

**TABLE 2C-26
LEADING CAUSES OF DEATH AMONG ELDERLY (65 YEARS AND OLDER) BY GENDER, AREA, AND RACE/ETHNICITY,
ARIZONA, 2020**

Cause of death	Total	Gender		Area ^a			Race/ethnicity					
		Male	Female	Urban	Rural	Unknown	White non-Hispanic	Hispanic or Latino	Black or African American	American Indian or Alaska Native	Asian or Pacific Islander	Refused/Unknown
Diseases of heart	11,699	6,308	5,391	9,202	2,470	27	9,704	1,177	330	244	153	91
Malignant neoplasms	9,644	5,275	4,369	7,541	2,089	14	7,976	1,016	292	171	143	46
Malignant neoplasm of trachea, bronchus and lung	2,119	1,095	1,024	1,628	490	*	1,843	157	66	16	24	13
Malignant neoplasm of lymphoid, hematopoietic and related tissue	1,020 [†]	605	416	836	184	*	849	111	24	16	16	*
Malignant neoplasm of colon, rectum, and anus	800 [†]	387	417	625	176	*	648	85	32	19	15	*
Malignant neoplasm of pancreas	790 [†]	422	365	634	151	*	641	79	20	24	18	*
Malignant neoplasm of prostate	720 [†]	722	0	558	164	0	584	85	31	12	7	*
Malignant neoplasm of breast	580 [†]	7	571	450	127	*	467	73	21	*	11	*
COVID-19[‡]	6,260	3,576	2,684	4,851	1,395	14	3,624	1,671	174	620	125	46
Chronic lower respiratory diseases	3,220	1,547	1,673	2,427	790	*	2,857	221	52	30	28	32
Alzheimer's disease	3,195	1,084	2,111	2,623	568	*	2,623	378	84	39	57	14
Cerebrovascular diseases	2,780	1,218	1,562	2,251	525	*	2,184	375	84	65	59	13
Diabetes	1,716	1,003	713	1,370	343	*	1,048	389	80	141	40	18
Accidents (unintentional injury)	1,550	857	693	1,215	334	*	1,279	148	36	49	19	19
Falls	990 [†]	496	493	806	182	*	853	91	11	23	9	*
Motor vehicle accidents	170 [†]	115	53	125	43	0	130	17	*	6	7	*
Parkinson's disease	990 [†]	638	348	843	142	*	839	89	17	20	19	*
Essential (primary) hypertension and hypertensive disease	931	419	512	787	144	0	698	138	38	34	16	7
Influenza and pneumonia	840 [†]	452	387	674	158	7	612	128	23	56	15	*
Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis	600 [†]	316	287	448	152	*	431	111	20	28	9	*
Septicemia	280 [†]	138	146	217	66	*	190	52	11	24	*	*
Total, all causes^b	55,283	28,258	27,025	43,652	11,525	106	43,239	7,350	1,543	1,919	860	372

Notes: * Cell suppressed due to count less than 6; [†] Sum rounded to nearest tens unit due to addend less than 6; ^a Urban = Maricopa, Pima, Pinal, and Yuma counties; the remaining counties comprise Arizona's rural areas; ^b May include other causes of death not shown above; [‡] The COVID-19 data collection began in mid-March 2020.