

**T38. LEADING CAUSES OF DEATH AMONG ELDERLY (65 YEARS AND OLDER) BY GENDER, AREA AND RACE/ETHNICITY,  
ARIZONA, 2008**

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
<b>Diseases of heart</b>	8,278	4,241	4,037	6,550	1,721	7	7,237	693	145	136	49	18
<b>Malignant neoplasms</b>	7,073	3,832	3,241	5,512	1,553	8	6,126	618	129	117	68	15
Malignant neoplasm of trachea, bronchus and lung	1,989	1,113	876	1,507	480	2	1,805	109	34	14	22	5
Malignant neoplasm of colon, rectum, and anus	641	320	321	487	153	1	540	62	17	14	7	1
Malignant neoplasm of prostate	504	504	0	391	110	3	424	54	9	8	7	2
Malignant neoplasm of breast	433	4	429	343	90	0	378	33	14	7	1	0
Malignant neoplasm of pancreas	468	233	235	389	79	0	383	59	10	9	5	2
Malignant neoplasm of lymphoid, hematopoietic and related tissue	766	431	335	636	130	0	677	63	10	11	4	1
<b>Chronic lower respiratory diseases</b>	2,516	1,206	1,310	1,949	566	1	2,328	120	31	22	10	5
<b>Alzheimer's disease</b>	2,061	664	1,397	1,767	293	1	1,826	153	53	14	13	2
<b>Cerebrovascular diseases</b>	1,794	719	1,075	1,391	402	1	1,517	182	39	30	24	2
<b>Accidents (unintentional injury)</b>	1,026	507	519	796	230	0	876	83	11	44	11	1
Falls	652	279	373	541	111	0	578	45	7	15	7	0
Motor vehicle accidents	139	97	42	86	53	0	106	18	0	14	0	1
<b>Influenza and pneumonia</b>	858	406	452	650	204	4	700	92	13	42	8	3
<b>Diabetes</b>	798	411	387	610	186	2	539	155	33	57	12	2
<b>Parkinson's disease</b>	477	295	182	395	82	0	423	28	8	15	3	0
<b>Essential (primary) hypertension and hypertensive disease</b>	417	183	234	364	51	2	339	55	11	8	4	0
<b>Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis</b>	392	202	190	263	128	1	277	72	11	27	4	1
<b>Septicemia</b>	354	189	165	264	89	1	266	55	7	21	5	0
<b>Total, all causes</b>	32,214	15,589	16,625	25,374	6,789	51	27,659	2,906	585	728	268	68

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