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## **Purpose**

The purpose of this report is to provide information concerning deaths from exposure to heat due to weather conditions occurring in Arizona. Unlike our other reports, designed to monitor health status of the residents of Arizona, this publication is focused on mortality occurring in the State to both residents and non-residents. The data for 2002 (the latest year with complete information) are placed in a temporal context by comparison with the data for the preceding ten years.

The report *Deaths from exposure to excessive natural heat occurring in Arizona, 1992 – 2002* was prepared as a supplement to injury mortality statistics for Arizona residents. These statistics are updated annually through a series of publications, including the *Arizona Health Status and Vital Statistics* (http://www.hs.state.az.us/plan/report/ahs/ahs2002/pdf/130.pdf) and *Injury Mortality Among Arizona Residents* (unintentional injury section: http://www.hs.state.az.us/plan/report/im/index.htm).

### **Methods and Sources**

Data on the number and characteristics of deaths from heat due to weather conditions were obtained from the mortality database containing information from the death certificates filed with the Arizona Department of Health Services.

The *International Classification of Diseases* (ICD) permits the classification of environmental events and circumstances as the external cause of injury death. Beginning with the 2000 data year in Arizona (1999 nationally) the Tenth Revision of the International Classification of Diseases (ICD-10) has replaced the Ninth Revision (ICD-9), which was in effect since 1979. Exposure to excessive natural heat as the <u>underlying cause of death</u> is identified by a three-character category X30 in the Tenth Revision and corresponding to it code E900.0 in the Ninth Revision. In this report, the deaths from exposure to heat due to weather conditions are classified by ICD-9 for 1992-1999 and by ICD-10 for 2000-2002.

In addition to death certificates where exposure to excessive natural heat was indicated as the underlying cause of death, heatstroke or sunstroke may be reported on death certificates as <u>contributing factors</u> that had a bearing on the death, but were not its underlying cause.

For example, heatstroke and sunstroke were mentioned in 2002 on death certificates where brain cancer (D43.2), atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease (I25.0), dilated cardiomyopathy (I42.0), urinary tract infection (N39.0), exposure to other and unspecified forces of nature (X39), accidental overdose of narcotics (X42) and other event of undetermined intent (Y33) were reported as the underlying cause of death. Those <u>heat-related deaths</u> are beyond the scope of this report.

### **Summary of Findings**

From 1992 to 2002, 570 deaths from exposure to heat due to weather conditions occurred in Arizona. The residents of the State accounted for a majority of these deaths (315, or 55.3 percent). On average, 29 Arizona residents died every year from a heatstroke or sunstroke in the eleven-year period 1992-2002.

Visitors to Arizona from other U.S. states or Canada experienced 41 deaths from exposure to heat due to weather conditions during the 1992-2002 period.

The 214 deaths from exposure to excessive natural heat among the illegal immigrants crossing the Arizona's border with Mexico accounted for 37.5 percent of all deaths due to this cause that occurred in the State during the 1992-2002 period. The vast majority (196, or 91.6 percent) of these deaths occurred in the five years from 1998 to 2002.

Unprecedented increase in the number of deaths from natural heat among migrants (from no fatalities in 1992, to 13 deaths reported in 1998 and 80 deaths in 2002) was likely to be linked to an increase in illegal immigrant traffic across Arizona's part of the U.S. – Mexico border.

Ironically, it may have been to some extent the result of a rather successful crackdown on illegal immigrants in Texas, New Mexico and California. By 1998, there was a substantial decline in the number of arrests in the traditional illegal immigration corridors of these three states, while the Tucson sector of Arizona was to become **the busiest illegal-crossing corridor along the Southwest border**. Prior to 1998, the average annual mortality from exposure to heat among the illegal immigrants crossing the State's southern border did not exceed three (3) deaths/year.

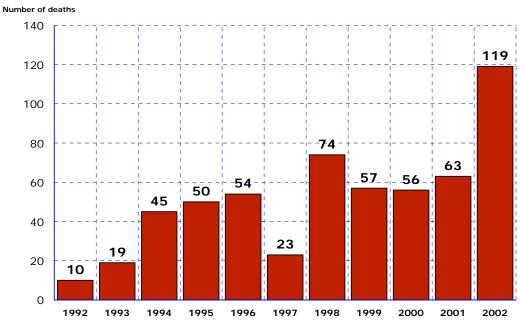
## Figure 1

# DEATHS FROM EXPOSURE TO EXCESSIVE NATURAL HEAT\* OCCURRING IN ARIZONA BY YEAR, 1992-2002

In the eleven-year period from 1992 to 2002, 570 deaths from exposure to excessive natural heat occurred in Arizona.

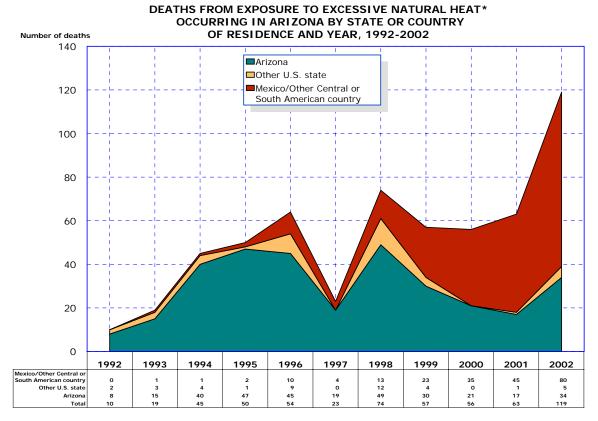
The number of deaths from exposure to excessive natural heat has shown a wide variation from year to year (low = 10 deaths in 1992, high = 119 deaths in 2002. On average, 52 people died every year from a heatstroke or sunstroke in the eleven-year period from 1992 to 2002. The number of 119 deaths from exposure to heat due to weather conditions in 2002 accounted for one-fifth (119/570 or 20.9 percent) of these deaths (**Figure 1, Table 1**).

Approximately seven out of every ten deaths from exposure to excessive natural heat in 1992-2002 were males (412/570 or 72.3 percent, **Table 1**).



<sup>\*</sup>The underlying cause of death was classified as E900.0 by ICD-9 (1992-1999) or as X30 by ICD-10 (beginning in 2000). Included are deaths occurring in Arizona from excessive heat due to weather conditions as the cause of heatstroke or sunstroke among both residents of Arizona and non-residents. Excluded are deaths due to excessive heat of man-made origin.

Figure 2



\*The underlying cause of death was classified as E900.0 by ICD-9 (1992-1999) or as X30 by ICD-10 (beginning in 2000). Included are deaths occurring in Arizona from excessive heat due to weather conditions as the cause of heatstroke or sunstroke among both residents of Arizona and non-residents. Excluded are deaths due to excessive heat of man-made origin.

From 1992 to 2002, the residents of the State accounted for a majority of deaths from exposure to heat due to weather conditions (315/570, or 55.3 percent).

