

Federal Transit Administration Update

Missouri DOT Statewide Planning Partners
Jefferson City, Missouri

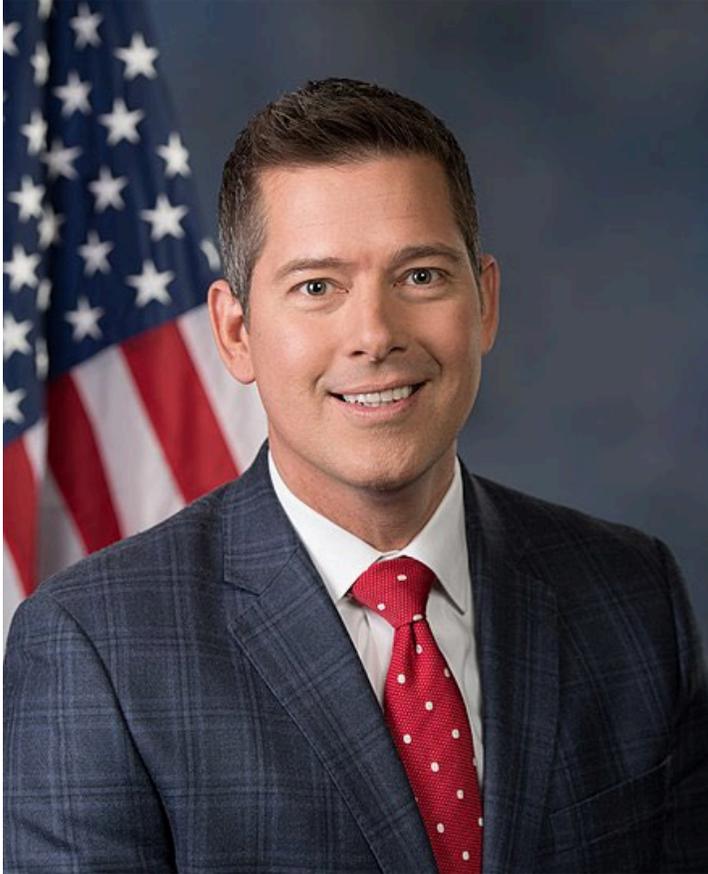
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U.S. Department of Transportation
Federal Transit Administration



Leadership



**Transportation Secretary
Sean P. Duffy**



**FTA Administrator
Marc Molinaro**

FTA's Mission, Vision, and Values



Mission

Improve America's Communities through Public Transportation



Vision

A Better Quality of Life for All Built on Public Transportation Excellence

Values

Service

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FTA provides **\$21 billion annually** to support transit providers delivering **7 billion trips** that connect transit riders to jobs, education, healthcare, and other activities.

FTA regulates the safety of transit providers.



Public Transportation Toplines

~4,000 U.S. public transportation providers

2,000+ U.S. businesses in 48 states supplying U.S. transit providers



Sources: 2023 FTA National Transit Database, 25th Edition FHWA-FTA Conditions and Performance Report, 2024 APTA Fact Book

Transit Assets



Assets: ~\$1.2 trillion

170,000 transit vehicles

15,000 miles of fixed guideway and high intensity bus

14,500 transit stations, maintenance facilities, etc.

