2	7.6	7.3	7.0	6.6	7.8	5.0	6.7	-20.2
Assault (homicide)	6.6	7.1	7.3	4.5	6.2	3.9	5.1	4.5	3.7	4.0	4.7	-28.8
ALL CAUSES	107.6	113.6	99.5	96.3	95.5	94.3	94.5	89.2	87.1	91.2	87.9	-18.3
(Number of all deaths)	(908)	(972)	(881)	(874)	(897)	(913)	(941)	(922)	(936)	(968)	(954)	5.1
TOTAL												
Accidents (unintentional injuries)	51.0	52.1	47.5	37.7	48.1	42.5	43.5	38.8	44.6	47.9	43.6	-14.5
Motor vehicle accidents	27.5	27.4	24.3	20.5	22.9	21.6	23.3	20.5	24.3	24.2	21.0	-23.6
Other than motor vehicle	23.5	24.7	23.2	17.2	25.2	20.9	20.2	18.3	20.3	23.7	22.6	-3.8
Intentional self-harm (suicide)	24.1	24.4	19.4	18.1	13.3	19.1	19.2	18.1	18.2	17.6	19.1	-20.7
Diseases of heart	14.4	15.0	13.4	11.4	12.2	12.4	11.8	11.1	11.7	10.7	10.7	-25.7
Malignant neoplasms	20.7	22.9	19.8	18.3	18.5	17.1	15.0	16.0	12.6	13.6	13.3	-35.7
Assault (homicide)	17.8	18.0	16.2	12.5	16.3	15.1	14.3	14.5	14.5	14.5	14.1	-20.8
ALL CAUSES	184.4	184.8	162.0	156.5	158.2	154.9	151.1	141.0	140.9	147.5	138.2	-25.1
(Number of all deaths)	(3159)	(3218)	(2929)	(2933)	(3069)	(3099)	(3110)	(3013)	(3121)	(3258)	(3120)	(-1.2)

¹Rates are presented per 100,000 persons 20-44 years old.

²The five causes with the greatest number of deaths over the 1997-2007 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 2000-2007 are classified by ICD-10, replacing the Ninth Revision (ICD-9) used during 1979-1999. Measures of comparability between ICD-9 and ICD-10 – the “comparability ratios” – for the causes of death shown in this report are provided in the *Technical Notes*.