

APTA Safety Spotlight Webinar: FTA Safety Updates

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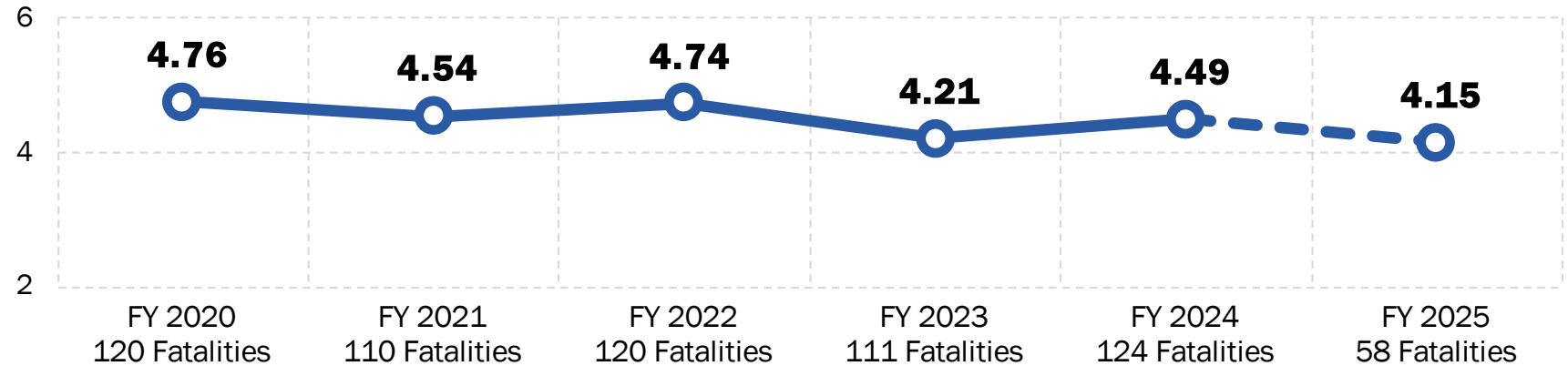
Agenda

- Safety Data Trends
- Public Transportation Safety Certification Training Program (PTSCTP) Semi-Annual Reporting
- Safety Data Reporting
- National Safety Month June Recap