Visitors to Arizona from other U.S. states or Canada experienced 41 deaths from exposure to heat due to weather conditions during the 1992-2002 period.

The 214 deaths from exposure to excessive natural heat among the illegal immigrants crossing the Arizona's border with Mexico accounted for 37.5 percent of all deaths due to this cause that occurred in the State during the 1992-2002 period. The vast majority (196, or 91.6 percent) of these deaths occurred in the five years from 1998 to 2002. There was no climate change, which could explain this unprecedented increase in the number of Arizona deaths from natural heat among illegal immigrants (from no fatalities in 1992, to 13 deaths reported in 1998 and 80 deaths in 2002). Rather, the increase in mortality was likely to be linked to an increase in illegal immigrant traffic across Arizona's part of the U.S. - Mexico border. It is not unreasonable to assume, that it may have been to some extent the result of a rather successful crackdown on illegal immigrants in Texas, New Mexico and California. By 1998, the success<sup>1</sup> of several border operations (Operation Gatekeeper in San Diego, Operation Hold the Line in El Paso, Operation Rio Grande in McAllen) effected a substantial decline in the number of arrests in the traditional illegal immigration corridors of these three states, while the Tucson sector of Arizona's border was to become "the busiest illegal-crossing corridor along the Southwest border"<sup>2</sup>. Prior to 1998, the average annual mortality from exposure to heat among the illegal immigrants crossing the State's southern border did not exceed three (3) deaths/year.

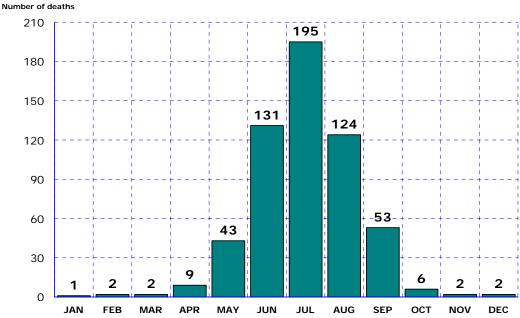
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>http://uscis.gov/graphics/publicaffairs/factsheets/bpops.htm

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>http://uscis.gov/graphics/publicaffairs/newsrels/skywatch.htm http:///uscis.gov/graphics/shared/lawenfor/bpatrol/strategy.htm

# Figure 3

# DEATHS FROM EXPOSURE TO EXCESSIVE NATURAL HEAT\* OCCURRING IN ARIZONA BY MONTH IN THE ELEVEN-YEAR PERIOD, 1992-2002

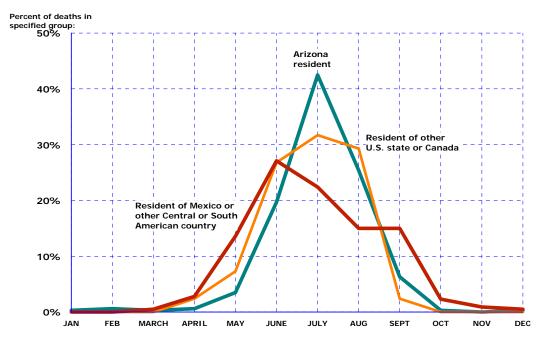
Not surprisingly, in Arizona (1992-2002) most deaths from excessive natural heat occurred during summer and late spring (**Figure 3**, **Table 2**, **Table 3**), with the highest number of deaths occurring during the month of July (195), followed by June (131), then August (124), September (53) and May (43). In 1992-2002, ninety-six percent of all deaths from heat to weather conditions occurred during the five months from May through September.



<sup>\*</sup>The underlying cause of death was classified as E900.0 by ICD-9 (1992-1999) or as X30 by ICD-10 (beginning in 2000). Included are deaths occurring in Arizona from excessive heat due to weather conditions as the cause of heatstroke or sunstroke among both residents of Arizona and non-residents. Excluded are deaths due to excessive heat of man-made origin.

Figure 4

# PERCENT DISTRIBUTION OF DEATHS FROM EXPOSURE TO EXCESSIVE NATURAL HEAT\* OCCURRING IN ARIZONA BY MONTH AND RESIDENCE STATUS IN THE ELEVEN-YEAR PERIOD, 1992-2002



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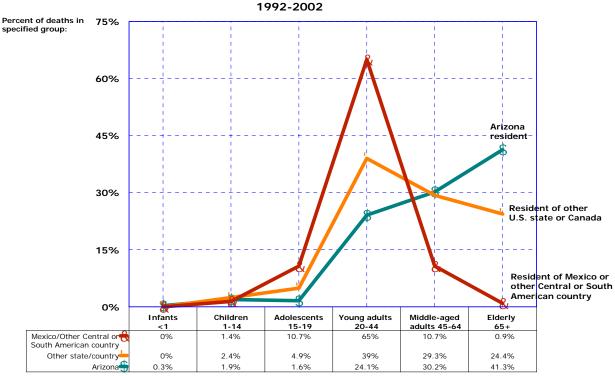
Among both the residents of Arizona and visitors from other states, most deaths from excessive natural heat occurred during the month of July (Figure 4, Table 2). Among migrants to Arizona from 1992 through 2002, the highest number of deaths occurred during the month of June. The difference in the seasonal pattern of mortality may mean that fewer migrants attempted to cross the border in July and August, the two summer months with the highest temperatures.

In 1992-2002, deaths from exposure to excessive natural heat among migrants to Arizona occurred at younger ages compared to deaths from natural heat among the State's residents (Figure 5). Historically, older adults 65 years or older have been at the highest risk of heatstroke or sunstroke among the age groups of Arizona residents. Less than one percent of all deaths from natural heat among migrants were 65 years and older, while 41.3 percent of fatalities due to exposure to heat among Arizona residents were this old. In fact, deaths from excessive heat ranked fifth among the leading causes of accidental death for Arizona elderly 65 years or older in 1992-2002 (http://www.hs.state.az.us/plan/report/im/im/im02/2/xls/t2 14.xls See also Chapter 2 of the report on *Injury Mortality* Among Arizona Residents, 1990-2002 available at http://www.hs.state.az.us/plan/report/im/im/im01/im00/imc2.pdf).

Not surprisingly, young adults 20-44 years old accounted during 1992-2002 for 65 percent of deaths from exposure to excessive natural heat among the migrants from Mexico and other Central/South American countries.

