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United States Helicopter Safety Team



Monthly Safety Report

October 2025

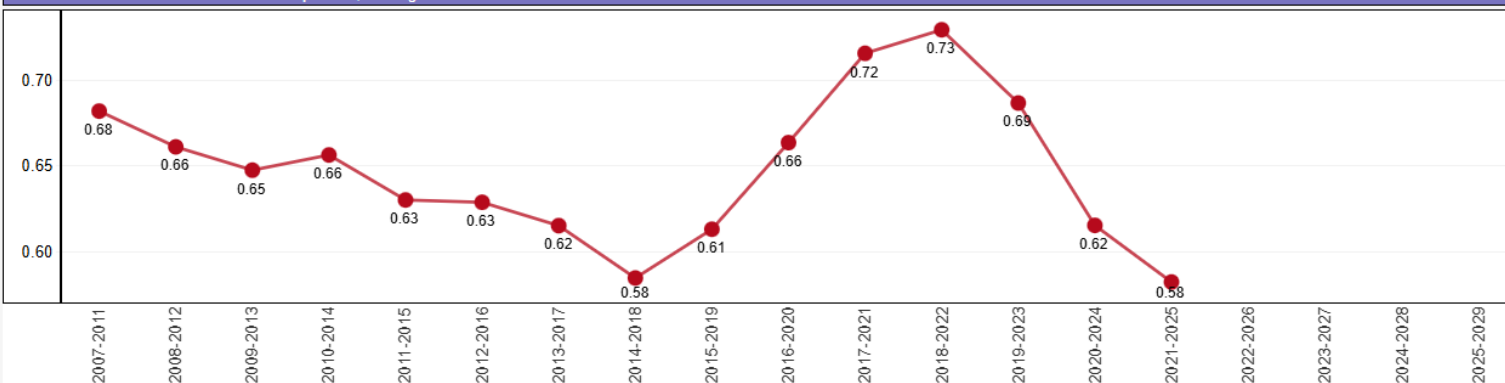
The USHST is a regional partner to the Vertical Aviation Safety Team ([VAST](#)).

USHST MISSION: To develop, deliver, and promote valuable safety resources focused on improving the US helicopter community's safety culture and performance.

USHST Vision: A civil registered helicopter community without fatal accidents

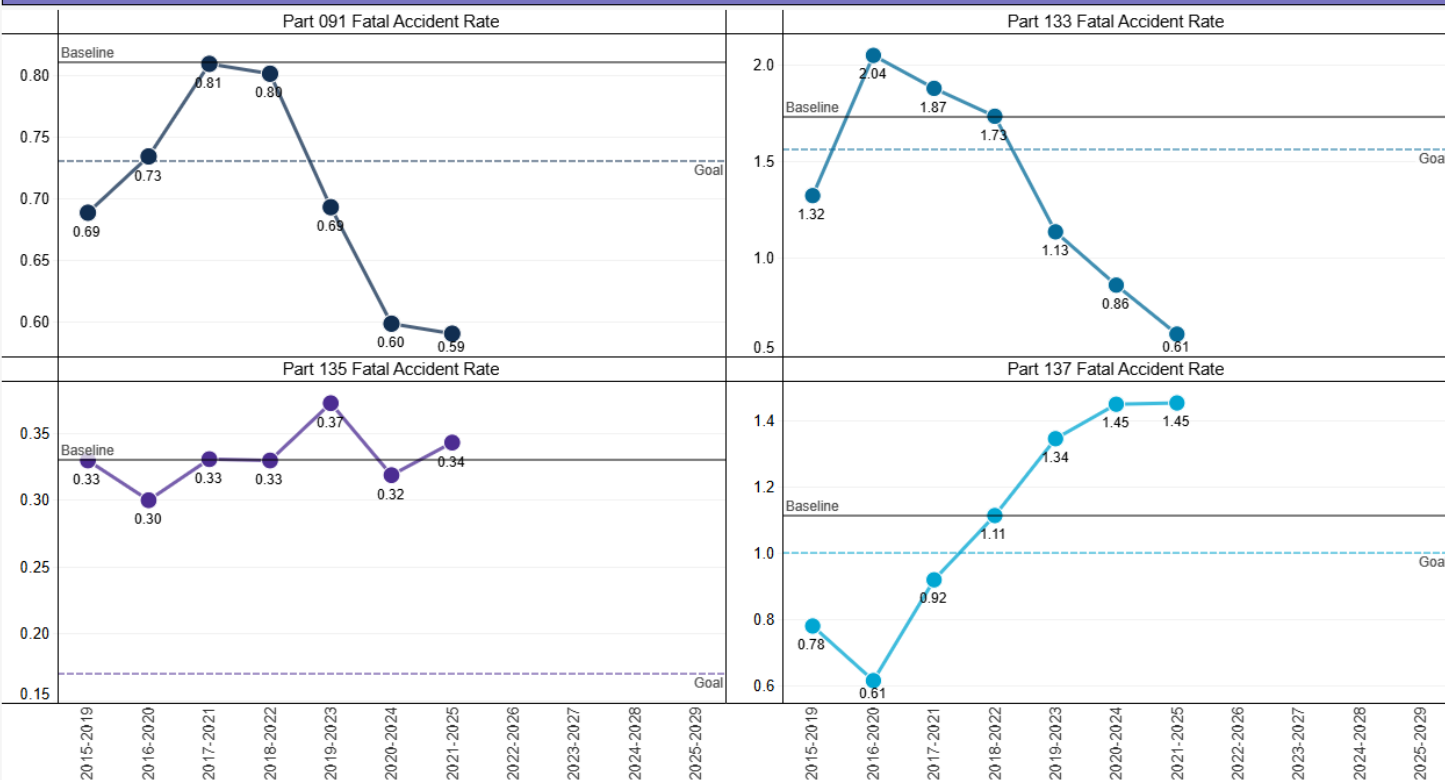
Fatal Rate: 5 Year Average

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



Fatal Rate by Operational Part: 5 Year Average

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





Did "YOU" Know?

In the US there are **12,000 +** helicopters, **32,000 +** helicopter pilots and over **292,000** aircraft mechanics!

The USHST has identified the following industries for **OUTREACH**:

Personal/Private, Helicopter Air Ambulance (HAA), Commercial and Aerial Application

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- [USHST Summer 2025 Newsletter](#)
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- [FAASTeam Notice - Risk-Based Flight Review Guidance for Instructors](#)



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[H-SE 2023-04, Improve fatigue awareness and risk mitigation of scheduling factors leading to fatigue](#)

In this project, the USHST will develop guidance material for operators to establish a Fatigue Risk Management Program based on a quantitative objective framework to identify scenarios associated with elevated fatigue risk and to aid in the consistent and reliable execution of effective risk controls. Guidance material will take the form of a white paper to educate operators about the need for an FRMP; a checklist to evaluate FRMP maturity; a case study of an operator adopting an FRMP; and results from a large-scale study of fatigue in air medical transport operations.

USHST Fatigue Risk Management Working Group will: 1. Conduct research and publish a white paper that communicates the need for an FRMP among rotorcraft operators. This will include a review of helicopter incidents investigated by NTSB 2. Develop a checklist to support rotorcraft operators in identifying the key components of a comprehensive FRMP to cover the range of fatigue risks in helicopter operations 3. Conduct a case study with a rotorcraft operator adopting a comprehensive FRMP to serve as an industry guide 4. Conduct a large-scale study to investigate fatigue in conjunction with air medical transport operations work patterns

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