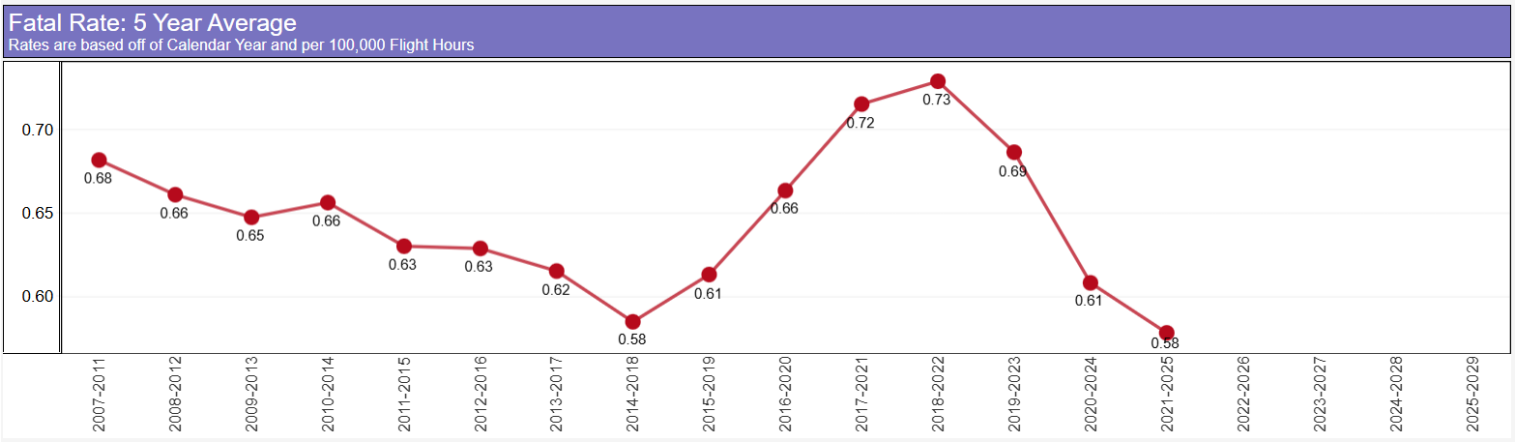
USHST United States Helicopter Safety Team