Industry revenue = \$90 billion



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Transit Workforce



~430,000 people work for transit agencies

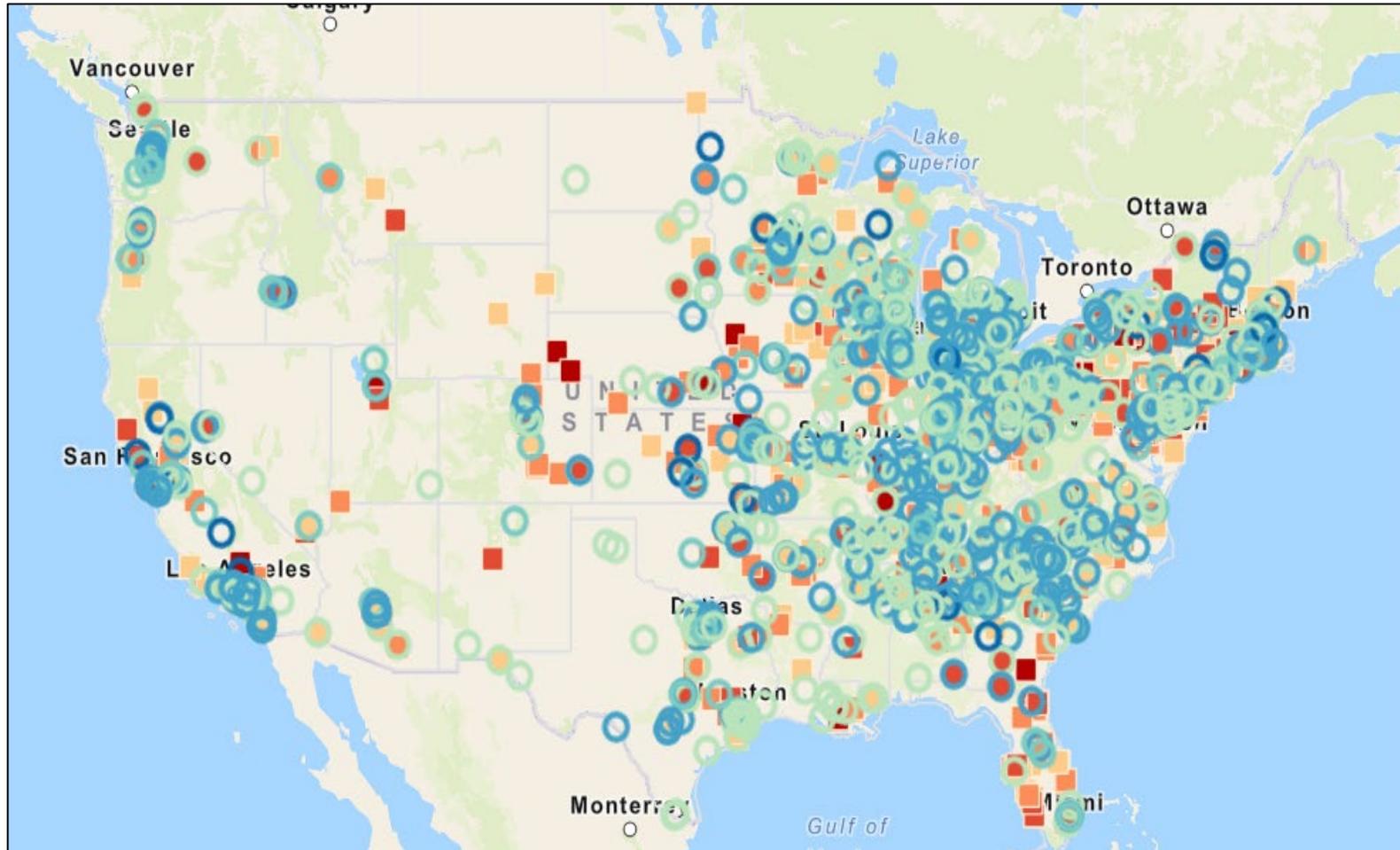
96% operations & maintenance

4% capital & administration



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2,000+ U.S. Firms Supply Public Transport Sector



1,400 rail manufactures and over 1,200 bus manufacturers

Bus Manufacturers

- Parts and Materials Inputs
- Infrastructure, Station Equipment, and Remanufacturing
- Major Supplier
- Assembler/OEM