PERCENT DISTRIBUTION OF DEATHS FROM EXPOSURE TO EXCESSIVE NATURAL HEAT\* OCCURRING IN ARIZONA BY AGE GROUP AND RESIDENCE STATUS IN THE ELEVEN-YEAR PERIOD,

Figure 5

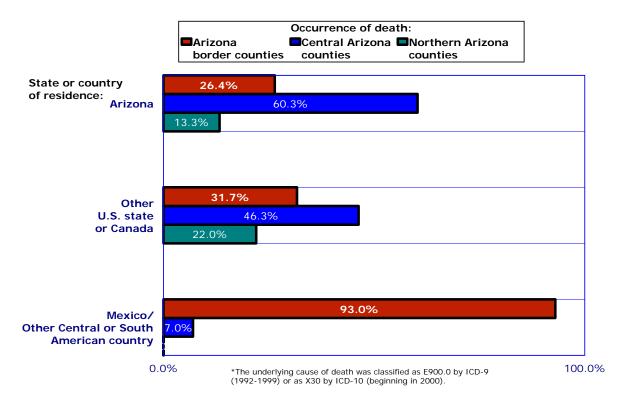


<sup>\*</sup>The underlying cause of death was classified as E900.0 by ICD-9 (1992-1999) or as X30 by ICD-10 (beginning in 2000).

Note: the age was unknown for 24 (11.2 percent) of the illegal immigrants from Mexico and other Central or South American countries.

Figure 6

# PERCENT DISTRIBUTION OF DEATHS FROM EXPOSURE TO EXCESSIVE NATURAL HEAT\* BY RESIDENCE STATUS AND AREA OF OCCURRENCE IN ARIZONA IN THE ELEVEN-YEAR PERIOD, 1992-2002



The four counties along the southern border of Arizona (Cochise, Pima, Santa Cruz, and Yuma) accounted for 93 percent of deaths from excessive heat due to weather conditions among the illegal immigrants (**Figure 6, Table 3**). In contrast, the centrally situated Maricopa County accounted for the majority of deaths from heat due to weather conditions among both the residents of Arizona and visitors from other States.

Beginning with the 2001 data year, information about the specific geographic location of fatal injury was included in the mortality database. In 2001-2002, among the 125 deaths of migrants from exposure to excessive natural heat, 99 occurred in Pima County, most of them in the remote desert areas of the Tohono O'Odham Indian reservation (Figure 7, next page).

Case summaries of the eighty deaths of migrants to Arizona in 2002, including the geographic location of injury, the city of deaths, the immediate cause of death, age and gender of the deceased, are shown in **Table 4**.

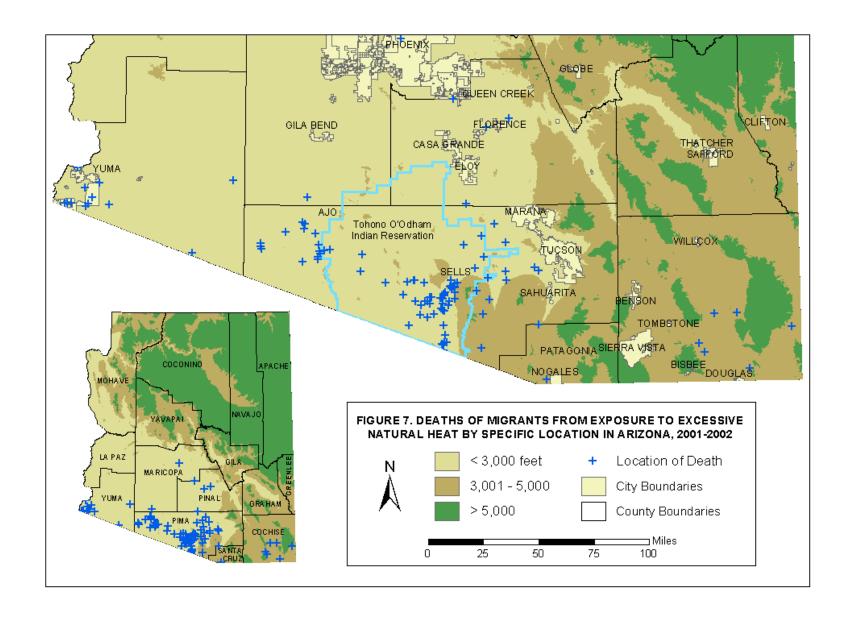


Table 1

Characteristics of deaths from exposure to excessive natural heat occurring in Arizona by year, 1992-2002

| Characteristic                |   | Tatal |    |      |      |      | Yea  | r of de | eath |      |      |      |      |
|-------------------------------|---|-------|----|------|------|------|------|---------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Characteristic                |   | Total |    | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997    | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 |
| Total                         |   | 570   | 10 | 19   | 45   | 50   | 54   | 23      | 74   | 57   | 56   | 63   | 119  |
| State or country of residence | Arizona   | 315   | 8  | 15   | 40   | 47   | 35   | 19      | 49   | 30   | 21   | 17   | 34   |
|                               | Other U.S. state or Canada                        | 41    | 2  | 3    | 4    | 1    | 9    | 0       | 12   | 4    | 0    | 1    | Ę    |
|                               | Mexico/Other Central or South<br>American country | 214   | 0  | 1    | 1    | 2    | 10   | 4       | 13   | 23   | 35   | 45   | 80   |
| Gender                        | Male  | 412   | 4  | 15   | 36   | 38   | 41   | 17      | 62   | 38   | 37   | 40   | 84   |
| _                             | Female  | 158   | 6  | 4    | 9    | 12   | 13   | 6       | 12   | 19   | 19   | 23   | 35   |
| Race/ethnic group             | White non-Hispanic                                | 246   | 6  | 9    | 33   | 33   | 32   | 11      | 40   | 23   | 15   | 13   |      |
|                               | Hispanic  | 259   | 3  | 6    | 4    | 11   | 14   | 8       | 29   | 23   | 37   | 44   | 80   |
|                               | Black   | 17    | 1  | 1    | 3    | 4    | 3    | 0       | 2    | 1    | 1    |      |      |
|                               | American Indian                                   | 28    | 0  | 2    | 4    | 1    | 5    | 4       | 2    | 5    | 2    |      |      |
|                               | Asian   | 2     | 0  | 0    | 0    | 1    | 0    | 0       | 0    | 0    | 0    |      |      |
| -<br>-                        | Undetermined                                      | 18    | 0  | 1    | 1    | 0    | 0    | 0       | 1    | 5    | 1    |      |      |
| Age group                     | <1  | 1     | 0  | 0    | 1    | 0    | 0    | 0       | 0    | 0    | 0    |      |      |
|                               | 1-4   | 4     | 0  | 1    | 0    | 0    | 1    | 1       | 1    | 0    | 0    |      |      |
|                               | 5-9   | 1     | 0  | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0       | 0    | 0    | 0    |      |      |
|                               | 10-14   | 5     | 0  | 1    | 0    | 0    | 1    | 0       | 0    | 0    | 0    |      |      |
|                               | 15-19   | 30    | 1  | 0    | 0    | 1    | 2    | 0       | 8    | 2    | 4    | 3    |      |
|                               | 20-24   | 43    | 0  | 1    | 1    | 2    | 3    | 1       | 5    | 1    | 6    |      |      |
|                               | 25-29   | 48    | 0  | 1    | 1    | 1    | 2    | 0       | 5    | 5    | 8    |      |      |
|                               | 30-34   | 48    | 1  | 0    | 1    | 4    | 3    | 1       | 1    | 6    | 5    |      |      |
|                               | 35-39   | 44    | 0  | 1    | 3    | 2    | 4    | 3       | 9    | 4    | 6    |      |      |
|                               | 40-44   | 48    | 0  | 1    | 3    | 6    | 1    | 4       | 6    | 4    | 6    | 6    |      |
|                               | 45-49   | 43    | 0  | 2    | 2    | 1    | 6    | 3       | 7    | 4    | 4    | 3    |      |
|                               | 50-54   | 37    | 1  | 4    | 4    | 4    | 1    | 2       | 4    | 6    | 1    |      |      |
|                               | 55-59   | 28    | 2  | 1    | 5    | 2    | 6    | 0       | 4    | 1    | 1    |      |      |
|                               | 60-64   | 22    | 0  | 1    | 2    | 6    | 3    | 0       | 2    | 3    | 3    |      |      |
|                               | 65-69   | 24    | 1  | 0    | 3    | 4    | 2    | 0       | 4    | 1    | 5    | 2    |      |
|                               | 70-74   | 33    | 1  | 2    | 7    | 4    | 3    | 3       | 5    | 1    | 2    |      |      |
|                               | 75-79   | 37    | 2  | 1    | 7    | 3    | 5    | 3       |      | 8    | 1    |      |      |
|                               | 80-84   | 18    | 0  | 0    | 2    | 2    | 3    | 1       | 1    | 4    | 2    |      | _    |
|                               | 85-89   | 17    | 1  | 0    | 2    | 5    | 3    | 0       |      | 1    | 1    |      |      |
|                               | 90-94   | 11    | 0  | 1    | 0    | 2    | 3    | 0       | 2    | 1    | 0    |      | _    |
|                               | 95-99   | 1     | 0  | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0       |      | 0    | 0    |      |      |
|                               | 100+  | 1     | 0  | 0    | 0    | 1    | 0    | 0       | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | (    |

