

**TABLE 2C-24
MORTALITY RATES^a FOR THE FIVE LEADING CAUSES^b OF DEATH AMONG ELDERLY (65 YEARS AND OLDER)
IN URBAN AND RURAL AREAS^c, ARIZONA, 2004-2014**

Area/Cause	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	% change from 2004
URBAN												
Diseases of heart	1130.1	1110.7	1055.0	983.1	971.9	952.2	888.5	932.0	891.8	862.3	781.0	-30.9
Malignant neoplasms	869.3	863.6	854.5	834.1	817.9	835.0	834.0	846.2	825.5	807.6	748.7	-13.9
Chronic lower respiratory diseases	278.9	309.3	303.2	271.8	289.2	282.2	288.7	311.3	288.9	286.3	267.8	-4.0
Alzheimer's disease	232.9	244.6	270.7	262.4	261.3	263.2	284.9	288.9	251.5	272.0	252.6	8.5
Cerebrovascular diseases	287.8	257.3	234.6	211.3	206.4	206.1	201.5	202.0	192.8	180.1	172.6	-40.0
ALL CAUSES	4021.7	4083.4	4053.0	3792.4	3765.0	3765.4	3738.3	3886.0	3740.3	3663.4	3615.6	-10.1
(Number of all deaths)	(24384)	(25740)	(25585)	(25143)	(25374)	(25596)	(26043)	(27302)	(27824)	(28442)	(29416)	20.6
RURAL												
Diseases of heart	1094.8	1127.8	1006.1	946.3	979.3	950.4	889.9	990.4	912.5	919.1	834.0	-23.8
Malignant neoplasms	966.6	927.4	915.2	868.7	883.7	865.3	864.6	840.5	802.6	847.8	764.5	-20.9
Chronic lower respiratory diseases	275.7	293.8	308.5	290.0	322.1	302.5	291.6	298.9	299.6	314.0	264.3	-4.1
Cerebrovascular diseases	251.7	267.2	214.0	213.6	228.2	187.0	204.1	193.1	171.9	164.1	157.9	-37.3
Alzheimer's disease	195.6	168.0	195.5	161.5	166.7	152.1	169.6	145.1	130.2	117.2	118.7	-39.3
ALL CAUSES	4093.4	4164.3	3949.5	3723.8	3863.1	3628.5	3657.5	3741.1	3590.0	3665.4	3558.1	-13.1
(Number of all deaths)	(6132)	(6421)	(6607)	(6434)	(6789)	(6441)	(6773)	(6935)	(7058)	(7505)	(7526)	22.7
TOTAL												
Diseases of heart	1123.5	1114.1	1044.8	975.7	974.3	953.3	890.4	946.8	898.3	874.8	793.1	-29.4
Malignant neoplasms	889.5	876.1	867.2	841.5	832.4	843.0	841.5	846.1	821.8	816.9	752.6	-15.4
Chronic lower respiratory diseases	278.3	306.3	304.3	275.6	296.1	287.0	290.1	309.1	292.0	292.3	267.6	-3.9
Alzheimer's disease	220.1	229.5	258.2	241.6	242.6	240.8	260.9	259.8	226.4	239.8	225.4	2.4
Cerebrovascular diseases	280.8	259.2	230.3	211.8	211.1	202.5	202.3	200.7	188.6	176.9	169.6	-39.6
ALL CAUSES	4038.0	4099.3	4031.3	3778.8	3791.3	3744.2	3728.2	3864.8	3716.9	3667.5	3610.4	-10.6
(Number of all deaths)	(30532)	(32163)	(32192)	(31852)	(32214)	(32098)	(32876)	(34318)	(34958)	(35983)	(37010)	21.2

Notes: ^a Rates are presented per 100,000 elderly persons 65 years and older; ^b The five causes with the greatest number of deaths over the 2004-2014 period; ^c Urban = Maricopa, Pima, Pinal, and Yuma counties; the remaining counties comprise Arizona's rural areas; see **Technical Notes** for more information; records with unknown county of residence are included in the statewide totals, but are not distributed by urban/rural area; the cause-of-death titles are according to the Tenth Revision of the International Classification of Diseases (ICD-10); the causes of death for 2004-2014 are classified by ICD-10, replacing the Ninth Revision (ICD-9); measures of comparison between ICD-9 and ICD-10 - the "comparability ratios" - for the causes of death shown in this report are provided in the **Technical Notes**.