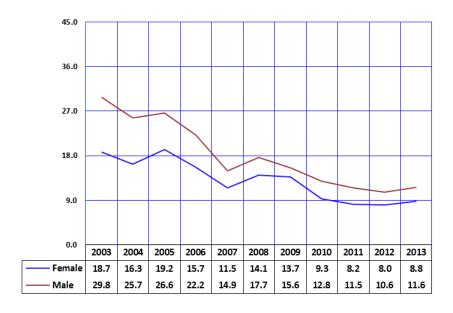
2B. LEADING CAUSES OF DEATH Influenza and pneumonia

Figure 2B-20
Age-adjusted Mortality Rates^a for Influenza and Pneumonia by Gender and Year, Arizona, 2003-2013



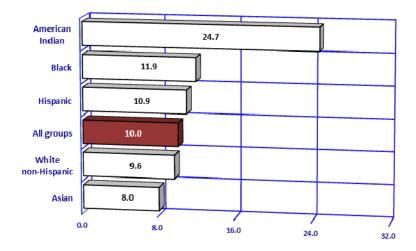
Notes: $^{\rm a}$ Number of deaths per 100,000 population age-adjusted to the 2000 U.S. standard.

The number of deaths from influenza pneumonia and decreased by 43.4 percent from a recent high of 1,280 in 2005 to 724 in 2013, though the number of influenza deaths rose 14.0 percent from 2012 to 2013 (Table 2B-1). Among the 724 deaths, influenza was identified as the underlying cause for 42 of them, while pneumonia was listed as the underlying cause on 682 death certificates (Table 2B-6).

The mortality rate for influenza and pneumonia increased for females from 8.0 deaths per 100,000 in 2012 to 8.8 deaths in 2013 (**Figure 2B-20, Table 2B-2**). The mortality rate for influenza and pneumonia also increased for males from 10.6 deaths per 100,000 in 2012 to 11.6/100,000 in 2013.

In 2013, the age-adjusted mortality rate for Arizona males was 31.8 percent greater than that of Arizona females.

Figure 2B-21
Age-adjusted Mortality Rates^a for Influenza and Pneumonia by Race/Ethnicity, Arizona, 2013



Notes: ^a Number of deaths per 100,000 population age-adjusted to the 2000 U.S. standard

In 2013, American Indian residents of Arizona had the highest mortality rate for influenza and pneumonia (24.7 deaths per 100,000) among the racial/ethnic groups. The age-adjusted mortality of 8.0/100,000 among Asians was the lowest rate among racial/ethnic groups in the State (Figure 2B-21, Table 2B-4).

Compared to the State death rate for influenza and pneumonia, Apache County's rate was 2.6 times greater (26.4/100,000). The mortality rate was also elevated in Navajo County (20.1/100,000), Gila County (18.3/100,000), and Yuma County (17.8/100,000; **Table 5E-11**).