Table 1 (continued)

Characteristics of deaths from exposure to excessive natural heat occurring in Arizona by year, 1992-2002

| Observation in the   |            | T-4-1 |      |      |      |      | Yea  | ar of de | ath  |      |      |      |      |
|----------------------|------------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|----------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Characteristic       |            | Total | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997     | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 |
| County of occurrence | Apache     | 4     | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 3    | 0        | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 1    |
|                      | Cochise    | 15    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 3    | 2        | 1    | 0    | 3    | 4    | 2    |
|                      | Coconino   | 8     | 0    | 0    | 1    | 1    | 3    | 0        | 0    | 2    | 1    | 0    | 0    |
|                      | Gila       | 1     | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 1    | 0        | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    |
|                      | Graham     | 1     | 0    | 0    | 0    | 1    | 0    | 0        | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    |
|                      | Maricopa   | 179   | 3    | 9    | 13   | 17   | 18   | 11       | 37   | 23   | 11   | 10   | 27   |
|                      | Mohave     | 36    | 1    | 1    | 6    | 2    | 5    | 1        | 10   | 0    | 5    | 3    | 2    |
|                      | Navajo     | 3     | 0    | 0    | 1    | 0    | 0    | 0        | 0    | 2    | 0    | 0    | 0    |
|                      | Pima       | 200   | 2    | 5    | 10   | 12   | 7    | 4        | 11   | 11   | 26   | 37   | 75   |
|                      | Pinal      | 23    | 1    | 2    | 7    | 5    | 1    | 1        | 0    | 0    | 1    | 2    | 3    |
|                      | Santa Cruz | 6     | 0    | 0    | 0    | 1    | 0    | 0        | 1    | 0    | 2    | 1    | 1    |
|                      | Yavapai    | 7     | 0    | 0    | 1    | 1    | 4    | 0        | 0    | 1    | 0    | 0    | 0    |
|                      | Yuma       | 74    | 3    | 1    | 3    | 9    | 6    | 3        | 11   | 17   | 7    | 6    | 8    |
|                      | La Paz     | 13    | 0    | 1    | 3    | 1    | 3    | 1        | 3    | 1    | 0    | 0    | 0    |
| Month of occurrence  | JAN        | 1     | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 1    | 0        | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    |
|                      | FEB        | 2     | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0        | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 2    |
|                      | MARCH      | 2     | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0        | 0    | 1    | 1    | 0    | 0    |
|                      | APRIL      | 9     | 1    | 0    | 1    | 0    | 0    | 0        | 0    | 0    | 2    | 0    | 5    |
|                      | MAY        | 43    | 0    | 1    | 4    | 1    | 4    | 1        | 0    | 1    | 11   | 14   | 6    |
|                      | JUNE       | 131   | 0    | 6    | 13   | 2    | 15   | 2        | 7    | 17   | 15   | 17   | 37   |
|                      | JULY       | 195   | 5    | 5    | 18   | 24   | 22   | 8        | 33   | 18   | 16   | 16   | 30   |
|                      | AUG        | 124   | 4    | 7    | 6    | 19   | 8    | 8        | 26   | 10   | 7    | 7    | 22   |
|                      | SEPT       | 53    | 0    | 0    | 3    | 2    | 3    | 4        | 8    | 5    | 3    | 8    | 17   |
|                      | ОСТ        | 6     | 0    | 0    | 0    | 2    | 0    | 0        | 0    | 4    | 0    | 0    | 0    |
|                      | NOV        | 2     | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0        | 0    | 0    | 1    | 1    | 0    |
|                      | DEC        | 2     | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 1    | 0        | 0    | 1    | 0    | 0    | 0    |
| Autopsy performed    | No         | 189   | 3    | 5    | 18   | 25   | 27   | 6        | 24   | 23   | 18   | 13   | 27   |
|                      | Yes        | 381   | 7    | 14   | 27   | 25   | 27   | 17       | 50   | 34   | 38   | 50   | 92   |