Rail Manufacturers

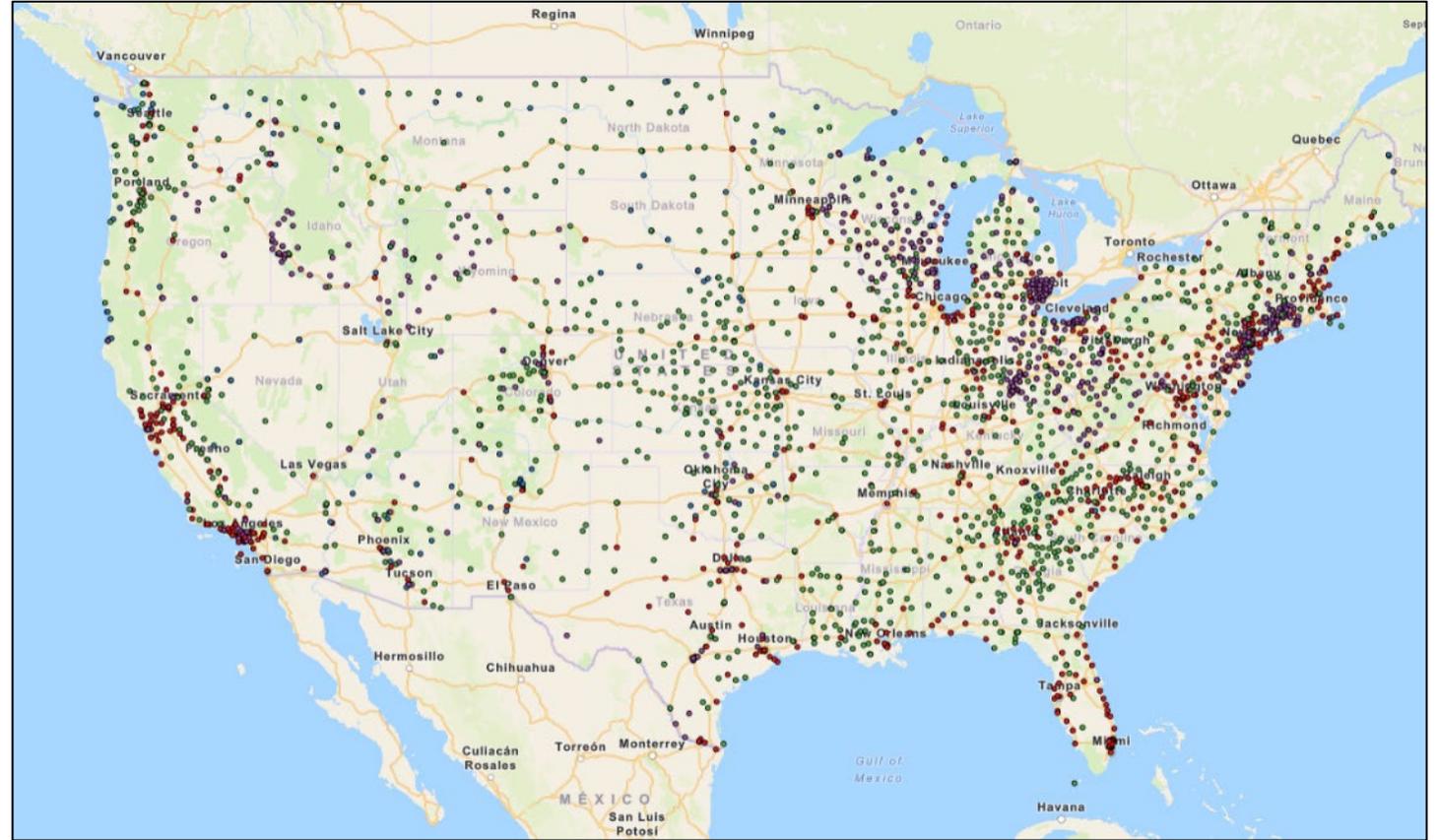
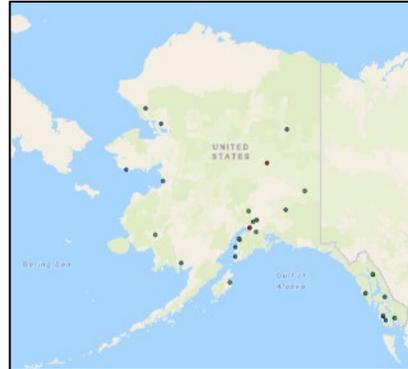
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• Note: Some firms supply both rail and bus manufacturers

Source: *Public Transportation Industry Footprint*. American Public Transportation Association

Grantees (states, counties, cities) across the U.S.

FTA programs support 4,000 transit providers delivering trips in nationwide.

