

TABLE 2C-26
MORTALITY RATES¹ FOR THE FIVE LEADING CAUSES OF DEATH AMONG ELDERLY (65 YEARS AND OLDER)
BY GENDER IN URBAN AND RURAL AREAS², ARIZONA, 1998-2008

Area/Gender	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	% change from 1998
URBAN												
Male	4632.1	4692.7	4818.1	4650.1	4674.4	4542.1	4323.1	4359.2	4283.2	3986.1	4053.2	-12.5
Female	3870.0	3954.0	4160.0	4015.6	4036.1	3920.8	3786.0	3866.8	3871.5	3638.1	3534.9	-8.7
TOTAL	4202.3	4277.2	4447.4	4292.7	4314.8	4192.1	4021.7	4083.4	4053.0	3792.4	3765.0	-10.4
RURAL												
Male	4490.2	4349.0	4695.7	4473.9	4617.9	4502.4	4379.8	4561.0	4279.7	4058.9	4216.1	-6.1
Female	3825.4	3515.2	4417.3	3810.1	3799.9	4024.4	3836.1	3811.3	3658.6	3432.7	3555.8	-7.0
TOTAL	4140.7	3911.7	4160.1	4123.0	4185.5	4249.8	4093.4	4164.3	3949.5	3723.8	3863.1	-6.7
STATEWIDE												
Male	4603.0	4618.9	4761.6	4626.6	4663.4	4536.2	4338.0	4401.4	4282.4	4002.8	4095.0	-11.0
Female	3862.6	3870.0	4095.0	3985.3	3991.9	3941.6	3796.9	3856.6	3828.7	3597.1	3544.8	-8.2
TOTAL	4191.1	4203.4	4390.7	4269.8	4289.8	4205.3	4038.0	4099.3	4031.3	3778.8	3791.3	-9.5

¹Rates are presented per 100,000 persons 65 years and older.

²Urban = Maricopa, Pima, Pinal and Yuma counties. The remaining counties comprise Arizona's rural areas. See **Technical Notes** for more information.