

**TABLE 8-2  
DRUG-RELATED MORTALITY BY CATEGORY AND YEAR, ARIZONA RESIDENTS, 1995-2005**

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000		2001		2002	2003	2004	2005
						unmodified	modified	unmodified	modified				
<b>Abuse of psychoactive substances</b>	42	49	10	16	14	25	25	44	44	43	57	51	52
<b>Accidental poisoning by drugs</b>	221	268	289	362	383	230	424	414	457	458	447	517	549
<b>Intentional self-poisoning by drugs</b>	108	56	73	87	101	58	133	76	113	100	93	115	108
<b>Assault by drugs</b>	0	1	2	1	1	0	0	2	4	1	1	1	5
<b>Undetermined intent of poisoning by drugs</b>	18	21	27	37	41	21	32	41	41	43	48	61	85
<b>Drugs causing adverse effects in therapeutic use</b>	8	9	7	5	3	3	3	6	6	9	6	2	4
<b>Total</b>	397	404	408	508	543	337	617	583	659	654	652	747	803

Note: Before data for 2000, mortality medical information was based on manual coding of an underlying death for each certificate in accordance with WHO rules, and done locally by the Office of Vital Records. Effective with the 2000 data year, cause-of-death data presented in this publication were coded by the National Center for Health Statistics, using computerized procedures of SuperMICAR (Mortality Medical Indexing and Retrieval) and ACME (Automated Classification of Medical Entities) systems. The conversion to computerized coding contributed to at least some of the breaks in comparability over time of cause-of-death statistics for accidental poisoning by drugs and intentional self-poisoning by drugs.

Table 8-2 provides two data columns for 2000 and 2001: Unmodified and modified for the misclassification of the underlying cause of death. The numbers used in the "modified" column for 2000-2001 are from the WISQARS site at [http://webappa.cdc.gov/sasweb/ncipc/mortrate10\\_sy.html](http://webappa.cdc.gov/sasweb/ncipc/mortrate10_sy.html).