



# Rotorcraft Accident Dashboard

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### FY25: October-August

89

Total Accidents

▼1%

vs. Same Period, Previous FY

▼9%

vs. Same Period, 5 Year Average

18

Fatal Accidents

▲20%

vs. Same Period, Previous FY

▼1%

vs. Same Period, 5 Year Average

37

Fatalities

▲32%

vs. Same Period, Previous FY

▲6%

vs. Same Period, 5 Year Average

3.22

Accident Rate (per 100K hours)

▼3%

vs. Same Period, Previous FY

▼17%

vs. Same Period, 5 Year Average

0.65

Fatal Accident Rate (per 100K hours)

▲17%

vs. Same Period, Previous FY

▼9%

vs. Same Period, 5 Year Average

1.34

Fatality Rate (per 100K hours)

▲29%

vs. Same Period, Previous FY

▼3%

vs. Same Period, 5 Year Average

\*5 Year Average Rates are for reference, 5 year rates are not normally distributed.

### U.S. Registered Rotorcraft Event Counts

	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Grand Total
Total Accidents	7	8	4	4	10	11	5	3	8	11	18		89
Fatal Accidents	2	2	1	1	2	4	1	1	2	1	1		18
Fatalities	7	4	1	3	3	6	6	1	3	1	2		37

Same time period, previous FY:  
Accidents: **90**; Fatal Accidents: **15**; Fatalities: **28**.



### Estimated Rates by Month (per 100,000 flight hours)

	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Grand Total
Accident Rate	2.66	3.56	2.04	1.96	4.29	4.09	1.83	1.12	2.82	3.87	6.91		3.22
Fatal Accident Rate	0.76	0.89	0.51	0.49	0.86	1.49	0.37	0.37	0.71	0.35	0.38		0.65
Fatality Rate	2.66	1.78	0.51	1.47	1.29	2.23	2.20	0.37	1.06	0.35	0.77		1.34

Same time period, previous FY:  
Accident Rate: **3.33**; Fatal Accident Rate: **0.56**; Fatality Rate: **1.04**.



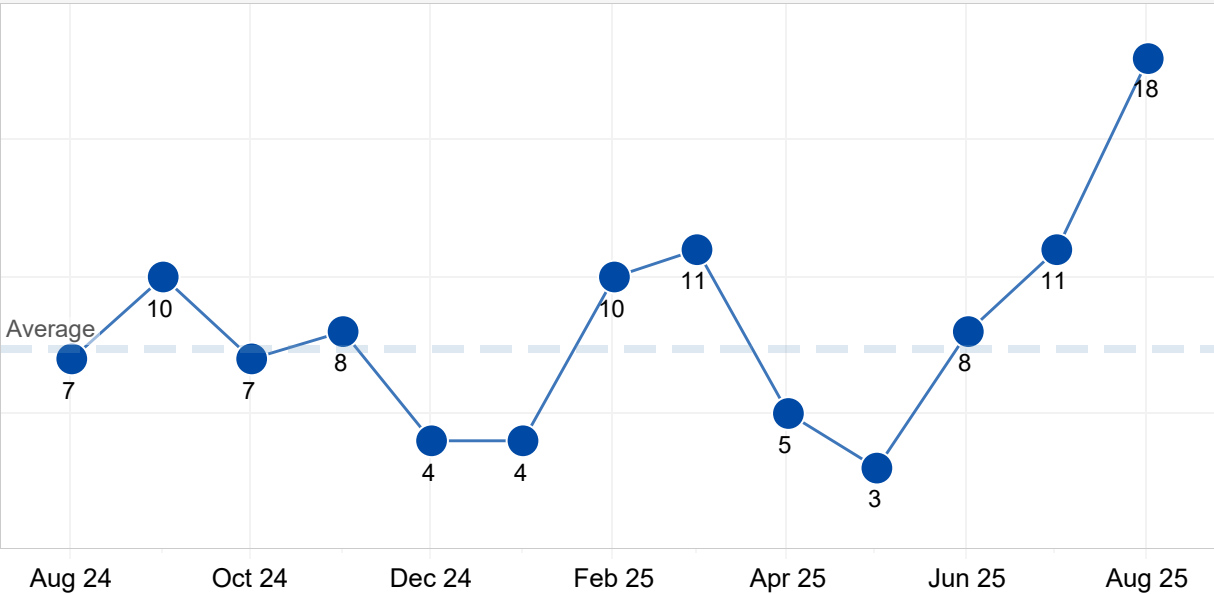
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vs. Same Month  
Previous Year:

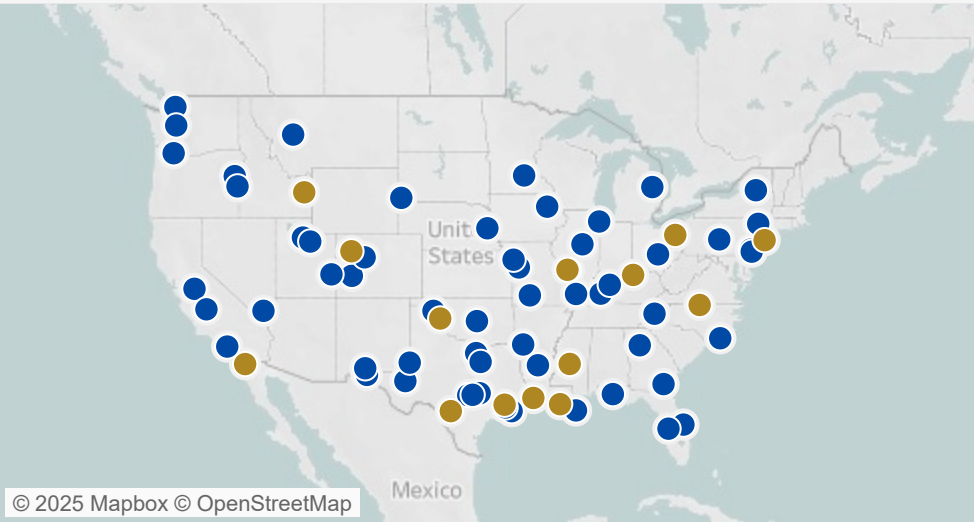
▲157%

vs. 12 Month  
Average:

▲145%



### Accident Details

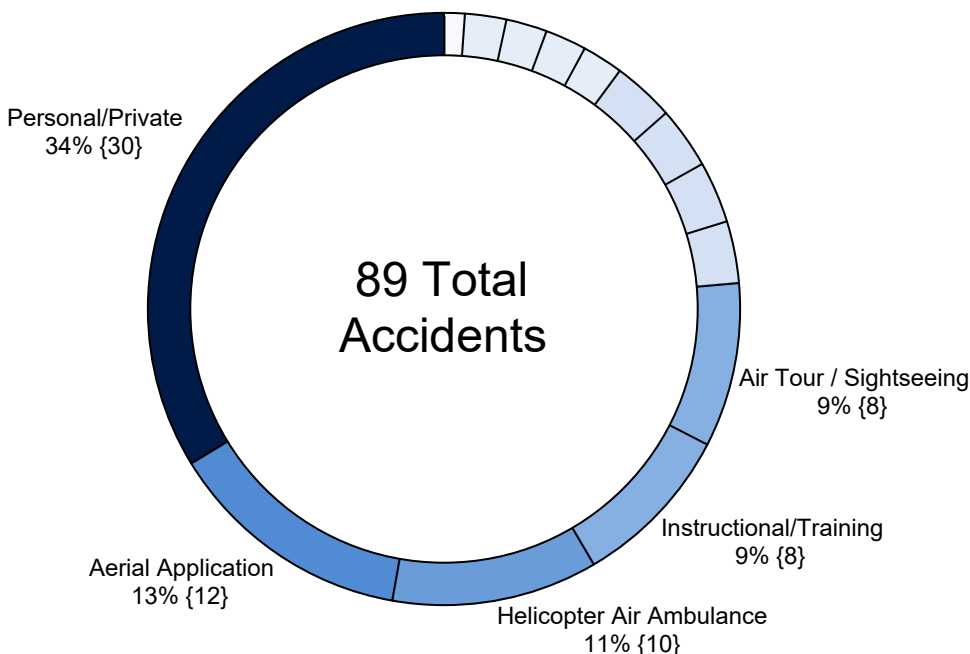


Map

Summary

### Accidents by Industry Sector

All Accidents

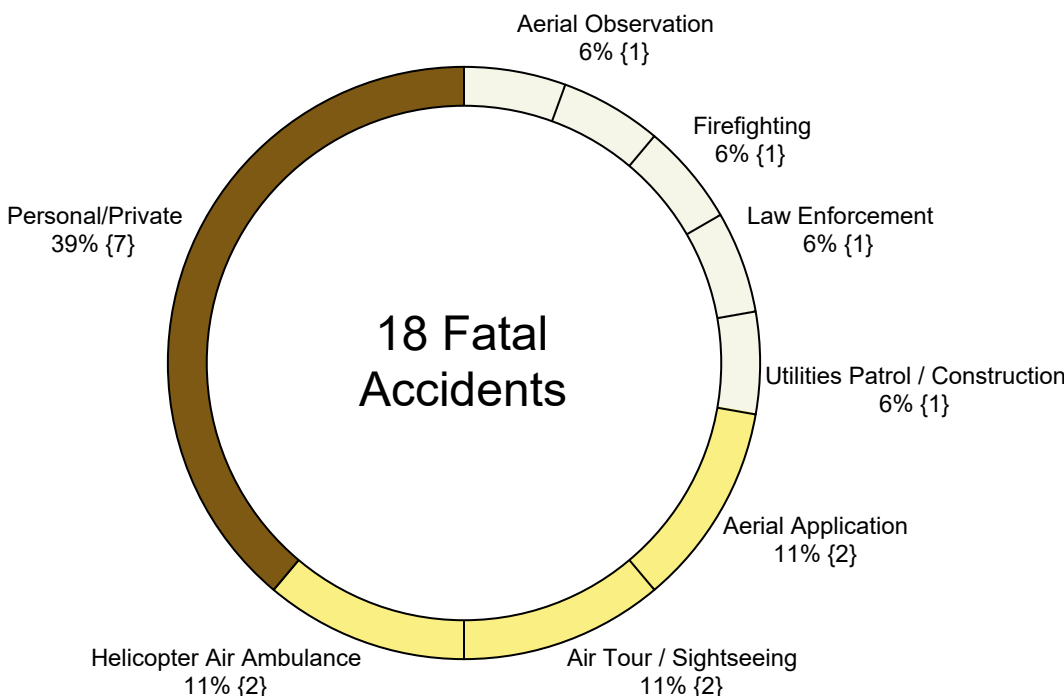


Utilities Patrol / Construction	1% {1}
Business	2% {2}
Commercial	2% {2}
Electronic News Gathering	2% {2}
Unknown	2% {2}
Aerial Observation	3% {3}
External Load	3% {3}
Firefighting	3% {3}
Law Enforcement	3% {3}
Air Tour / Sightseeing	9% {8}
Instructional/Training	9% {8}
Helicopter Air Ambulance	11% {10}
Aerial Application	13% {12}
Personal/Private	34% {30}

FY to Date

This Month

Fatal Accidents



Aerial Observation	6% {1}
Commercial	6% {1}
Firefighting	6% {1}
Law Enforcement	6% {1}
Utilities Patrol / Constructi..	6% {1}
Aerial Application	11% {2}
Air Tour / Sightseeing	11% {2}
Helicopter Air Ambulance	11% {2}
Personal/Private	39% {7}

FY to Date

This Month

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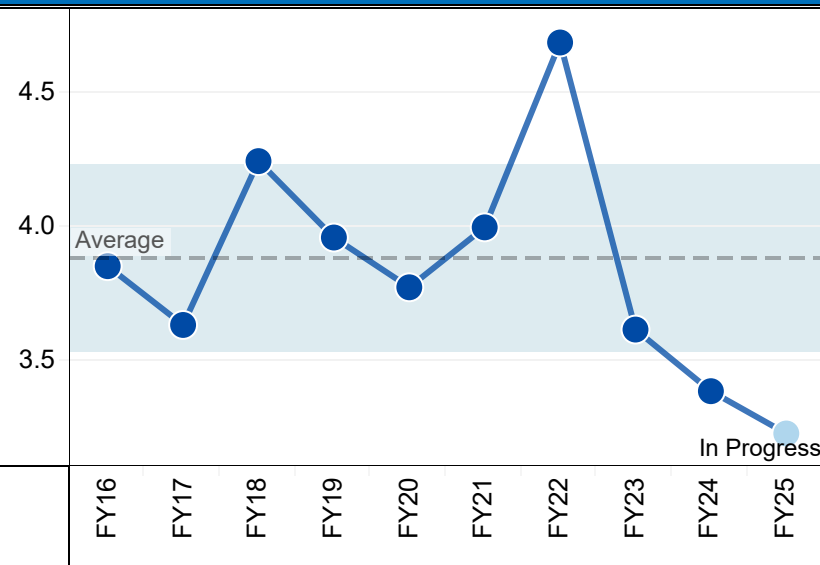
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### Estimated Rotorcraft Accident Rate by FY