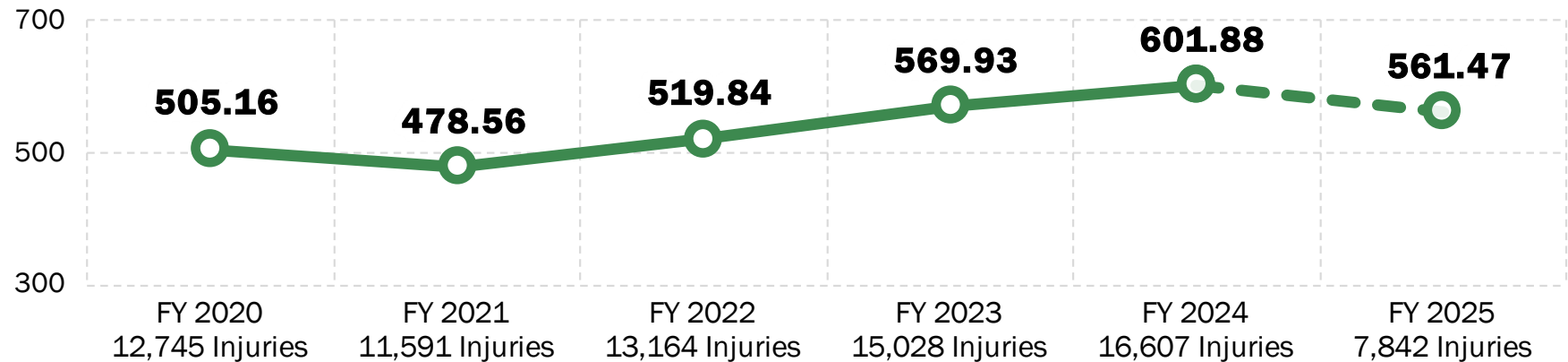


State of Bus Transit Safety – Annual Trends

**Fatalities per
100 Million Vehicle
Revenue Miles
(VRM)**



**Injuries per
100 Million VRM**

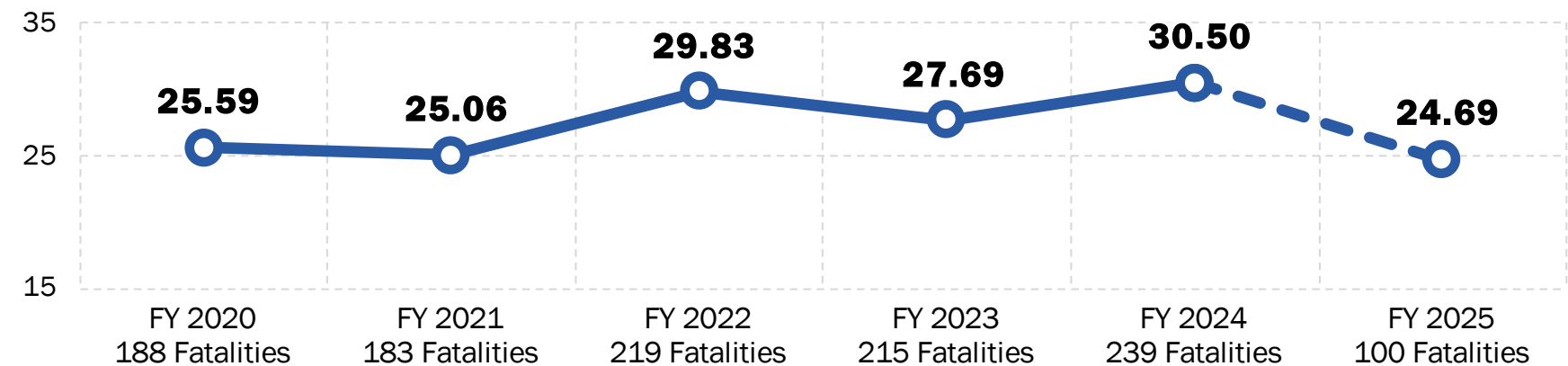


Source: National Transit Database (NTD)

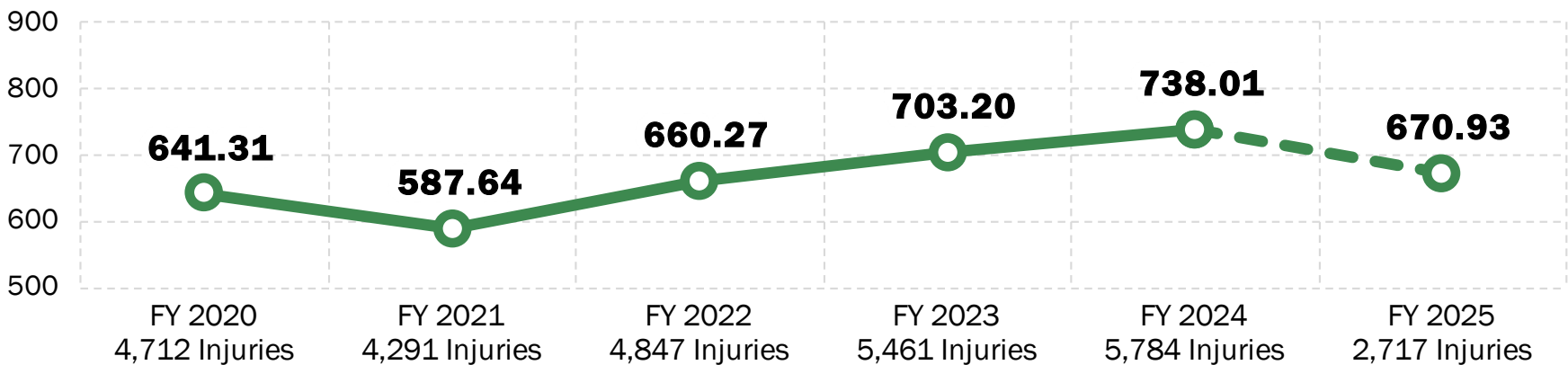
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State of Rail Transit Safety – Annual Trends

