

**TABLE 2-9**  
**ACCIDENTAL (UNINTENTIONAL INJURY) DEATHS BY YEAR AMONG ELDERLY (65 YEARS AND OLDER),**  
**ARIZONA RESIDENTS, 1993-2003**

	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
<b>Total accidents (unintentional injury)</b>	438	464	451	523	560	577	603	652	696	752	750
<b>Railway accidents</b>	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	1
<b>Motor vehicle accidents</b>	130	147	162	162	159	157	156	147	137	167	131
<b>Water transport accidents</b>	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
<b>Accidents involving aircraft</b>	0	4	2	4	0	3	2	2	0	1	3
<b>Poisoning by drugs/medicaments</b>	1	6	5	4	2	4	5	12	8	12	10
<b>Poisoning by gases and vapors</b>	0	3	4	3	0	2	0	4	4	4	1
<b>Falls</b>	200	203	181	232	291	297	337	305	375	373	417
<b>Fire, flames, smoke</b>	20	11	10	16	12	12	13	18	14	21	22
<b>Excessive natural heat</b>	4	18	21	17	7	14	16	10	6	13	15
<b>Excessive natural cold</b>	7	2	4	3	4	7	4	5	4	5	2
<b>Contact with venomous snakes and lizards</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Contact with venomous spiders</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Contact with scorpions</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Contact with hornets, wasps, bees</b>	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Bitten or struck by dog</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
<b>Lightning</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
<b>Storms and floods</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
<b>Accidental drowning and submersion</b>	11	9	6	16	9	13	11	12	8	9	10
<b>Choked on food</b>	9	6	11	14	16	13	17	18	14	10	20
<b>Choked on other objects</b>	28	17	12	13	14	19	14	29	17	47	45
<b>Mechanical suffocation</b>	2	3	5	1	1	2	1	3	7	3	1
<b>Accidental discharge of firearms</b>	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	2	*NA	6	4
<b>Exposure to electric current</b>	0	1	2	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
<b>Overexertion</b>	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Adverse effects of drugs in therapetic use</b>	5	5	5	4	5	3	1	3	3	5	4
<b>Misadventures to patients during medical/surgical care</b>	6	10	13	16	11	8	13	31	29	33	28

\* See footnote to Table 3-1 in "Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide), Arizona, 1993-2003".