10 Year Lookback - Rates per 100,000 Hours

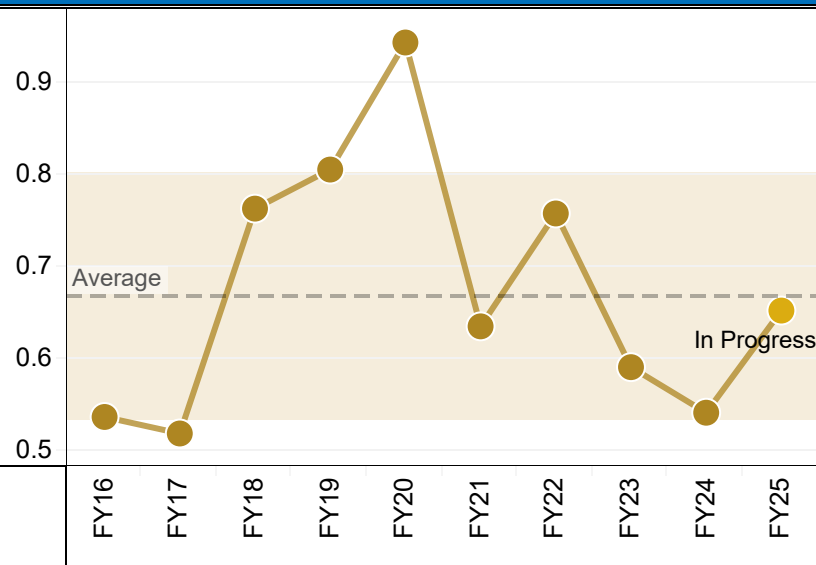


Accident Rates

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### Estimated Rotorcraft Fatal Rate by FY

10 Year Lookback - Rates per 100,000 Hours

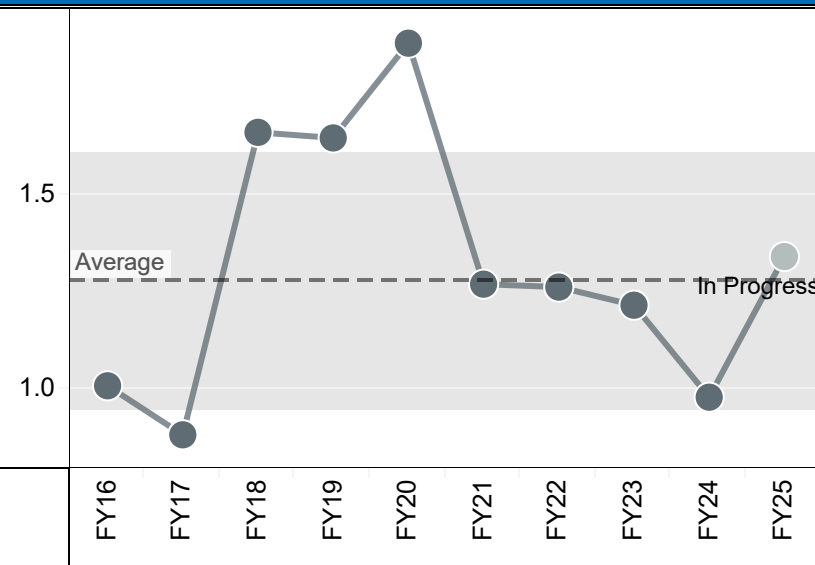


Fatal Rates

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### Estimated Rotorcraft Fatality Rate by FY

