

**TABLE 2C-26**  
**MORTALITY RATES<sup>1</sup> FOR THE FIVE LEADING CAUSES OF DEATH AMONG ELDERLY (65 YEARS AND OLDER)**  
**BY GENDER IN URBAN AND RURAL AREAS<sup>2</sup>, ARIZONA, 1997-2007**

Area/Gender	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	% change from 1997
<b>URBAN</b>												
Male	4669.5	4632.1	4692.7	4818.1	4650.1	4674.4	4542.1	4323.1	4359.2	4283.2	3986.1	-14.6
Female	3928.5	3870.0	3954.0	4160.0	4015.6	4036.1	3920.8	3786.0	3866.8	3871.5	3638.1	-7.4
TOTAL	4251.5	4202.3	4277.2	4447.4	4292.7	4314.8	4192.1	4021.7	4083.4	4053.0	3792.4	-10.8
<b>RURAL</b>												
Male	4315.8	4490.2	4349.0	4695.7	4473.9	4617.9	4502.4	4379.8	4561.0	4279.7	4058.9	-6.0
Female	3713.9	3825.4	3515.2	4417.3	3810.1	3799.9	4024.4	3836.1	3811.3	3658.6	3432.7	-7.6
TOTAL	4003.8	4140.7	3911.7	4160.1	4123.0	4185.5	4249.8	4093.4	4164.3	3949.5	3723.8	-7.0
<b>STATEWIDE</b>												
Male	4593.8	4603.0	4618.9	4761.6	4626.6	4663.4	4536.2	4338.0	4401.4	4282.4	4002.8	-12.9
Female	3889.0	3862.6	3870.0	4095.0	3985.3	3991.9	3941.6	3796.9	3856.6	3828.7	3597.1	-7.5
TOTAL	4201.6	4191.1	4203.4	4390.7	4269.8	4289.8	4205.3	4038.0	4099.3	4031.3	3778.8	-10.1

<sup>1</sup>Rates are presented per 100,000 persons 65 years and older.

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