Table 2

Characteristics of Arizona deaths from exposure to excessive natural heat by residence status, eleven-year summary for 1992-2002

|                   |                          |       | State or | country of res                   | idence   |
|-------------------|--------------------------|-------|----------|----------------------------------|--|
| Characteristics   |                          | Total | Arizona  | Other U.S.<br>state or<br>Canada | Mexico/Other<br>Central or<br>South<br>American<br>country |
| Total             |                          | 570   | 315      | 41                               | 214  |
| Year of death     | 1992                     | 10    | 8        | 2                                | 0  |
|                   | 1993                     | 19    | 15       | 3                                | 1  |
|                   | 1994                     | 45    | 40       | 4                                | 1  |
|                   | 1995                     | 50    | 47       | 1                                | 2  |
|                   | 1996                     | 54    | 35       | 9                                | 10   |
|                   | 1997                     | 23    | 19       | 0                                | 4  |
|                   | 1998                     | 74    | 49       | 12                               | 13   |
|                   | 1999                     | 57    | 30       | 4                                | 23   |
|                   | 2000                     | 56    | 21       | 0                                | 35   |
|                   | 2001                     | 63    | 17       | 1                                | 45   |
|                   | 2002                     | 119   | 34       | 5                                | 80   |
| Gender            | Male                     | 412   | 236      | 30                               | 146  |
|                   | Female                   | 158   | 79       | 11                               | 68   |
| Race/ethnic group | White non-Hispanic       | 246   | 222      | 23                               | 1  |
|                   | Hispanic                 | 259   | 49       | 14                               | 196  |
|                   | Black                    | 17    | 15       | 2                                | 0  |
|                   | American Indian          | 28    | 26       | 40                               | 0  |
|                   | Asian                    | 2     | 2        | 0                                | 0  |
|                   | Undetermined             | 18    | 1        | 0                                | 17   |
| Age group         | Infants <1               | 1     | 1        | 0                                | 0  |
|                   | Children 1-14            | 10    | 6        | 1                                | 3  |
|                   | Adolescents 15-19        | 30    | 5        | 2                                | 23   |
|                   | Young adults 20-44       | 231   | 76       | 16                               | 139  |
|                   | Middle-aged adults 45-64 | 130   | 95       | 12                               | 23   |
|                   | Elderly 65+              | 142   | 130      | 10                               | 2  |
|                   | Unknown                  | 26    | 2        | 0                                | 24   |

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Table 2

Characteristics of Arizona deaths from exposure to excessive natural heat by residence status, eleven-year summary for 1992-2002

|                      |                           |       | State or country of residence |                                  |  |  |  |
|----------------------|---------------------------|-------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Characteristics      |                           | Total | Arizona                       | Other U.S.<br>state or<br>Canada | Mexico/Other<br>Central or<br>South<br>American<br>country |  |  |
| Occurrence of death* | Border counties           | 295   | 83                            | 13                               | 199  |  |  |
|                      | Central Arizona counties  | 224   | 190                           | 19                               | 15   |  |  |
| _                    | Northern Arizona counties | 51    | 42                            | 9                                | 0  |  |  |
| Month of death       | JAN                       | 1     | 1                             | 0                                | 0  |  |  |
|                      | FEB                       | 2     | 2                             | 0                                | 0  |  |  |
|                      | MARCH                     | 2     | 1                             | 0                                | 1  |  |  |
|                      | APRIL                     | 9     | 2                             | 1                                | 6  |  |  |
|                      | MAY                       | 43    | 11                            | 3                                | 29   |  |  |
|                      | JUNE                      | 131   | 62                            | 11                               | 58   |  |  |
|                      | JULY                      | 195   | 134                           | 13                               | 48   |  |  |
|                      | AUG                       | 124   | 80                            | 12                               | 32   |  |  |
|                      | SEPT                      | 53    | 20                            | 1                                | 32   |  |  |
|                      | ОСТ                       | 6     | 1                             | 0                                | 5  |  |  |
|                      | NOV                       | 2     | 0                             | 0                                | 2  |  |  |
|                      | DEC                       | 2     | 1                             | 0                                | 1  |  |  |
| Autopsy performed    | No                        | 189   | 131                           | 11                               | 47   |  |  |
|                      | Yes                       | 381   | 184                           | 30                               | 167  |  |  |

 <sup>\*</sup> Border counties: Cochise, Pima, Santa Cruz and Yuma.
 Central Arizona counties: Gila, Graham, La Paz, Maricopa, Pinal and Yavapai.
 Northern Arizona counties: Apache, Coconino, Greenlee, Mohave and Navajo.

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Table 3
Characteristics of Arizona deaths from exposure to excessive natural heat by region, eleven-year summary for 1992-2002

|                               |   | Total | Border<br>counties | Central<br>Arizona<br>counties | Northern<br>Arizona<br>counties |
|-------------------------------|---|-------|--------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Total                         |   | 570   | 295                | 224                            | 51                              |
| Year of death                 | 1992  | 10    | 5                  | 4                              | 1                               |
|                               | 1993  | 19    | 6                  | 12                             | 1                               |
|                               | 1994  | 45    | 13                 | 24                             | 8                               |
|                               | 1995  | 50    | 22                 | 25                             | 3                               |
|                               | 1996  | 54    | 16                 | 27                             | 11                              |
|                               | 1997  | 23    | 9                  | 13                             | 1                               |
|                               | 1998  | 74    | 24                 | 40                             | 10                              |
|                               | 1999  | 57    | 28                 | 25                             | 4                               |
|                               | 2000  | 56    | 38                 | 12                             | 6                               |
|                               | 2001  | 63    | 48                 | 12                             | 3                               |
|                               | 2002  | 119   | 86                 | 30                             | 3                               |
| Gender                        | Male  | 412   | 202                | 174                            | 36                              |
|                               | Female  | 158   | 93                 | 50                             | 15                              |
| Race/ethnic group             | White non-Hispanic                                | 246   | 58                 | 151                            | 37                              |
| ace/ethnic group              | Hispanic  | 259   | 210                | 47                             | 2                               |
|                               | Black   | 17    | 7                  | 10                             | 0                               |
|                               | American Indian                                   | 28    | 6                  | 10                             | 12                              |
|                               | Asian   | 2     | 0                  | 2                              | 0                               |
|                               | Undetermined                                      | 18    | 14                 | 4                              | 0                               |
| Age group                     | Infants <1  | 1     | 0                  | 1                              | 0                               |
|                               | Children 1-14                                     | 10    | 5                  | 4                              | 1                               |
|                               | Adolescents 15-19                                 | 30    | 22                 | 6                              | 2                               |
|                               | Young adults 20-44                                | 231   | 153                | 69                             | 9                               |
|                               | Middle-aged adults 45-64                          | 130   | 47                 | 64                             | 19                              |
|                               | Elderly 65+                                       | 142   | 46                 | 76                             | 20                              |
|                               | Unknown   | 26    | 22                 | 4                              | 0                               |
| State or country of residence | Arizona   | 315   | 83                 | 190                            | 42                              |
|                               | Other U.S. state or Canada                        | 41    | 13                 | 19                             | 9                               |
|                               | Mexico/Other Central or South<br>American country | 214   | 199                | 15                             | 0                               |

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TABLE 3 (CONTINUED) CHARACTERISTICS OF ARIZONA DEATHS FROM EXPOSURE TO EXCESSIVE NATURAL HEAT BY REGION, ELEVEN-YEAR SUMMARY FOR 1992-2002

|                   |       | Total | Border counties | Central<br>Arizona<br>counties | Northern<br>Arizona<br>counties |
|-------------------|-------|-------|-----------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Month of death    | JAN   | 1     | 0               | 0                              | 1                               |
|                   | FEB   | 2     | 1               | 0                              | 1                               |
|                   | MARCH | 2     | 1               | 1                              | 0                               |
|                   | APRIL | 9     | 6               | 3                              | 0                               |
|                   | MAY   | 43    | 33              | 7                              | 3                               |
|                   | JUNE  | 131   | 79              | 40                             | 12                              |
|                   | JULY  | 195   | 74              | 108                            | 13                              |
|                   | AUG   | 124   | 54              | 53                             | 17                              |
|                   | SEPT  | 53    | 39              | 11                             | 3                               |
|                   | ОСТ   | 6     | 5               | 0                              | 1                               |
|                   | NOV   | 2     | 2               | 0                              | 0                               |
|                   | DEC   | 2     | 1               | 1                              | 0                               |
| Autopsy performed | No    | 189   | 80              | 79                             | 30                              |
|                   | Yes   | 381   | 215             | 145                            | 21                              |

Border counties: Cochise, Pima, Santa Cruz and Yuma.

