

**TABLE 2C-21  
MORTALITY RATES<sup>a</sup> FOR THE FIVE LEADING CAUSES OF DEATH AMONG MIDDLE-AGED ADULTS (45-64 YEARS)  
BY GENDER IN URBAN AND RURAL AREAS<sup>b</sup>, ARIZONA, 2002-2012**

Area/Gender	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	% change from 2002
<b>URBAN</b>												
Male	812.8	809.3	788.6	815.2	749.3	714.7	693.2	697.6	690.0	703.5	724.9	-10.8
Female	472.5	462.2	461.1	490.0	447.6	410.8	431.1	426.5	423.0	427.8	434.7	-8.0
TOTAL	637.2	630.1	620.7	647.8	595.0	559.7	559.5	559.4	552.4	561.5	575.8	-9.6
<b>RURAL</b>												
Male	943.6	966.6	972.3	1010.8	879.7	891.7	953.6	896.8	924.9	918.6	968.7	2.7
Female	520.2	546.9	575.1	567.2	536.9	497.7	518.4	543.0	504.0	526.1	486.1	-6.6
TOTAL	725.8	750.7	768.9	781.4	702.9	687.3	727.8	713.2	708.3	716.6	720.2	-0.8
<b>STATEWIDE</b>												
Male	839.0	840.1	823.9	852.1	772.8	746.4	741.9	738.1	744.1	752.2	778.8	-7.2
Female	481.8	478.5	482.7	504.6	464.1	426.7	448.4	448.6	439.6	447.1	445.8	-7.5
TOTAL	654.8	653.6	649.1	673.1	614.6	582.8	591.8	590.0	587.2	595.0	607.6	-7.2

Notes: <sup>a</sup> Rates are presented per 100,000 persons 45-64 years old; <sup>b</sup> Urban = Maricopa, Pima, Pinal, and Yuma counties; the remaining counties comprise Arizona's rural areas; see **Technical Notes** for more information.