

**TABLE 7-3  
NUMBER OF SUICIDES BY FIREARMS AND TOTAL SUICIDES BY AGE GROUP AND YEAR, ARIZONA RESIDENTS, 2002-2012**

Age group	Cause	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
5-14	All Suicides	12	8	*	11	11	*	8	*	9	12	8
	# by Firearms	*	*	0	*	*	0	*	0	*	*	*
15-19	All Suicides	39	39	49	61	57	38	56	49	39	50	48
	# by Firearms	26	17	25	30	28	17	24	21	13	19	28
20-44	All Suicides	383	395	386	403	388	432	314	408	412	447	410
	# by Firearms	222	202	202	191	197	242	168	194	212	242	220
45-64	All Suicides	256	219	263	275	295	350	326	389	422	420	416
	# by Firearms	153	141	145	156	182	166	198	212	236	254	238
65 and over	All Suicides	165	145	154	164	196	166	172	209	188	182	187
	# by Firearms	140	112	126	126	142	161	136	169	138	149	149
All Ages <sup>a</sup>	Total Suicides	855	807	850†	915	948	990†	968	1,060†	1,070	1,113	1,070
	# by Firearms	540†	480†	498	510†	550†	541	530†	596	600†	670†	640†
	% by Firearms	63.6	57.1	58.3	55.4	58.4	54.9	60.4	56.2	56.3	60.1	59.6

Notes: \* Cell suppressed due to non-zero count less than 6; † Sum rounded to nearest tens unit due to non-zero addend less than 6; 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 drug-induced deaths, intentional self-harm (suicide), firearm-suicide, and accidental discharge of firearms.<sup>a</sup> May include records with unknown or unspecified age.

Data year	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Suicide	855	807	854	915	948	986	968	1,060	1,070	1,113	1,070
Suicide by firearms	544	476	498	507	554	541	529	596	602	669	638
Accidental discharge of firearms	26	13	13	15	9	13	9	7	11	8	*