Multimodal Transportation Indicators: Safety Section Added

Friday, April 27, 2012 - The U.S. Department of Transportation’s Bureau of Transportation Statistics (BTS) today added three new tables to the Multimodal Transportation Indicators that will track seasonal and long-term highway, aviation and rail fatality trends. The latest quarterly highway data are drawn from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration’s Crash*Stats Traffic Safety Facts with historical data from the Fatality Analysis Reporting System (FARS). Monthly aviation data are from the National Transportation Safety Board, and monthly rail data are from the Federal Railroad Administration. The rail data exclude public grade-crossing accidents, eliminating double-counting that would occur with highway fatalities. The new safety tables bring the total number of transportation indicators tracked by BTS to 27. Indicators are drawn from BTS and other sources to provide timely, easily accessible information for the transportation community. BTS also updated tables that contain information on transportation and the economy, fuel prices, passenger and freight traffic, transportation costs to users, and system performance. Multimodal Transportation Indicators are available at: http://www.bts.gov/publications/multimodal_transportation_indicators/. Contact: Dave Smallen (202) 366-5568.

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