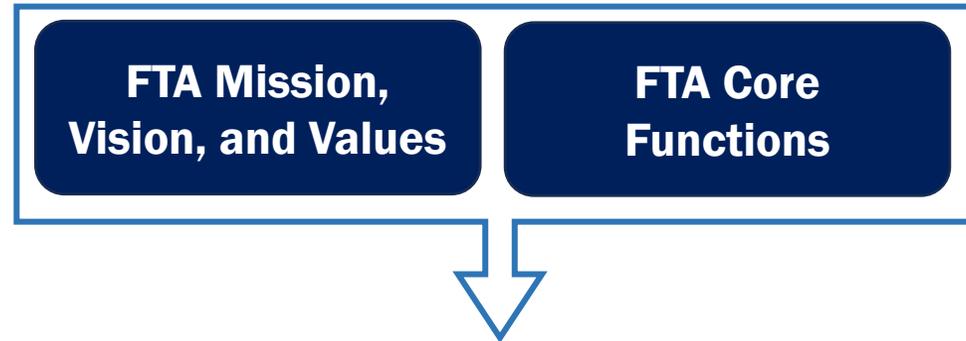


Pins represent locations of 1K FTA direct recipients. An additional 3K recipients receive FTA funds through state DOTs.

Sources: 2023 FTA National Transit Database (Sec. 5335) and Community Transportation Association of America (CTAA)

FTA's Operations

FTA operations and authority are defined by several elements:



FTA's Lines of Business



Research



Financial Assistance

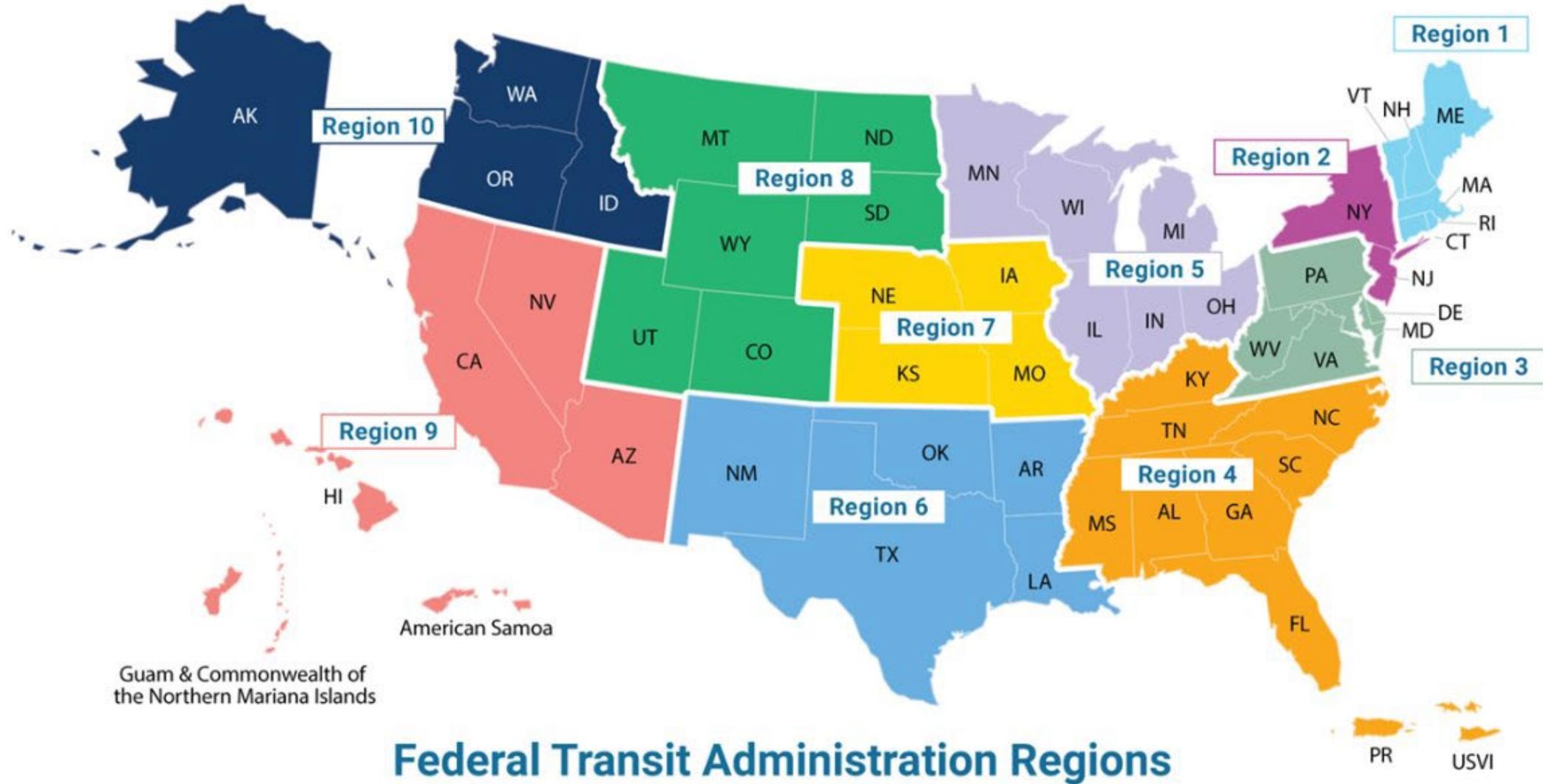


Technical Assistance



Oversight

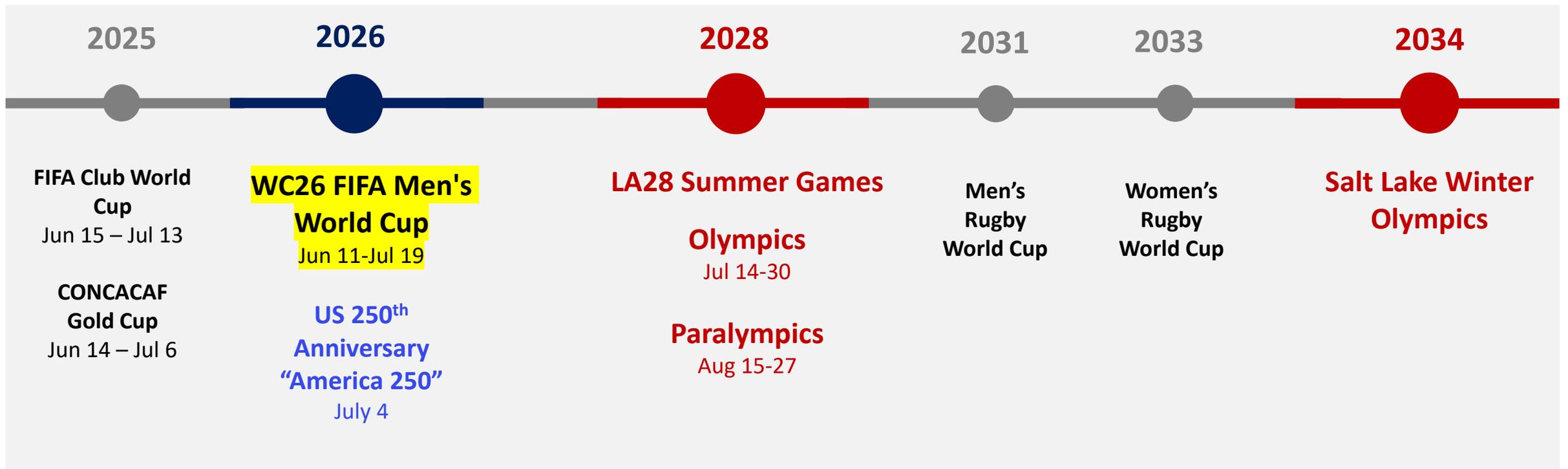
FTA Regional Offices



Federal Transit Administration Regions

Investing in America – Global Sports / Major Events

Over a *10-year period, beginning in 2025*, the US will host at least seven global sporting events and a celebration of the Nation's 250th Anniversary, providing many opportunities to showcase America's values and stature.



