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Transportation Performance
Management

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# **Jackson MPO**

### **Transportation Performance Management Scorecard**

Legend ▶









Safety Perform	ance Measures (	PM1)				
Measure	MDOT Calendar Year 2019 Target	5-Year MPO Average	2014-2018 Trends/Results	Score	Analysis	
Number of Fatalities	697.0	67.6	55.0 607.0 71.0 677.0 76.0 690.0 72.0 690.0 64.0 664.0  2014 2015 2016 2017 2018  MPO MS Target 5-year MPO Average	::	The number of fatalities within the MPA have been steady from 2014 to 2018.	
Rate of Fatalities (per 100 million Vehicle Miles Traveled)	1.706	1.199	0.994 1.540 1.188 1.700 1.278 1.700 1.339 1.687 1.196 1.630  2014 2015 2016 2017 2018  MPO MS Target 5-year MPO Average	U	The rate of fatalities within the MPA remains steady.	
Number of Serious Injuries	556.0	60.8	556.0 506.0 60.0 506.0 70.0 627.0 49.0 540.0 69.0 546.0 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018  MPO MS Target 5-year MPO Average	[U]	The number of serious injury crashes within the MPA has been steady between 2014 and 2018.	
Rate of Serious Injuries (per 100 million Vehicle Miles Traveled)	1.356	1.079	1.012 1.281 1.004 1.269 1.177 1.543 0.911 1.321 1.289 1.340  2014 2015 2016 2017 2018  MPO MS Target —5-year MPO Average	[U]	The rate of serious injuries within the MPA remains relatively steady.	
Number of Non-motorized fatalities and serious injuries	131.4	20.8	131.4 19.0 107.0 22.0 110.0 18.0 132.0 15.0 137.0 30.0 143.0 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018	[::]	The number of non-motorized fatalities and serious injuries within the MPA remains relatively steady.	

MPO MS — Target — 5-year MPO Average

Source: Fatality Analysis Reporting System (FARS); Safety Analysis Management System (SAMS); Mississippi Department of Transportation (MDOT)

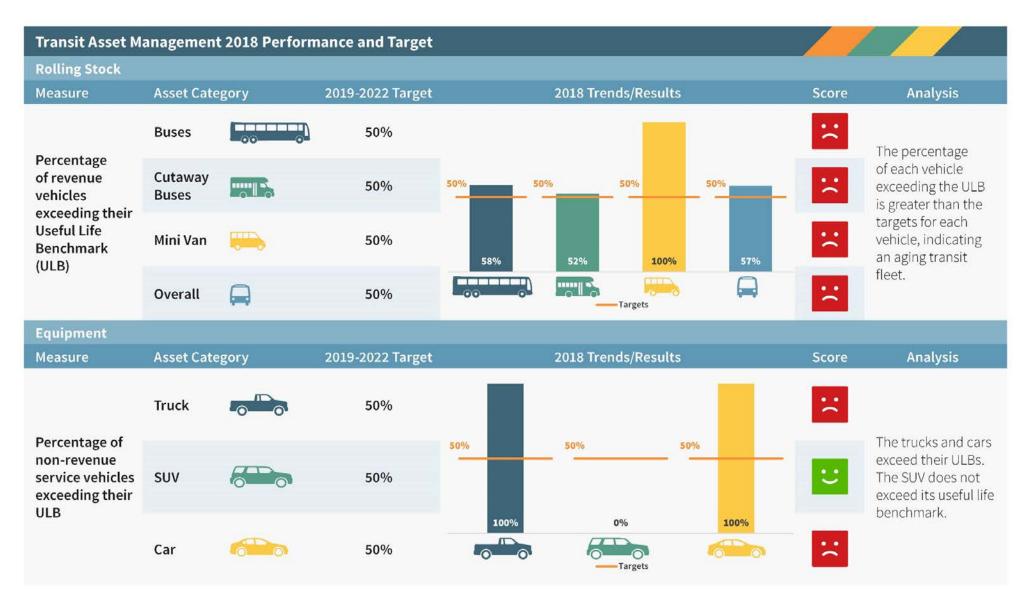
serious injuries



Source: MDOT; National Bridge Inventory (NBI)