10 Year Lookback - Rates per 100,000 Hours



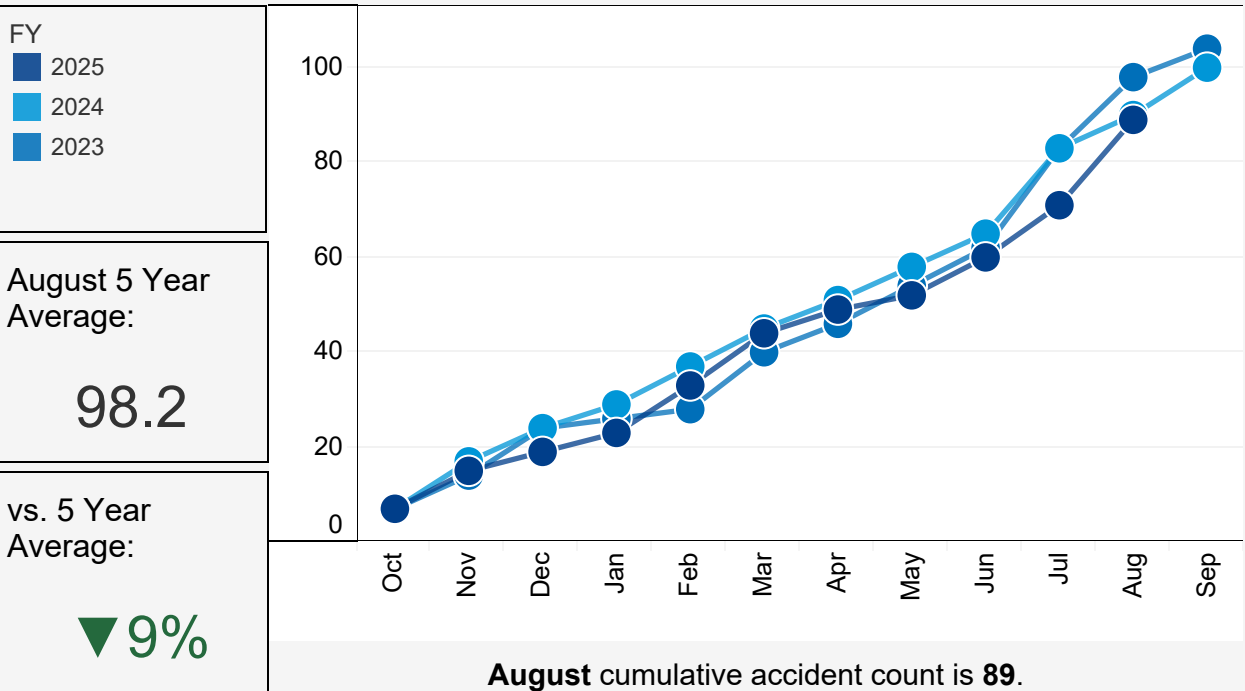
Fatality Rates

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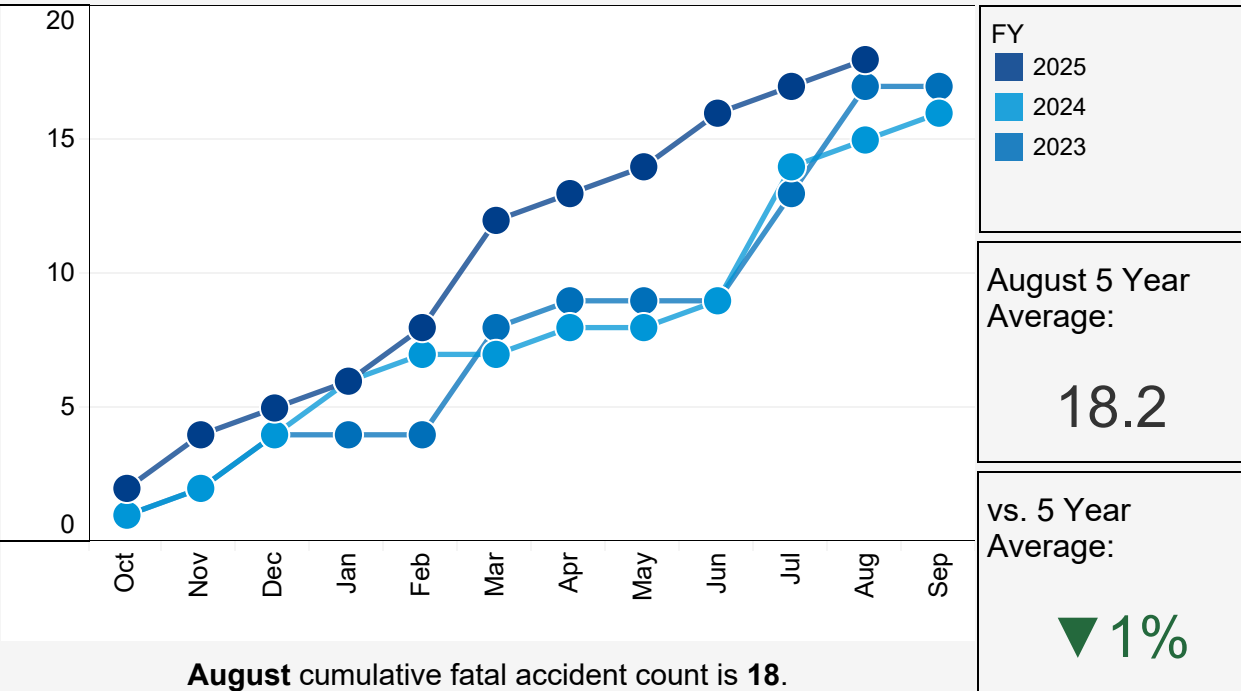
	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25
Accident Rate	3.85	3.63	4.25	3.96	3.77	4.00	4.69	3.61	3.38	3.22
Fatal Accident Rate	0.54	0.52	0.76	0.81	0.94	0.64	0.76	0.59	0.54	0.65
Fatality Rate	1.01	0.89	1.66	1.64	1.89	1.27	1.26	1.22	0.98	1.34

\*Average Rates and Standard Deviation Ranges are for reference, rates are not normally distributed.

### Cumulative Accident Count



### Cumulative Fatal Accident Count

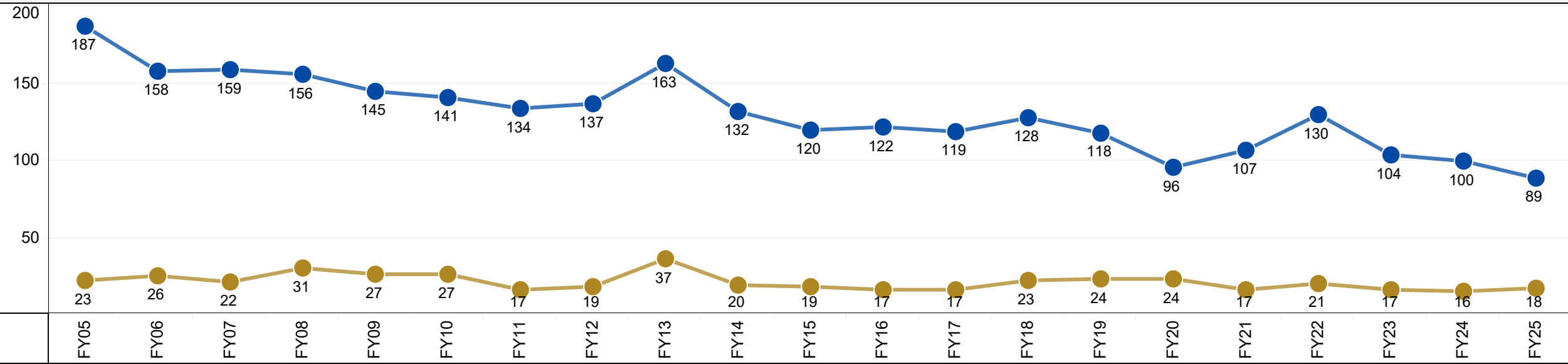


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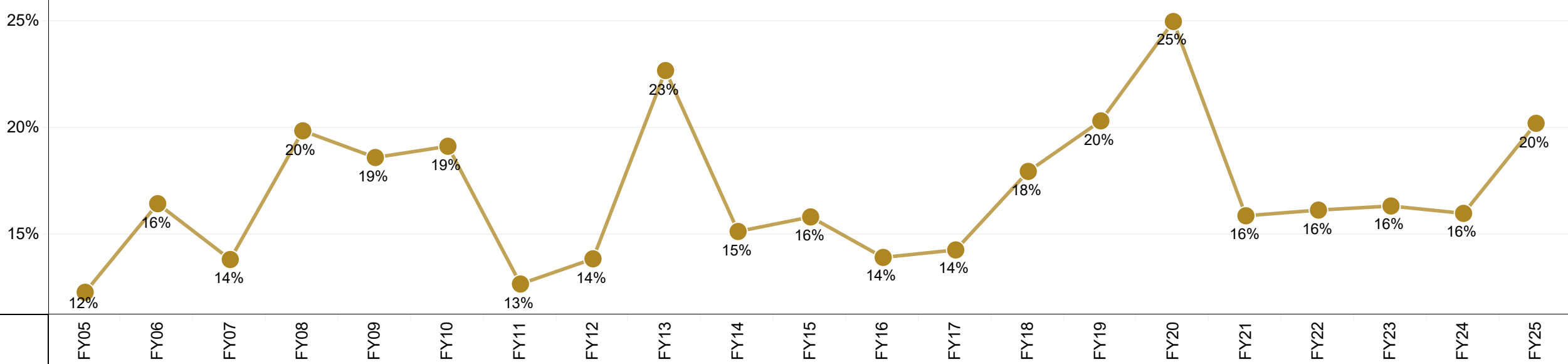
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### US Registered Rotorcraft Accidents by FY