World Cup 2026 – Multiple Cities and Events

DOT/FTA Role & Support

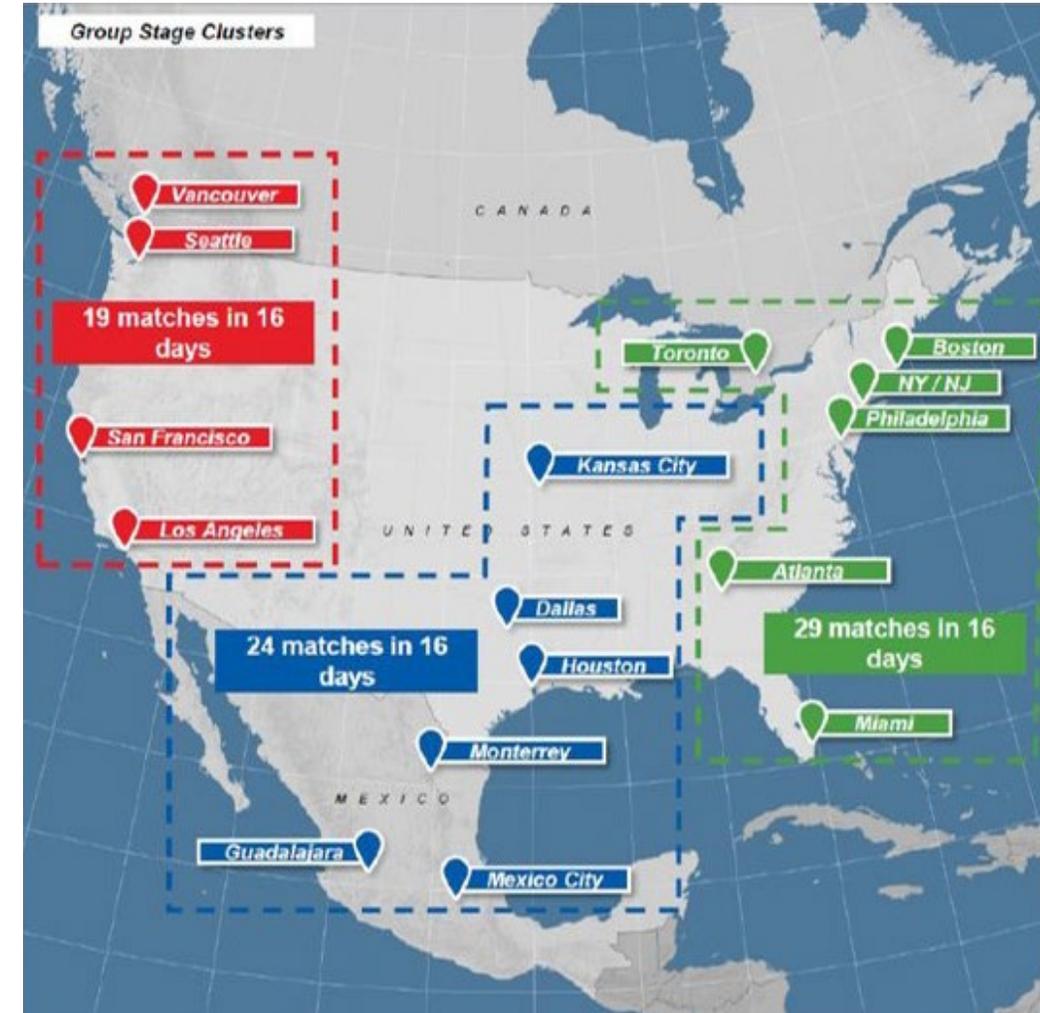
- DOT is a member of White House Task Force
- FTA providing technical assistance, support for recipients, and ensuring appropriate use of funds
- New funding going to transit agencies as of February

Resources

- [Major Events Dear Colleague Letter \(June 2024\)](#)
 - Topics include: Charter service, borrowing/loaning buses, spare ratio, accessibility, safety, and other considerations