Source: National Performance Management Research Data Set (NPMRDS)



Source: City of Jackson



Not Applicable in the Jackson Metropolitan Planning Area

Source: City of Jackson

Transit Safety											
Measure	Mode	Target	5-Year MPO Average			2014-20	18 Trends/I	Results		Score	Analysis
Number of Fatalities by mode	Fixed Route Bus	TBD	0.0	TBD	2014	2015	0.0 2016 Target ——5-3	0.0 2017 year MPO Average	<b>0.0</b> 2018	TBD	Safety plans and target are still under development by the designated transit provider and the Jackson MPO.
	Non-Fixed Route Bus	TBD	0.0	TBD	0.0	2015	0.0 2016 Target ——5-y	0.0 2017 year MPO Average	<b>0.0</b> 2018	TBD	
Rate of Fatalities per 100,000 Total Vehicle Revenue Miles by mode	Fixed Route Bus	TBD	0.0	TBD	2014	2015	0.0 2016 Target5-y	0.0 2017 year MPO Average	<b>0.0</b> 2018	TBD	
	Non-Fixed Route Bus	TBD	0.0	TBD	<b>0.0</b> 2014	2015	0.0 2016 Target ——5-y	0.0 2017 year MPO Average	<b>0.0</b> 2018	TBD	
Number of Injuries by mode	Fixed Route Bus	TBD	7.2	ТВО	13.0 2014	<b>3.0</b> 2015	8.0 2016 Target ——5-3	10.0 2017 year MPO Average	<b>2.0</b> 2018	TBD	
	Non-Fixed Route Bus	TBD	4.2	TBD	5.0	<b>0.0</b> 2015	<b>5.0</b> 2016  Target ——5-y	7.0 2017 year MPO Average	<b>4.0</b> 2018	TBD	



#### **Transit Safety** 5-Year MPO Measure Mode Target 2014-2018 Trends/Results Score Analysis Average Fixed 53,321 60,162 124,026 82,484 TBD 7,270 TBD TBD 65,463 **Route Bus Mean Distance** 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 Safety plans and target are Between Major Target — 5-year MPO Average still under development by the Mechanical designated transit provider Failures by and the Jackson MPO. mode Non-Fixed 37,758 332,338 39,415 59,298 84,697 TBD 110,701 TBD **Route Bus** TBD 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 Target — 5-year MPO Average

Source: National Transit Database

### 2.0 Future MPO Actions

#### 2.1 Safety Performance

The MPO meets all of the established state safety performance targets. To continue supporting the state targets and help improve statewide performance, the MPO must reduce fatalities and serious injuries on its roadways. Efforts the MPO may undertake to reduce these crashes and reduce fatality and serious injury rates include:

- Keep the roadways and bridges maintained and as congestion-free as possible.
- Work with state and local officials, as well as other safety stakeholders, to reduce the fatalities and serious injuries on the roadways.
- Coordinate with MDOT to develop the state's Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP).
- Ensure that transportation projects and safety improvements are coordinated with the state's Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP).
- Identify safety programs that may be implemented.
- Consider how projects placed in the Transportation Improvement Program will impact safety.

### 2.2 Bridge/Pavement Performance

The MPO meets the state targets for pavement condition on the reported Interstate and non-Interstate National Highway System (NHS) segments. To continue supporting the state target and improve its performance on the roadways, the MPO should:

- Prioritize timely repairs and resurfacing of pavement on routes with deteriorating pavement conditions when they arise.
- Work with state and local stakeholders to identify and repair pavement cracking, rutting, potholes, etc.
- Reduce or eliminate heavy vehicle traffic on the affected roadways by establishing designated truck routes on roadways with better pavement conditions.
- Use the local Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) infrastructure to monitor roadway conditions and redirect drivers to less congested routes, reducing vehicle loads and deterioration of pavement conditions.
- Employ Travel Demand Management (TDM) strategies.