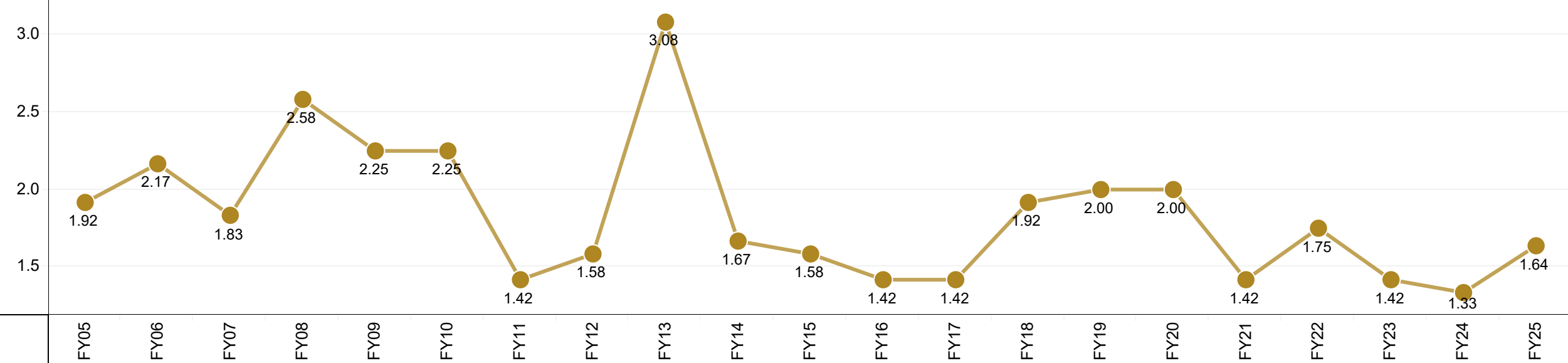
Fatal Accidents Total Accidents



### Percent of Rotorcraft Accidents with Fatality by FY



### Average Fatal Accidents/Month by FY



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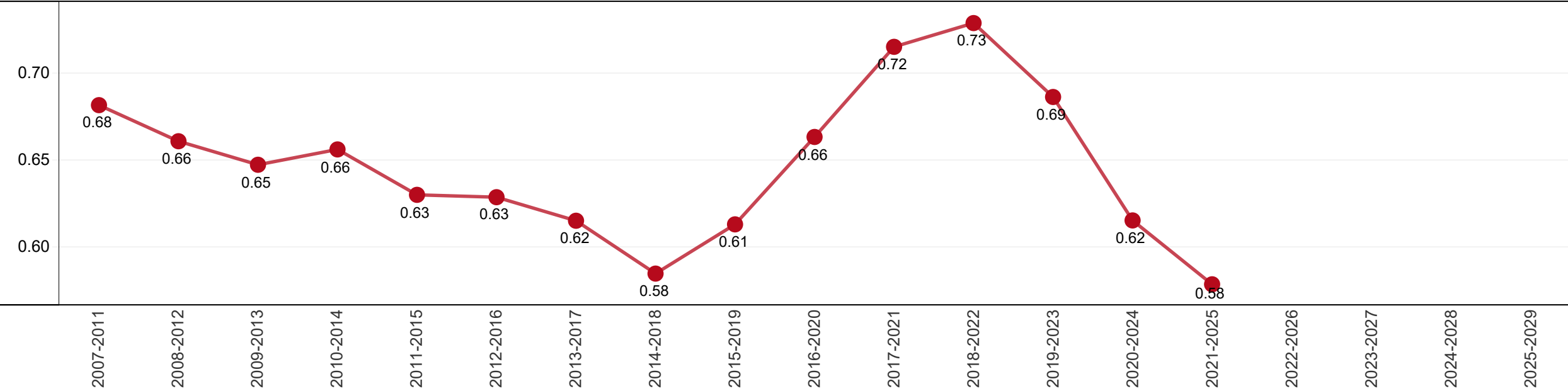
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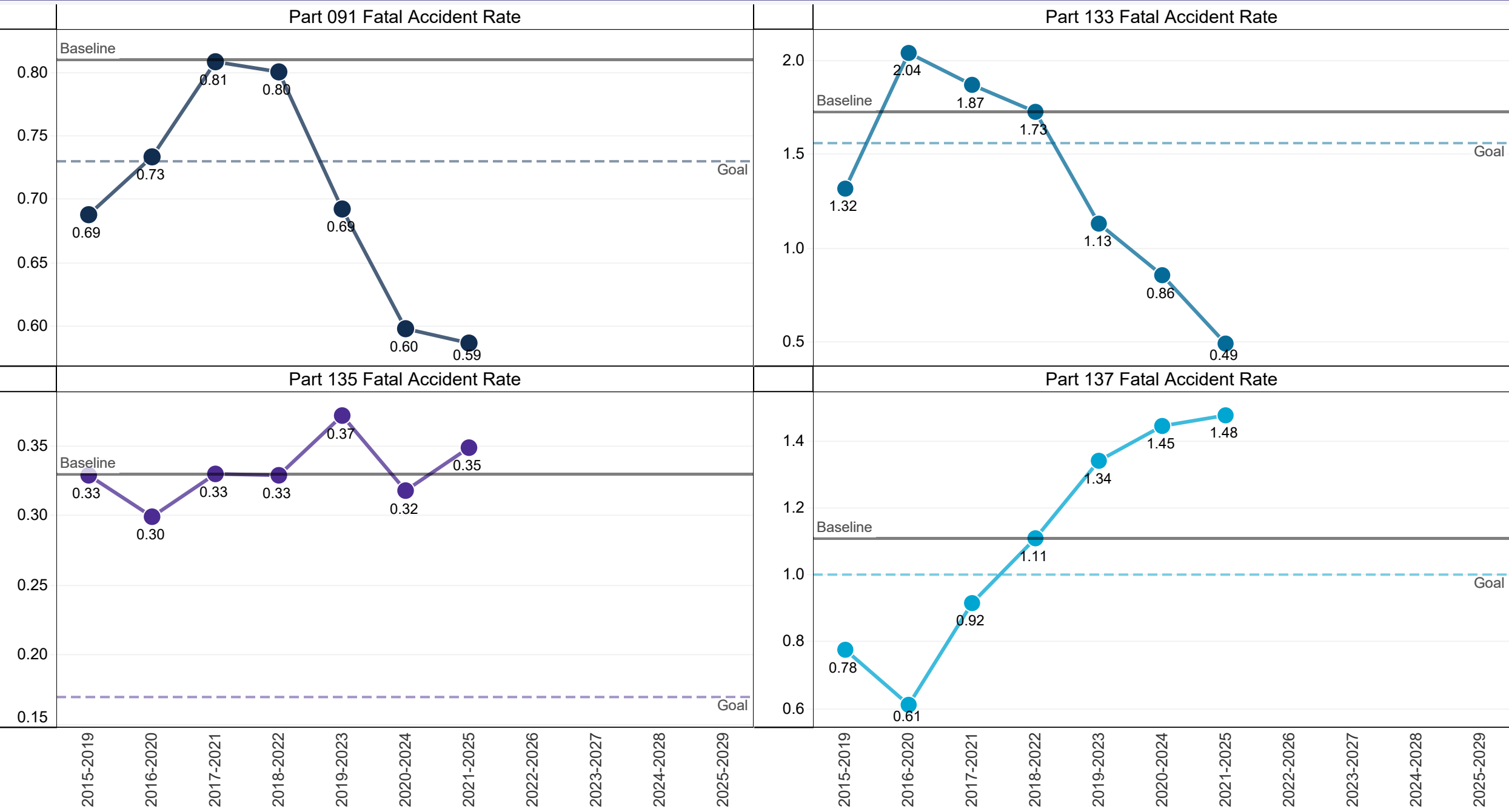
### Fatal Rate: 5 Year Average