Central Arizona counties: Gila, Graham, La Paz, Maricopa, Pinal, Yavapai.
Northern Arizona counties: Apache, Coconino, Greenlee, Mohave and Navajo.

Table 4

Deaths from Exposure to Excessive Natural Heat of the Eighty Migrants to Arizona in 2002:

Case Summaries

| Case<br>Number | Place of injury as entered on the death certificate 1        | City of death     | County of death | Condition causing death as entered on the death certificate <sup>2</sup> | Underlying cause of death (ICD-10 code) 3 | Month of death |
|----------------|--|-------------------|-----------------|--|---|----------------|
| 1              | 5/10 M N OF 10 M E 191, RUCKER<br>CANYON DR, ELFRIDA, AZ     | ELFRIDA           | COCHISE         | EXPOSURE TO ELEMENTS   | X30                                       | APRIL          |
| 2              | E OF MP31, HWY 191, ELFRIDA, AZ                              | DOUGLAS           | COCHISE         | THERMAL REGULATORY FAILURE   | X30                                       | APRIL          |
| 3              | N 32.33.297/W112.50.932, GILA BEND<br>AZ                     | GILA BEND         | MARICOPA        | HYPERTHERMIA AND DEHYDRATION   | X30                                       | JULY           |
| 4              | HIGHWAY 86/MILEPOST 59, AJO, AZ                              | PHOENIX           | MARICOPA        | COMPLICATIONS OF<br>HYPERTHERMIA   | X30                                       | MAY            |
| 5              | SR 86 MP 120.5 LITTLE TUCSON<br>VILLAGE, AZ                  | LITTLE TUCSON     | PIMA            | HEAT STROKE  | X30                                       | SEPT           |
| 6              | SR 86 MP 124 (100 WEST), SELLS,<br>ARIZONA                   | SELLS             | PIMA            | PROBABLE HYPERTHERMIA  | X30                                       | SEPT           |
| 7              | 2/3 MI E/O ST RT 85 MP 60 WHY AZ                             | WHY               | PIMA            | PROBABLE HEAT STROKE   | X30                                       | SEPT           |
| 8              | 6 MILES EAST OF FR 19, SELLS AZ                              | SELLS             | PIMA            | HYPERTHERMIA &<br>POSSIBLE DEHYDRATION                                   | X30                                       | SEPT           |
| 9              | FR 161 1.1 MI S/O WATER TANK,<br>LITTLE TUCSON VILLAGE       | LITTLE TUCSON     | PIMA            | HYPERTHERMIA & POSSIBLE DEHYDRATION                                      | X30                                       | SEPT           |
| 10             | 1 MI SOUTH SR 86 MP 103, SELLS,<br>ARIZONA                   | SELLS             | PIMA            | HEAT STROKE  | X30                                       | SEPT           |
| 11             | 2 1/2 MILES W/O ST RT 286 MP 31,<br>TUCSON, ARIZONA          | TUCSON            | PIMA            | PROBABLE HYPERTHERMIA  | X30                                       | SEPT           |
| 12             | UNKNOWN  | SAN MIGUEL        | PIMA            | PROBABLE HYPERTHERMIA  | X30                                       | APRIL          |
| 13             | 1 MI S/O SR 86 MP 103, SELLS AZ                              | SELLS             | PIMA            | HEAT STROKE  | X30                                       | SEPT           |
| 14             | 8 MI N 15 MI E OF FR 10 AND FR 9,<br>FRESNAL CANYON, ARIZONA | FRESNAL<br>CANYON | PIMA            | HEAT STROKE  | X30                                       | SEPT           |
| 15             | UNKNOWN AJO, ARIZONA   | AJO               | PIMA            | PROBABLE HYPERTHERMIA  | X30                                       | MAY            |

| Case<br>Number | Place of injury as entered on the death certificate 1    | City of death | County of death | Condition causing death as entered on the death certificate <sup>2</sup> | Underlying<br>cause of death<br>(ICD-10 code) 3 | Month<br>of<br>death |
|----------------|--|---------------|-----------------|--|---|----------------------|
| 16             | 7 MILE S.SR 86 MP 126.8 SELLS,<br>ARIZONA                | SELLS         | PIMA            | PROBABLE HEAT STROKE   | X30   | MAY                  |
| 17             | 1.5 MILE S. SR 86 MP 126.8 SELLS,<br>ARIZONA             | SELLS         | PIMA            | HEAT STROKE  | X30   | MAY                  |
| 18             | AVE 5E CTY 24TH ST                                       | YUMA          | YUMA            | HEAT EXPOSURE  | X30   | JUNE                 |
| 19             | AVE 11 3/4 AT COUNTY 14 1/2 E                            | YUMA          | YUMA            | EXPOSURE TO ELEMENTS   | X30   | JUNE                 |
| 20             | 1.6 MILES S OF LITTLE TUCSON VLG<br>(AL CUKSON) SELLS AZ | SELLS         | PIMA            | PROBABLE HYPERTHERMIA<br>WITH DEHYDRATION                                | X30   | MAY                  |
| 21             | DESERT SE OF YUMA, YUMA, AZ                              | YUMA          | YUMA            | EXPOSURE TO ELEMENTS   | X30   | JUNE                 |
| 22             | E/O ST RT 85 MP 61 WHY ARIZONA                           | WHY           | PIMA            | PROBABLE HYPERTHERMIA  | X30   | SEPT                 |
| 23             | FED RT 35 MP 7.0, SELLS, ARIZONA                         | SELLS         | PIMA            | PROBABLE HYPERTHERMIA  | X30   | SEPT                 |
| 24             | 2.5 MI S/O FR 19 MP 19 TOPAWA<br>VILLIAGE, AZ            | TOPAWA        | PIMA            | PROBABLE HYPERTHERMIA  | X30   | SEPT                 |
| 25             | UNKNOWN, UNKNOWN,  | PHOENIX       | MARICOPA        | FINDINGS CONSISTENT<br>WITH DEHYDRATION<br>ELECTROLYTE IMBALANCE         | X30   | JUNE                 |
| 26             | 2 MILES SOUTH OF STATE ROUTE 86,<br>MP 126.5, SELLS      | SELLS         | PIMA            | PROBABLE HYPERTHERMIA<br>AND DEHYDRATION                                 | X30   | JUNE                 |
| 27             | STATE ROUTE 86 MP 74, SELLS                              | SELLS         | PIMA            | PROBABLE HYPERTHERMIA<br>AND DEHYDRATION                                 | X30   | JUNE                 |
| 28             | 8 MILES SOUTH OF STATE ROUTE 86,<br>MP 73.6, SELLS       | SELLS         | PIMA            | PROBABLE HYPERTHERMIA<br>AND DEHYDRATION                                 | X30   | JUNE                 |
| 29             | 3.6 MILES NORTH / FEDERAL ROUTE<br>19, MP 17, SELLS      | SELLS         | PIMA            | PROBABLE HYPERTHERMIA<br>AND DEHYDRATION                                 | X30   | JUNE                 |