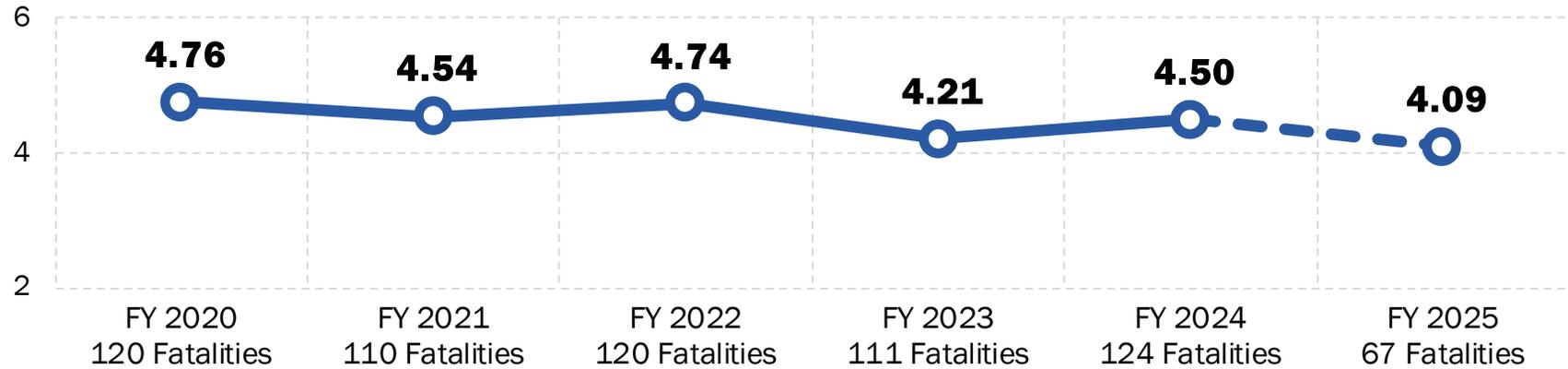
Contact

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- Regional Office

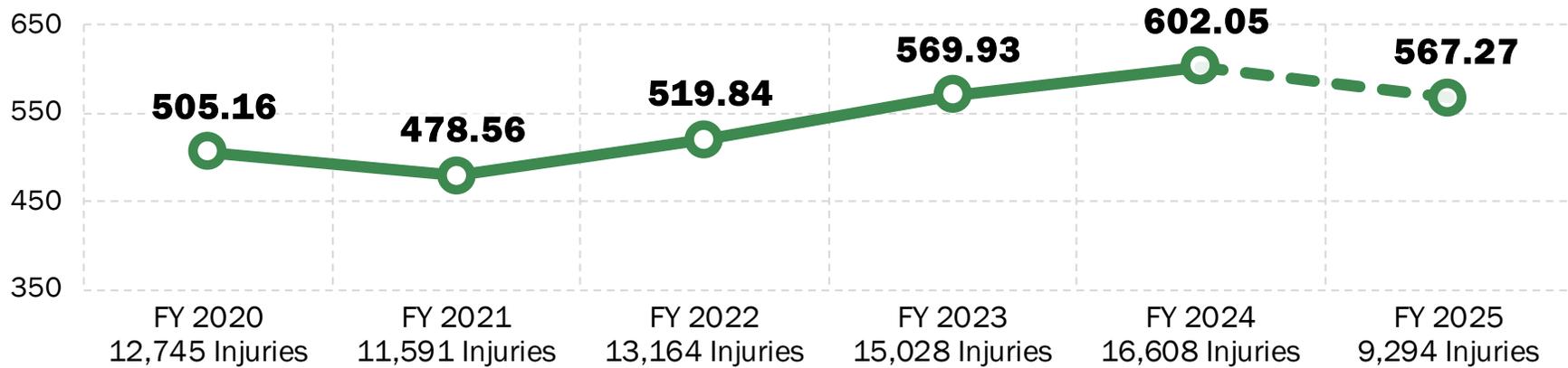


State of Bus Transit Safety – Annual Trends

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



**Injuries per
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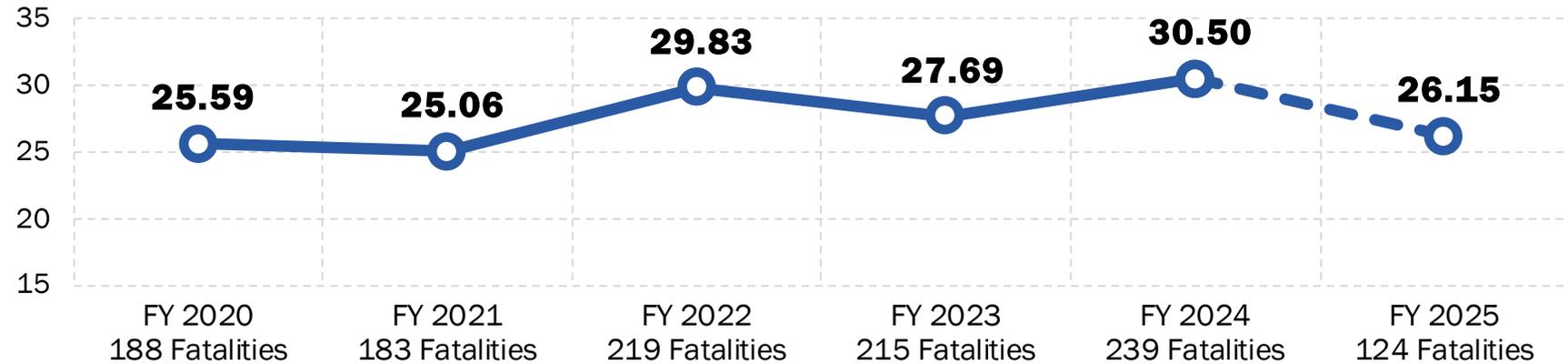


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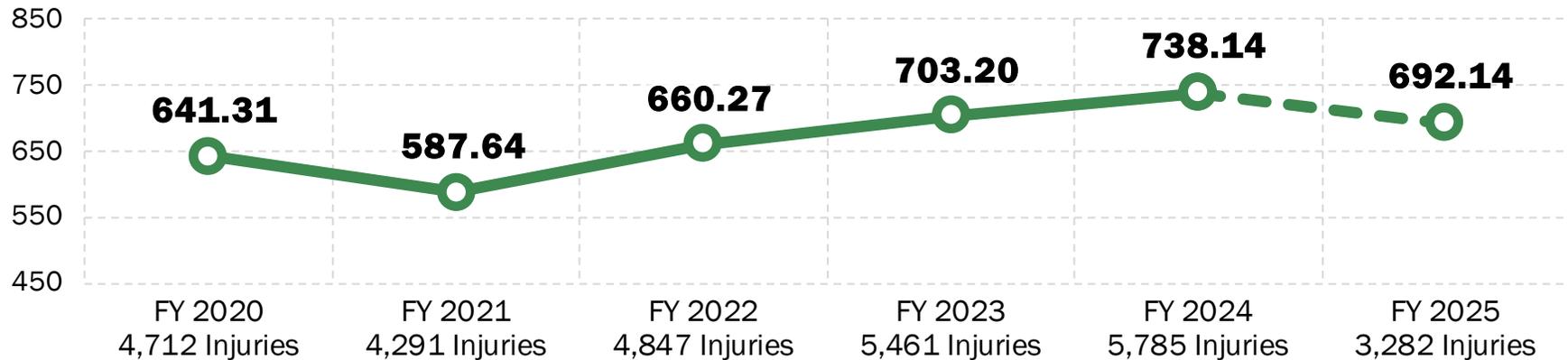
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Mitigation Status

What mitigations are rail/multi-modal transit agencies deploying?



#1 De-Escalation Training



#2 Video/Audio Surveillance



#3 Operating Policies and Procedures



#4 Signage Informing Riders of Surveillance/Penalties

Mitigation Effectiveness Evaluation – Rail/Multi-modal Agencies



69% found Video/Audio Surveillance to be effective



68% found Automatic Vehicle Location to be effective



66% found Patrol Strategies to be effective



53% found Operator Area Protective Barriers to be effective

Region 7 - Missouri Updates

- St. Louis - expanded Safety and Security Program, replacing railcars, and planning Bus Rapid Transit
- Kansas City - new streetcar extensions, redesigning bus routes, and plans for east-west
- New facilities planned in Columbia and Jefferson City



Forest Park Station Enhancements project

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