Rates are based off of Calendar Year and per 100,000 Flight Hours



### Fatal Rate by Operational Part: 5 Year Average

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Airbus Helicopters

## U.S. Registered Rotorcraft Accidents FY25: October - August

Total Accidents

15% {13}



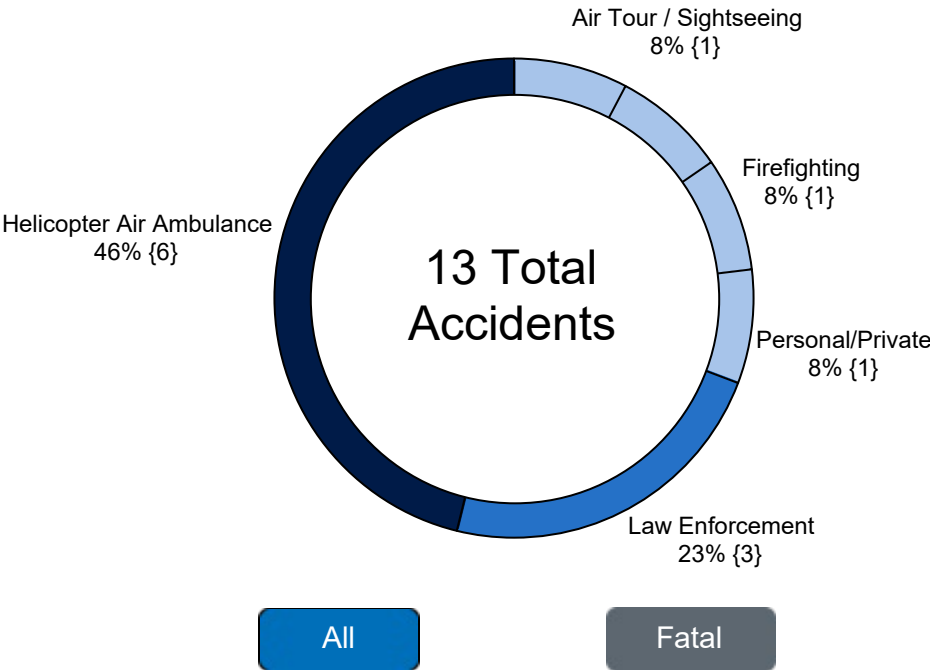
Fatal Accidents

17% {3}



Total Fatalities

14% {5}



### Fatal Accidents Brief Summary

NTSB: CEN25MA115	3/10/2025	- Airbus Helicopters EC135, N835CS, Part 135, Jackson, MS, 3 fatal - Helicopter Air Ambulance flight. Crew was repositioning the a/c back to base after patient transport to a hospital. - Flight nurse made a radio transmission about a major problem due to trouble with the controls that necessitated an emergency landing..
NTSB: WPR25FA062	12/16/2024	- Airbus Helicopters AS350, N617GC, Part 091, POTRERO, CA, 1 fatal - Law Enforcement public aircraft. - Last minute of flight, the ADS-B data noted S turns and a rapid descent. Crashed under unknown circumstances.
NTSB: GAA25WA031	11/22/2024	- Airbus Helicopters AS332, N368EV, Part 091, Hay, AU, 1 fatal - U.S. registered firefighting a/c operating in Australia. - Ferry flight from Broken Hill Airport to Albury Airport. Crashed under unknown circumstances.

