



City of Phoenix Weekly Heat Response Report September 14–20, 2026

Summary

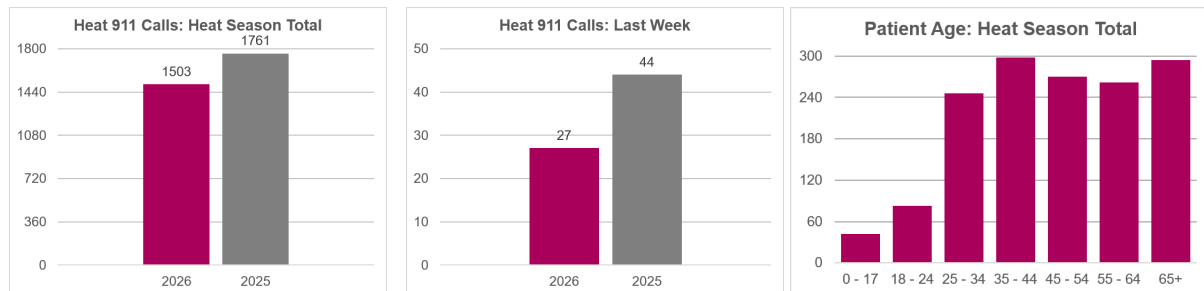
- Daily high temperatures fluctuated around the typical mid-September average of 100°F.
- Weekly visits to extended hour and overnight sites trended upward for the second straight week and reached the highest total reported since late July.
- Heat-related 911 calls dropped to the lowest level since late May.

At-a-Glance Key Indicators

	Heat-related 911 calls	Visits to extended hour and overnight heat relief sites	Referrals from extended hour and overnight heat relief sites
Report Week	27	3,459	18
Heat Season Total	1,503	62,077	1,448

Extended hour and overnight heat relief sites: 24/7 respite center at 20 West Jackson St., Cholla Library, Justa Center, and UMOM.

Heat-Related 911 Calls



Note: 911 call data are preliminary at the time of weekly reporting; weekly and seasonal totals are subject to change.

Phoenix Fire responded to 27 heat-related calls, which represents the lowest weekly total reported since late May. Areas east of downtown Phoenix and in Maryvale that have had higher call volumes this season showed a significant reduction during the reporting week.

Patient Location and Transport Information:

- Most common locations: roadways (9) and business (5)
- 17 patients (63%) were transported for additional care, including 6 to Banner-University.
- Cold water immersion was used 4 times for heat stroke patients (season total: 248).

Heat-Related Deaths

- 230 heat-related deaths have been confirmed in Maricopa County as of 9/19, with 115 of those cases occurring in Phoenix.
- 567 cases were under investigation in Maricopa County as of 9/19, compared to 382 at the same time last year.
- Of the cases reported countywide to date, 66% occurred outdoors, 55% involved substances, and 34% were among people experiencing homelessness.
- For more information: [Maricopa County Department of Public Health Dashboard](#)



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Weather Summary

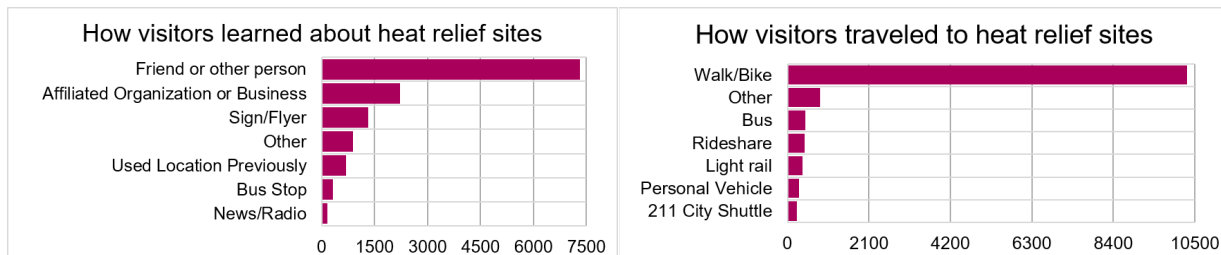
The reporting week had an average daily high temperature near the historical normal of 100°F, but considerable variability. Daily highs were as low as 90°F midweek and reached as high as 104°F over the weekend. There were no extreme heat warnings in effect.

Heat season to date (May 1–Sep 20)	2026	2025	Normal (1991-2020)
100°F+ days	116	114	102.6
110°F+ days	39	37	20.8

Extended Hour and Overnight Heat Relief Sites

Location	Visits: Report week	Visits: Heat season total	Referrals: Extended hour and overnight sites have provided 1,448 referrals to additional services this season, 93% of which were initiated at 20 W. Jackson St. Family Support: 270 families have received specialized heat relief support through UMOM.
20 W. Jackson St.	2,154	41,307	
Justa Center	1,268	20,054	
Cholla Library*	37	716	
TOTAL	3,459	62,077	

*Cholla Library counts are based on engagements with heat response staff and do not reflect all library visits.



City Program Reports

- **Homeless Solutions:** OHS Street Outreach staff engaged 189 individuals, and distributed water and heat relief supplies as needed. Additional heat-related street outreach activities are conducted by contractual partners.
- **Library:** Shared a successful outcome from a cooling center patron who progressed from homelessness to stable housing and employment over a 10-month period in which library staff created a welcoming environment and facilitated connections to key resources including computers, technical education books, and mental and behavioral health services.
- **Trailhead Heat Safety:** CERT volunteers distributed 192 water bottles and provided heat safety education at the Echo Canyon Trailhead on September 19.

Partner Updates and Announcements

- The end of the operational season for many Maricopa County Heat Relief Network Sites was September 30. Information about facilities available after October 1 for heat relief is available online: <https://hrn.azmag.gov/>