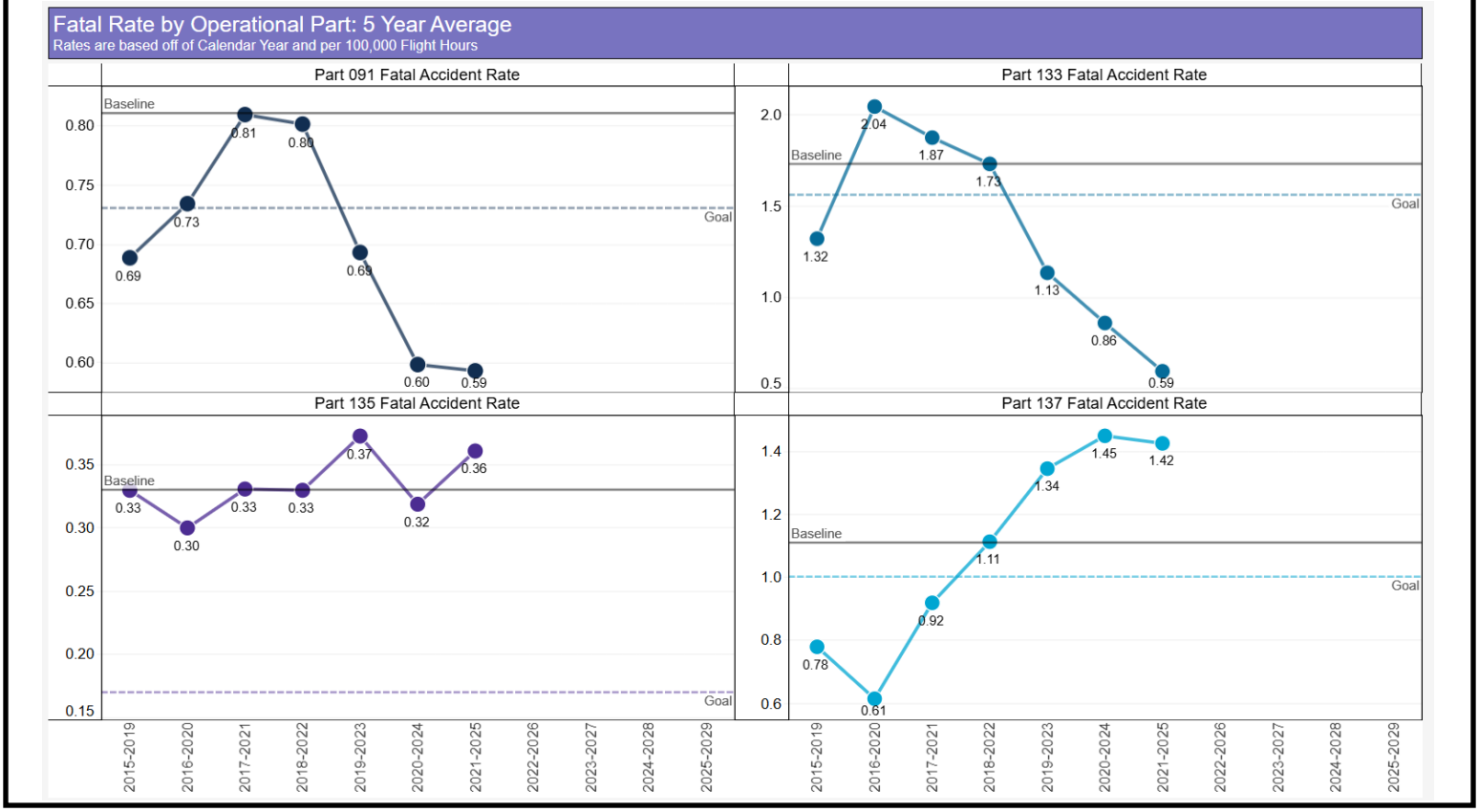
Monthly Safety Report November 2025

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





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

Your participation in joining our vision of fatal accidents is important to us. To determine how your interests best align with active USHST efforts, please click the link below to complete the form and submit.

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(3721 Members, 106 New)

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Helicopter Safety OUTREACH events:

- VAI Daily: Senators Introduce Mental Health in Aviation Act
- USHST Fall 2025 Newsletter
- Saturday Morning Coffee and WINGS w/ the USHST & VAI
- Flying in the Unforgiving Wire Environment (The Rotorcraft Collective)

Helicopter - Safety Enhancement (H-SE) Details

H-SE 2023-05, Training on effects of adverse wind situations.

Through implementation of this H-SE, rotorcraft pilot knowledge can be standardized and potentially more individuals can adapt effective critical decision making to these environmental performance factors. This should lead to an increase in sound aeronautical decision making, better judgment in managing risk, and more consistent compliance with rules and regulations established to ensure a safe aviation system.

Project:

- Define Adverse Wind situations in terms of the individual operator (include single pilot, and operation specific considerations).
- Promote knowledge base criteria and training strategies for effective risk management and decision making when operating at low airspeeds in vertical flight regimes.
- Improve mentoring by engaging trainers and operators who have operational experience in these areas and are willing to act as champions of best practices. The intent is help the individual or organization being mentored to gain the knowledge and skill to establish effective decision making and safety in their own operations.

USHST PRIORITY Safety Resources: Videos USHST Safety App Original H-SE Summation Report

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March 9–12, 2026 | Atlanta
Exhibits Open March 10–12

VAI Flight Report (October 2025) – Leadership Update

VERTICAL AVIATION SAFETY TEAM

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