

**TABLE 2C-27
LEADING CAUSES OF DEATH AMONG ELDERLY (65 YEARS AND OLDER) BY GENDER, AREA AND RACE/ETHNICITY,
ARIZONA, 2007**

Cause of death	Total	Gender		Area*			Race/ethnicity					
		Male	Female	Urban	Rural	Other/ Unknown	White non- Hispanic	Hispanic or Latino	Black or African American	American Indian or Alaska Native	Asian or Pacific Islander	Other/ Unknown
Diseases of heart	8,155	4,039	4,116	6,518	1,635	2	7,145	669	166	135	37	3
Malignant neoplasms	7,033	3,819	3,214	5,530	1,501	2	6,147	563	134	138	48	3
Malignant neoplasm of colon, rectum, and anus	719	389	330	553	166	0	628	57	17	11	5	1
Malignant neoplasm of trachea, bronchus and lung	1,917	1,061	856	1,519	397	1	1,736	115	38	14	14	0
Malignant neoplasm of breast	412	5	407	325	87	0	364	31	6	8	3	0
Malignant neoplasm of lymphoid, hematopoietic and related tissue	776	432	344	637	139	0	683	60	12	13	8	0
Malignant neoplasm of prostate	507	507	0	396	111	0	443	40	13	9	2	0
Chronic lower respiratory diseases	2,303	1,126	1,177	1,802	501	0	2,149	105	21	19	6	3
Alzheimer's disease	2,019	626	1,393	1,740	279	0	1,816	140	37	16	9	1
Cerebrovascular diseases	1,770	631	1,139	1,401	369	0	1,500	179	38	28	25	0
Accidents (unintentional injury)	982	465	517	813	169	0	841	77	20	36	7	1
Falls	624	263	361	545	79	0	566	37	7	10	4	0
Motor vehicle accidents	146	86	60	106	40	0	111	17	3	12	3	0
Diabetes	779	385	394	573	206	0	543	151	24	57	3	1
Influenza and pneumonia	724	348	376	548	176	0	587	75	11	45	6	0
Parkinson's disease	443	260	183	376	67	0	398	36	1	5	3	0
Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis	416	201	215	301	115	0	294	70	21	26	4	1
Septicemia	384	172	212	313	71	0	295	51	12	17	9	0
Essential (primary) hypertension and hypertensive disease	344	134	210	273	71	0	280	30	14	15	5	0
Total, all causes	31,582	14,981	16,601	25,143	6,434	5	27,318	2,714	594	723	215	18

*Urban = Maricopa, Pima, Pinal and Yuma counties. The remaining counties comprise Arizona's rural areas.