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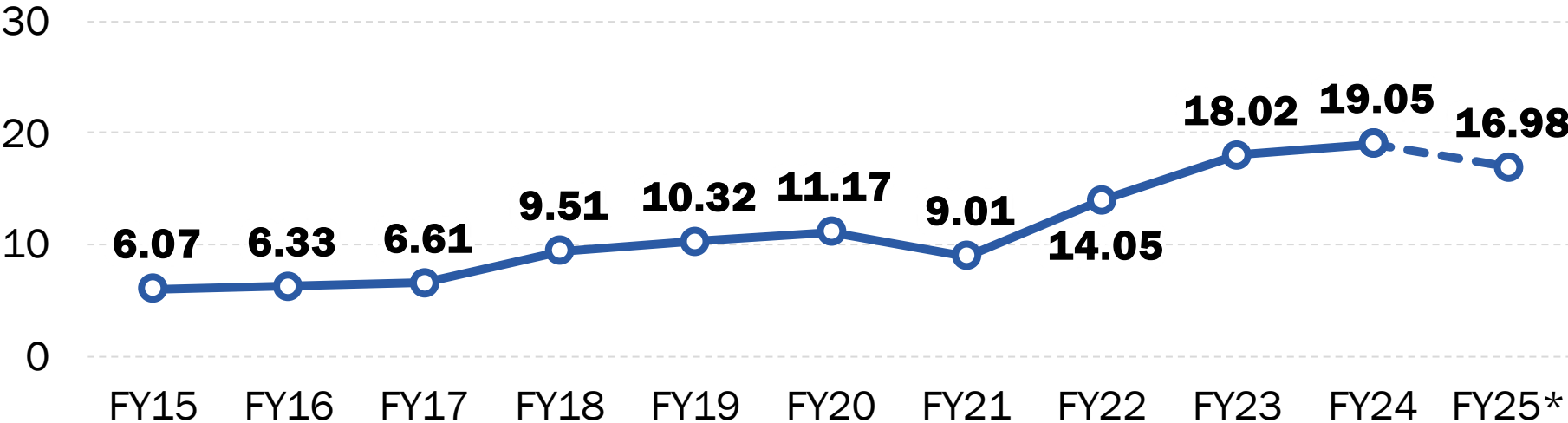
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Major Assaults on Transit Workers: FY 2015–25

Major Assault Events
against Transit
Workers per 100
Million Vehicle
Revenue Miles
(100M VRM)



Raw Event,
Fatality, and
Injury Counts

Major Assaults	224	237	249	359	395	364	284	459	615	675	306
Fatalities	1	0	0	0	1	0	12	1	3	5	2
Injuries	225	243	254	360	399	368	290	469	656	723	327

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PTSCTP Semi-Annual Reporting Period

The [Public Transportation Safety Certification Training Program \(PTSCTP\) regulation](#) requires the Points of Contact identified by State Safety Oversight Agencies and Rail Transit Agencies to report the following between **July 1 and July 31, 2025**:

- 1 The current list of designated participants for PTSCTP at the agency
- 2 The course or courses the agency has identified as required recertification training for PTSCTP designated participants

FTA developed the [PTSCTP Semi-Annual Reporting Form](#) to facilitate semi-annual reporting. Contact FTASafetyPromotion@dot.gov with questions about reporting.

PTSCTP Semi-Annual Reporting Period FAQs

FTA created FAQs to facilitate and streamline the July reporting process, focusing on course detail requirements, enrollment procedures and more.

Updates to FTA's PTSCTP FAQs



The screenshot shows the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) website. At the top is the FTA logo and name, followed by a search bar and navigation links for 'About', 'Funding', and 'Regulations & Programs'. Below the navigation bar is a breadcrumb trail: 'Home / Regulations and Programs / Safety'. A left-hand menu lists several categories with right-pointing chevrons: 'Transit Safety & Oversight', 'Public Transportation Agency Safety Plans', 'Safety Rulemaking', 'Safety Guidance', 'Safety Risk Management (SRM)', 'State Safety Oversight Program', and 'Safety Management Inspections'. The main content area is titled 'Public Transportation Safety Certification Training Program (PTSCTP) Frequently Asked Questions'. Under the 'Overview' heading, a paragraph explains that the FAQs cover the PTSCTP regulation at 49 CFR 672, which sets minimum safety training requirements for State Safety Oversight Agency (SSOA) employees and contractors. It notes that these FAQs include new PTSCTP regulation requirements published on August 14, 2024, and provides the email FTASafetyPromotion@dot.gov for questions. A disclaimer at the bottom states that the document is not legally binding and that nonconformity will not affect rights and obligations under existing statutes and regulations.

On-Time Reporting for Safety and Security Data

National Transit Database Reporting Requirements

Full Reporters

Report major events via form S&S-40 within 30 days of the event.
Report non-major events via form S&S-50 monthly.

Reduced Reporters

Report major and non-major events via form S&S-60 annually, four months after the reporter's fiscal year ends.

- ➡ FTA relies on timely and accurate safety and security data.
- ➡ Delinquent reporting inhibits ability to proactively mitigate safety risks.

National Safety Month June Recap

Zero transit roadway worker fatalities since November 2023.



Transit fatalities declined for **three consecutive quarters** between April and December 2024; **FTA's longest decline** since data collection began.



Thank you!

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