## U.S. Registered Rotorcraft Accidents by Make and Model

		U.S. Fleet Size (Registered and Active)	Percentage of Total U.S. Fleet (Registered and Active)	Number of U.S. Registered Accidents	Percentage of Total U.S. Registered Accidents	Number of U.S. Registered Fatal Accidents	Percentage of Total U.S. Registered Fatal Accidents
Airbus Helicopters	AS332	12	0%	1	1%	1	6%
	AS350	928	7%	6	7%	1	6%
	BK117	259	2%	2	2%	0	0%
	EC130	289	2%	1	1%	0	0%
	EC135	362	3%	3	3%	1	6%



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## U.S. Registered Rotorcraft Accidents FY25: October - August

## Total Accidents

**21% {19}**



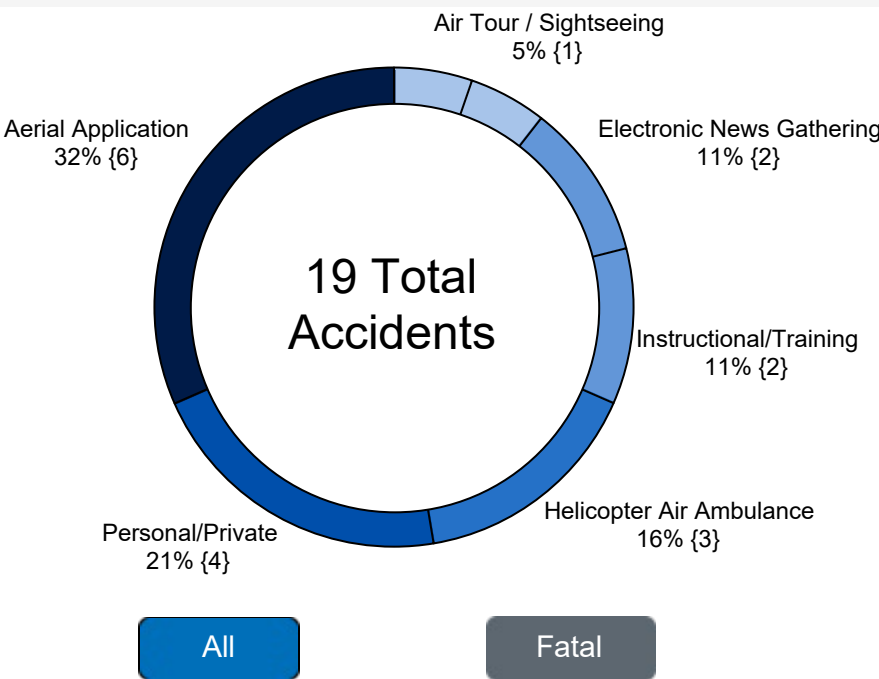
## Fatal Accidents

**33% {6}**



## Total Fatalities

**41% {15}**

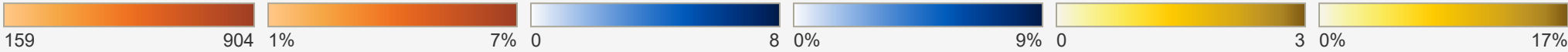


## Fatal Accidents Brief Summary

<b>NTSB: CEN25FA281</b>	<b>7/23/2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Bell 206Ls, N2611, Part 137, Thibodaux, LA, 1 fatal</li> <li>- Aerial application flight to a sugar cane field.</li> <li>- There was a set of powerlines near the north edge of the field. A static line was broken during the accident sequence. The right skid of the a/c was found separated from the rest of the wreckage and showed signatures of powerline contact.</li> </ul>
<b>NTSB: ERA25MA171</b>	<b>4/10/2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Bell 206Ls, N216MH, Part 091, Hoboken, NJ, 6 fatal</li> <li>- Air tour flight. Occupants were the pilot and a family of five (two adults and three children).</li> <li>- An inflight breakup occurred with the tail boom separating, following by the entire main rotor system. The a/c assumed a near inverted attitude before impacting the water of the Hudson River.</li> </ul>
<b>NTSB: WPR25FA114</b>	<b>3/19/2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Bell 206Bs, N23SD, Part 137, Dayton, WA, 1 fatal</li> <li>- Aerial Application flight.</li> <li>- Crashed under unknown circumstances. Impact with power lines possibly contributory.</li> </ul>
<b>NTSB: WPR25FA100</b>	<b>2/20/2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Bell 505, N118LG, Part 091, Rexburg, ID, 1 fatal</li> <li>- Bell 505, N118LG, Part 091, Rexburg, ID, 1 fatal</li> </ul>

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Bell	206Bs	844	7%	8	9%	1	6%
	206Ls	529	4%	4	4%	3	17%
	407	904	7%	3	3%	1	6%
	429	159	1%	0	0%	0	0%
	505	169	1%	4	4%	1	6%



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## U.S. Registered Rotorcraft Accidents FY25: October - August