| Case<br>Number | Place of injury as entered on the death certificate 1     | City of death        | County of death | Condition causing death as entered on the death certificate <sup>2</sup> | Underlying cause of death (ICD-10 code) 3 | Month<br>of<br>death |
|----------------|---|----------------------|-----------------|--|---|----------------------|
| 30             | 3.6 MILES NORTH / FEDERAL ROUTE<br>19, MP 17, SELLS       | SELLS                | PIMA            | PROBABLE HYPERTHERMIA<br>AND DEHYDRATION                                 | X30                                       | JUNE                 |
| 31             | GAS LINE RD, MP 55 HICKIWAN VLG,<br>ARIZONA               | HICKIWAN VLG         | PIMA            | PROBABLE HYPERTHERMIA  | X30                                       | JUNE                 |
| 32             | 6 MILES WEST SILVERBELL MINE,<br>TUCSON                   | TUCSON               | PIMA            | PROBABLE HYPERTHERMIA  | X30                                       | JUNE                 |
| 33             | 5 MILES NW OF ST RT 86, MP 7 SELLS,<br>ARIZONA            | SELLS                | PIMA            | HYPERTHERMIA AND PROBABLE DEHYDRATION                                    | X30                                       | JUNE                 |
| 34             | 2.5 MILES SW OF MP 126.5, HWY 86, SELLS, AZ               | SELLS                | PIMA            | PROBABLE HYPERTHERMIA<br>AND DEHYDRATION                                 | X30                                       | JUNE                 |
| 35             | UNKNOWN SELLS, ARIZONA                                    | TUCSON               | PIMA            | HYPERTHERMIA   | X30                                       | JUNE                 |
| 36             | GPS 32-19.447 N 113 01.148W AJO,<br>ARIZONA               | AJO                  | PIMA            | HEAT STROKE  | X30                                       | JUNE                 |
| 37             | 32 DEGREES BY 10.75 N 43212W<br>TUCSON, ARIZONA           | TUCSON               | PIMA            | PROBABLE HYPERTHERMIA  | X30                                       | JUNE                 |
| 38             | UNKNOWN   | TUCSON               | PIMA            | COMPLICATIONS OF<br>HYPERTHERMIA WITH<br>DEHYDRATION                     | X30                                       | JUNE                 |
| 39             | 9 MI. N. SAN PEDRO VILLAGE SAN<br>PEDRO VILLAGE, ARIZONA  | SAN PEDRO<br>VILLAGE | PIMA            | PROBABLE HEAT STROKE   | X30                                       | JUNE                 |
| 40             | 4 MILES NORTH OF STATE RTE 86, MP<br>136.5, SAN PEDRO VLG | SAN PEDRO<br>VILLAGE | PIMA            | PROBABLE HYPERTHERMIA<br>AND DEHYDRATION                                 | X30                                       | JUNE                 |
| 41             | UNKNOWN   | SELLS                | PIMA            | PROBABLE HYPERTHERMIA<br>AND DEHYDRATION                                 | X30                                       | JUNE                 |
| 42             | N32.00664; W111.55.768 SELLS,<br>ARIZONA                  | SELLS                | PIMA            | PROBABLE HYPERTHERMIA  | X30                                       | JUNE                 |

| Case<br>Number | Place of injury as entered on the death certificate 1     | City of death         | County of death | Condition causing death as entered on the death certificate <sup>2</sup> | Underlying cause of death (ICD-10 code) <sup>3</sup> | Month of death |
|----------------|---|-----------------------|-----------------|--|--|----------------|
| 43             | UNKNOWN   | THREE POINTS          | PIMA            | PROBABLE HYPERTHERMIA<br>AND DEHYDRATION                                 | X30  | JUNE           |
| 44             | 4 MILES S/O ST RT 86 MP 126.5 SELLS,<br>ARIZONA           | SELLS                 | PIMA            | PROBABLE HYPERTHERMIA<br>AND DEHYDRATION                                 | X30  | JULY           |
| 45             | 1.5 MILES SOUTHWEST OF SAN<br>MIGUEL VLG, SAN MIGUEL VL   | SAN MIGUEL<br>VILLAGE | PIMA            | PROBABLE HYPERTHERMIA<br>AND DEHYDRATION                                 | X30  | JUNE           |
| 46             | 1.5 MILES S/W OF LITTLE TUCSON,<br>LITTLE TUCSON, ARIZONA | LITTLE TUCSON         | PIMA            | PROBABLY HYPERTHERMIA<br>WITH DEHYDRATION                                | X30  | JUNE           |
| 47             | N 32, 22, 57 W 112, 51, 26 AJO<br>ARIZONA                 | AJO                   | PIMA            | PROBABLE HYPERTHERMIA  | X30  | JUNE           |
| 48             | 1.5 MI S/W OF SAN MIGUEL VILLAGE,<br>SAN MIGUEL VLG, AZ   | SAN MIGUEL<br>VLG     | PIMA            | PROBABLE HYPERTHERMIA WITH DEHYDRATION                                   | X30  | JUNE           |
| 49             | N 33 DEG 07.654/W 111DEG 27.342<br>FLORENCE, ARIZONA      | FLORENCE              | PINAL           | PROBABLE HYPERTHERMIA<br>AND DEHYDRATION                                 | X30  | JULY           |
| 50             | FR 20 MP 11.4 SELLS, ARIZONA                              | SELLS                 | PIMA            | PROBABLE HYPERTHERMIA  | X30  | JUNE           |
| 51             | UNKNOWN   | TUCSON                | PIMA            | COMPLICATIONS OF HYPERTHERMIA  | X30  | JULY           |
| 52             | 3 MILES SOUTHWEST / STATE ROUTE<br>286, MP 25, TUCSON     | TUCSON                | PIMA            | HEAT STROKE  | X30  | JULY           |
| 53             | 1 1/2 MI. EAST OF WATER TANK/FR<br>161, LITTLE TUCSON     | LITTLE TUCSON         | PIMA            | PROBABLE HYPERTHERMIA<br>AND DEHYDRATION                                 | X30  | JULY           |
| 54             | SR 86, MP 119.8 SELLS, ARIZONA                            | SELLS                 | PIMA            | PROBABLE HYPERTHERMIA  | X30  | JULY           |
| 55             | N 3149.069; W 11146.884, SELLS                            | SELLS                 | PIMA            | PROBABLE HYPERTHERMIA<br>AND DEHYDRATION                                 | X30  | JULY           |
| 56             | FR 19, MP 13 SELLS, ARIZONA                               | SELLS                 | PIMA            | PROBABLE HYPERTHERMIA  | X30  | JULY           |