The MPO meets the state target for bridges in Poor condition by deck area. However, it fails to meet the state target of percent of bridges in Good condition by deck area. The MPO's performance in this category is considerably lower than the state's baseline performance, which itself is close to falling below the MDOT target. For the MPO to meet the state target as well as support and improve the state's performance, it will need to place emphasis on repairing or replacing bridges that are not in Good

condition. The MPA bridges that are not in Good condition should be prioritized through the plan's operation and maintenance budget. This will also increase safety and system performance and avoid costlier repairs in the future.

Where possible, the MPO, in coordination with MDOT, should apply for applicable federal grants to aid with obtaining funds for bridge repairs and maintenance. While there is no guarantee of receiving these funds, they would allow the MPO to expedite repairs and allow as many bridges as possible to be repaired to Good condition.

#### 2.3 System Performance

Roadway reliability on the Interstates and non-Interstate NHS routes within the MPA meets the state targets. However, the MPO's baseline for non-Interstate routes is close to falling below the state target.

The actions the MPO may take to continue supporting the Interstate reliability and increase the non-Interstate NHS reliability are the same:

- Work with law enforcement to remove crashes from travel lanes, reducing congestion.
- Use ITS to advise motorists of roadway conditions and redirect drivers to less congested routes.
- Implement signal coordination projects to reduce congestion.
- Schedule roadway work at off-peak times.
- Employ Travel Demand Management strategies.

The MPA has four Interstate segments for the purposes of the Truck Travel Time Reliability (TTTR) measure. These are:

- I-20, which has an overall TTTR of 1.13;
- I-55, which has an overall TTTR of 1.39;
- The I-20/I-55 concurrency, which has an overall TTTR of 1.66; and
- I-220, which has an overall TTTR of 1.25.

The I-20/I-55 concurrency is the only segment of the Interstate system within the MPA that does not meet the state's target for TTTR. Actions that the MPO may take to improve the TTTR include:

- Work with law enforcement to remove crashes from travel lanes, reducing congestion.
- Use ITS to advise motorists of roadway conditions and redirect drivers to less congested routes.
- Implement signal coordination projects at Interstate ramps to reduce queueing on ramps and promote efficiency.
- Schedule roadway work at off-peak times.
- Employ Travel Demand Management strategies.

- Implement congestion reduction measures.
- Using ITS to advise truck drivers of roadway conditions and redirect them to less congested routes.
- Provide alternative truck routes.

#### 2.4 Transit Asset Management Performance

The overall age of transit vehicles operated by JTRAN, the public transit provider in the MPO area, exceeds the Useful Life Benchmark (ULB) targets established within the MPA. In addition to the rolling stock vehicles, the truck and car equipment vehicles also exceed their ULB targets. To improve its rolling stock and equipment performance targets JTRAN will need to upgrade its fleet by incorporating newer vehicles and phasing out older vehicles.

JTRAN also maintains two administration buildings as part of its system. Of these two, one of these rates below 3.0 on the Transit Economic Requirements Model (TERM) scale. To increase this performance, JTRAN will need to upgrade the administration building in need of repair.

#### 2.5 Transit Safety

The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) has added new safety requirements for transit providers in order to satisfy the new Public Transportation Agency Safety Plans (PTASP) rule. The new PTASP rule requires that qualifying transit agencies develop:

- An Agency Safety Plan (ASP), including performance targets
- A Safety Management System (SMS)
- Documentation related to the ASP and SMS as well as the results of the SMS processes and activities

#### The FTA states that:

"The PTASP rule requires transit providers to have their certified agency safety plans in place, which includes the first set of required safety performance targets, and share these targets with the MPO no later than July 20, 2020. The MPOs then have 180 days from receipt of the agency performance targets to prepare their initial public transportation safety performance targets."

#### **Future MPO Actions**

#### The FTA also states:

"Each transit provider is required to review its agency safety plan, annually and update the plan, including the safety performance targets, as necessary.

The MPO is not required to set new transit safety targets each year, but can choose to revisit the MPO's safety targets based on the schedule for preparation of its system performance report that is part of the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP). The first MPO MTP update or amendment to be approved on or after July 20, 2021, must include the adopted transit safety targets for the region."

The 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan is not required to contain PTSAP related performance measure targets, but the performance metrics that will be tracked in the future are shown in the scorecards above so that JTRAN and the MPO may plan accordingly.