Total Accidents

36% {32}



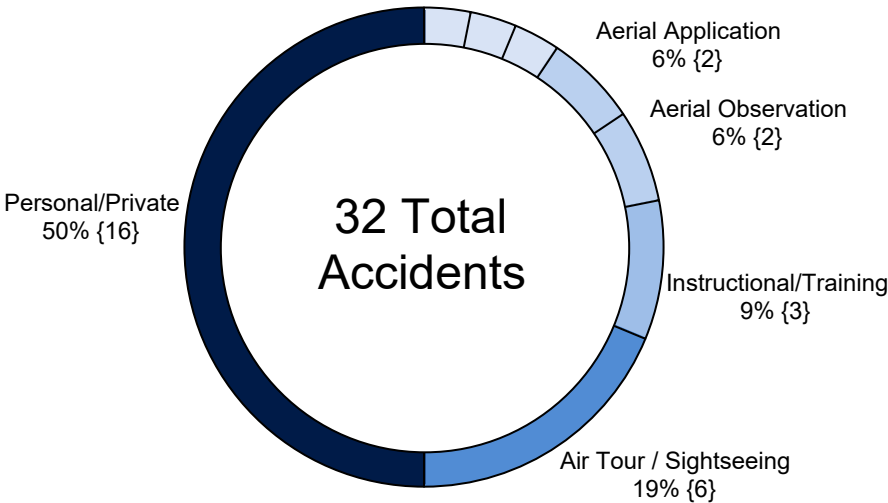
Fatal Accidents

33% {6}



Total Fatalities

35% {13}



All

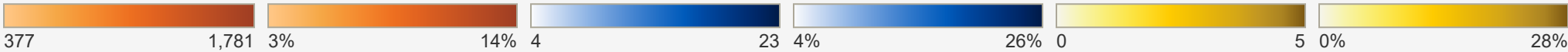
Fatal

### Fatal Accidents Brief Summary

NTSB: ANC25FA044	6/4/2025	- Robinson R66, N962MD, Part 135, Deadhorse, AK, 2 fatal - Commercial use flight, supporting bird research. A/c departed Deadhorse Airport under a special VFR clearance. Pilot reported clear of the Class E airspace. - ADS-B data showed altitudes between 300 and 600 feet MSL before the data ended about 25 miles from the airport. Search and rescue crew found the wreckage in an area of flat, snow-covered, featureless terrain.
NTSB: CEN25FA183	5/23/2025	- Robinson R44, N1195P, Part 091, Miami, TX, 1 fatal - Personal use flight. Student pilot planned a solo flight from his home to an appointment. - Prevailing weather was fog, low clouds, and mist. Another helicopter pilot in the same area had cancelled due to the weather. A witness near the accident site heard the a/c but could not estimate the altitude because the fog was so low. A/c impacted the ground and a post-crash fire occurred.
NTSB: CEN25FA124	3/15/2025	- Robinson R44, N331ES, Part 091, Danville, VA, 1 fatal - Personal use flight. Pilot had ended a flight with passengers early and dropped them off ta their home due to fog restricting visibility. - Pilot made a precautionary landing for weather after encountering fog, but took off again after a few minutes. A witness reported the a/c disappearing in the fog. The a/c crashed within 1/4 mile of departure about 1 minute later.
NTSB: CEN25FA104	2/27/2025	- Robinson R44, N144SG, Part 091, Uvalde, TX, 2 fatal - Personal use flight. Pilot was on a flight to a friend's house. The pilot was on a flight to a friend's house. The pilot was on a flight to a friend's house.

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Robinson	R22	769	6%	5	6%	0	0%
	R44	1,781	14%	23	26%	5	28%
	R66	377	3%	4	4%	1	6%



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Total Accidents

2% {2}



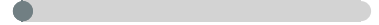
Fatal Accidents

0% {0}



Total Fatalities

0% {0}



### Fatal Accidents Brief Summary

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Sikorsky	S-61	50	0%	1	1%	0	0%
	S-76	172	1%	1	1%	0	0%



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Total Accidents

25% {22}



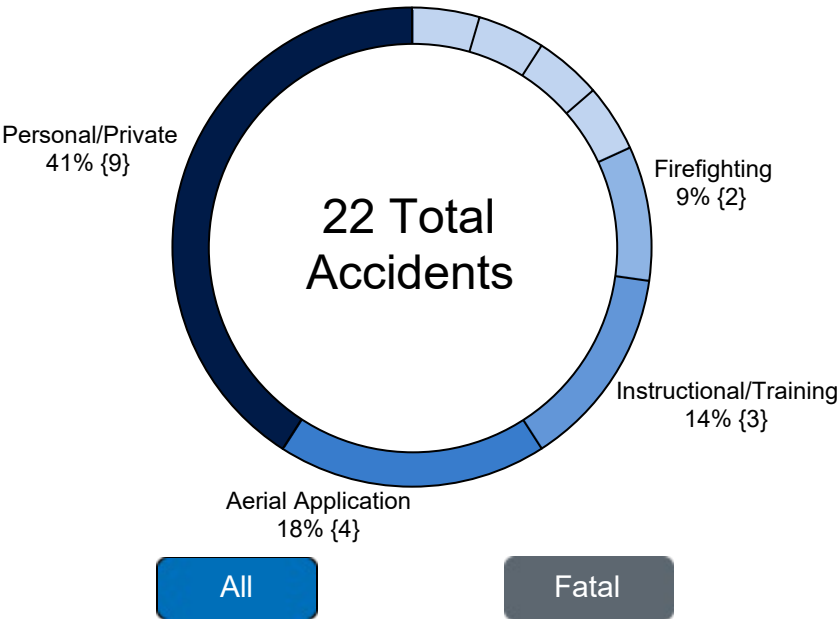
Fatal Accidents

17% {3}



Total Fatalities

11% {4}



### Fatal Accidents Brief Summary

NTSB: CEN25FA307	8/7/2025	- MD Helicopters, Inc. 369, N173AL, Part 091, Alton, IL, 2 fatal - Utility Patrol/Construction flight. Completing maintenance work to a power line. Witness observed a lineman was on the skid while a/c positioned closer to the power line. - Witness reported the tail struck the line first, followed shortly thereafter by part of the fuselage. The a/c crashed on a ship barge deck immediately below the work area..
NTSB: WPR25FA190	6/25/2025	- MD Helicopters, Inc. 369, N411WJ, Part 091, Meeker, CO, 1 fatal - Personal use flight. - A/c departed Meeker Coulter Field, climbed to 10,350 feet msl, then began a descent that continued until the end of the ADS-B data. The a/c impacted rocky, hilly terrain at an elevation of about 6,840 feet msl.
NTSB: ERA25LA144	3/14/2025	- Schweizer 269, N262LH, Part 091, Mogadore, OH, 1 fatal - Personal use flight. Night conditions, about 35 minutes before sunrise. Pilot was enroute to Portgage County Airport to pick up a friend. A/c descended out of 1600 feet MSL as it came over a reservoir. - Witnesses reported a/c passed low over the dam and then was about 20 feet above water level before proceeding northeast and impacting powerlines. Utility compan..

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Enstrom	280	119	1%	2	2%	0	0%
	F-28	145	1%	0	0%	0	0%
Erickson	S-64	21	0%	1	1%	0	0%
Kaman	K-1200	24	0%	1	1%	0	0%
Leonardo	A109	151	1%	1	1%	0	0%
	A119	207	2%	0	0%	0	0%
	AW139	129	1%	0	0%	0	0%
MD Helicopters, Inc.	369	601	5%	5	6%	2	11%
	600N	26	0%	2	2%	0	0%
Schweizer	269	436	4%	6	7%	1	6%
Scotts-Bell 47	47	538	4%	1	1%	0	0%



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Restricted Category

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Total Accidents

1% {1}



Fatal Accidents

0% {0}



Total Fatalities

0% {0}



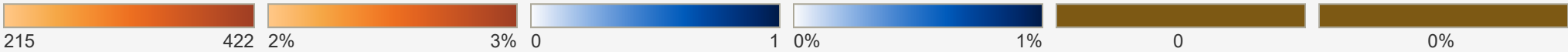
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Restricted Category	OH-58	339	3%	1	1%	0	0%
	UH-1	422	3%	0	0%	0	0%
	UH-60	215	2%	0	0%	0	0%



**The following notes apply to the charts above:**  
 \*\*Data is subject to change\*\*  
 \*The accident numbers for each month of the Fiscal Year may vary from what was reported previously based on analysis between FAA and NTSB databases for the specified month.  
 \*Fleet size counts may vary from what was previously reported based on analysis of the FAA registry.  
 \*Any listed Percentage of Total U.S. Fleet (Registered and Active) of "0%" is greater than zero, but rounded to the nearest whole percent.