| Case<br>Number | Place of injury as entered on the death certificate 1   | City of death        | County of death | Condition causing death as entered on the death certificate <sup>2</sup> | Underlying cause of death (ICD-10 code) 3 | Month<br>of<br>death |
|----------------|---|----------------------|-----------------|--|---|----------------------|
| 57             | N 3202.463; W 11238.199, SELLS                          | SELLS                | PIMA            | PROBABLE HYPERTHERMIA<br>AND DEHYDRATION                                 | X30                                       | JULY                 |
| 58             | SR 86 MP 120 SELLS, ARIZONA                             | SELLS                | PIMA            | PROBABLE HEAT STROKE   | X30                                       | JULY                 |
| 59             | 8 MILES S/O ST RT 86 MP 108 SELLS,<br>ARIZONA           | SELLS                | PIMA            | PROBABLE HYPERTHERMIA<br>AND DEHYDRATION                                 | X30                                       | JULY                 |
| 60             | 2 MILES SOUTHEAST OF COWLIC VLG,<br>ARIZONA             | COWLIC VLG           | PIMA            | PROBABLE HYPERTHERMIA<br>AND DEHYDRATION                                 | X30                                       | JULY                 |
| 61             | N31, 33, 33.0 W 111.47,0.36<br>SELLS, ARIZONA           | SELLS                | PIMA            | PROBABLE HEAT STROKE   | X30                                       | JULY                 |
| 62             | DESERT 7 MI. S/W COWLIC VILLAGE<br>COWLIC VILLAGE, ARIZ | COWLIC<br>VILLAGE    | PIMA            | HEAT STROKE  | X30                                       | AUG                  |
| 63             | EAST OF FR 19 MP 5, SAN MIGUEL<br>VILLAGE               | TUCSON               | PIMA            | COMPLICATIONS OF HYPERTHERMIA  | X30                                       | AUG                  |
| 64             | 1/10 MILE S/O END OF FR 161, LITTLE TUCSON              | LITTLE TUCSON        | PIMA            | HEAT STROKE  | X30                                       | AUG                  |
| 65             | DESERT AREA WEST OF VILL, BIG<br>FIELD VILLAGE, ARIZONA | BIG FIELD<br>VILLAGE | PIMA            | HEAT STROKE  | X30                                       | AUG                  |
| 66             | 1/4 MI. S/O MP 128 ON SR 86 SELLS,<br>ARIZONA           | SELLS                | PIMA            | PROBABLE HYPERTHERMIA  | X30                                       | AUG                  |
| 67             | ST RT 86 MP 126.5 SELLS, ARIZONA                        | SELLS                | PIMA            | PROBABLE HYPERTHERMIA WITH DEHYDRATION                                   | X30                                       | AUG                  |
| 68             | N32 14.357 W112.44.909 WHY,<br>ARIZONA                  | WHY                  | PIMA            | PROBABLE HEAT STROKE   | X30                                       | AUG                  |
| 69             | 4 MILES N OF VAMORI VILLAGE<br>VAMORI VILLAGE, ARIZONA  | VAMORI<br>VILLAGE    | PIMA            | PROBABLE HYPERTHERMIA WITH DEHYDRATION                                   | X30                                       | AUG                  |

# TABLE 4 (CONTINUED) DEATHS FROM EXPOSURE TO EXCESSIVE NATURAL HEAT OF THE EIGHTY MIGRANTS TO ARIZONA IN 2002: CASE SUMMARIES

| Case<br>Number | Place of injury as entered on the death certificate 1 | City of death | County of death | Condition causing death as entered on the death certificate <sup>2</sup> | Underlying cause of death (ICD-10 code) 3 | Month<br>of<br>death |
|----------------|---|---------------|-----------------|--|---|----------------------|
| 70             | 6 MILES W/O SR 86 & OLD TRADING<br>POST RD. SELLS, AZ | SELLS         | PIMA            | HEAT STROKE  | X30                                       | AUG                  |
| 71             | 17300 E HUNT HIGHWAY QUEEN<br>CREEK AZ                | QUEEN CREEK   | MARICOPA        | CONSISTENT WITH HEAT STROKE  | X30                                       | AUG                  |
| 72             | 2735 WEST SWEETWATER AVENUE,<br>PHOENIX               | PHOENIX       | MARICOPA        | COMPLICATIONS OF HYPERTHERMIA  | X30                                       | AUG                  |
| 73             | COUNTY ROAD 23 AND AVE C, YUMA, AZ                    | PHOENIX       | MARICOPA        | HYPERTHERMIA AND<br>DEHYDRATION  | X30                                       | AUG                  |
| 74             | AVE F CTY 23RD ST, SAN LUIS, AZ                       | SAN LUIS      | YUMA            | ENVIRONMENTAL (HEAT)<br>EXPOSURE AND<br>DEHYDRATION                      | X30                                       | SEPT                 |
| 75             | AVE E AND JUAN SANCHEZ BLVD SAN<br>LUIS AZ            | YUMA          | YUMA            | ENVIRONMENT HEAT<br>EXPOSURE WITH<br>DEHYDRATION                         | X30                                       | SEPT                 |
| 76             | 3 MI SW MP 55 ON SR 85 WHY,<br>ARIZONA                | WHY           | PIMA            | PROBABLE HEAT STROKE   | X30                                       | AUG                  |
| 77             | 3.3 MILES SW RT 86 MP 55.9 WHY,<br>ARIZONA            | WHY           | PIMA            | PROBABLE HEAT STROKE   | X30                                       | AUG                  |
| 78             | ST RT 86,1 MILE S/O MP 126,<br>SELLS, AZ              | SELLS         | PIMA            | PROBABLE HEAT STROKE   | X30                                       | JULY                 |
| 79             | 5 MILES S/O ARIVACA/SASABE RD<br>MP10, SASABE, AZ     | SASABE        | PIMA            | PROBABLE HEAT STROKE   | X30                                       | APRIL                |
| 80             | 4.6 MILES S/O OLD RUBY RD & SR 289<br>NOGALES, AZ     | NOGALES       | SANTA CRUZ      | PROBABLE HEAT STROKE   | X30                                       | SEPT                 |

Not available in the electronic mortality database prior to 2001.

The immediate cause of death

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The underlying (external) cause of death: exposure to excessive natural heat as the cause of heatstroke (sunstroke).