2027 Safety Performance Target Adoption (PM1) *(5 mins)*

Vision

ONE **great** REGION

Mission

Foster thriving communities for all within the Atlanta region through collaborative, data-informed planning and investments.

Values

Excellence | **Integrity** | **Equity**

Goals



Healthy, safe, livable communities in the Atlanta Metro area.



Strategic investments in people, infrastructure, mobility, and preserving natural resources.



Regional services delivered with **operational excellence** and **efficiency**.



Diverse stakeholders engage and take a regional approach to solve local issues.



A competitive economy that is inclusive, innovative, and resilient.

Federal law requires ARC, as the Atlanta region's MPO, to adopt safety targets every year

Federal law[1]

- GDOT sets annual statewide safety targets
- ARC agrees to contribute toward the accomplishment of GDOT's safety target

In addition, ARC sets its own aspirational safety targets[2]

1: Since MAP-21 (2012); kept by the FAST Act (2015) and IIJA (2021)

2: ARC Regional Safety Strategy (2022): 5% reduction target each year for all safety performance measures

The targets are:

Five measures on all public roads

- Fatalities
- Serious injuries
- Fatality rate per 100M VMT
- Serious-injury rate per 100M VMT
- Non-motorized fatalities + serious injuries

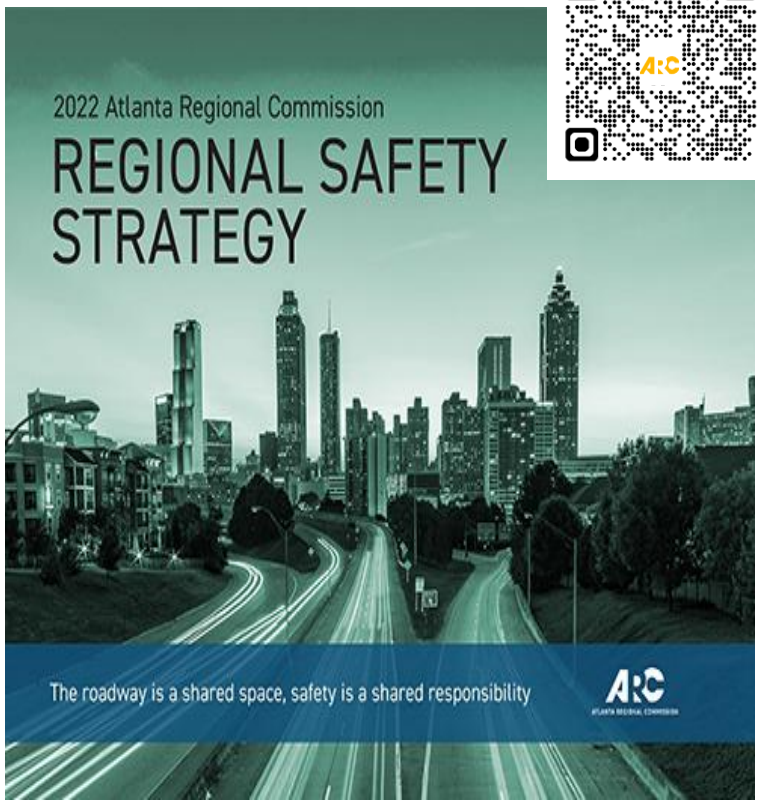
Action Requested: Support GDOT's 2027 Safety Targets and Adopt ARC's Aspirational Targets

Measure		2026 GDOT	2027 GDOT	2025 ARC	2026 ARC	2027 ARC proposed
Fatalities (K) People fatally injured in crashes in the MPO area	Target	1,367	1,349	662	629	508
	Observed	—	—	563*	—	—
Serious injuries (A) People seriously injured in crashes in the MPO area	Target	7,712	7,608	3,707	3,522	3,358
	Observed	—	—	3,721*	—	—
Fatality rate Fatalities per 100 million VMT	Target	1.13	1.12	1.141	1.084	0.793
	Observed	—	—	0.900*	—	—
Serious injury rate Serious injuries per 100 million VMT	Target	6.322	6.237	6.373	6.054	5.244
	Observed	—	—	5.945*	—	—
Non-motorized K + A Pedestrians and bicyclists fatally or seriously injured	Target	1,008	995	444	422	550
	Observed	—	—	609*	—	—

* Preliminary observed data. **How the 2027 ARC targets were set:** re-baselined to 2025 preliminary observed data. For instance, in 2025, the fatality target (629) sat above observed (563), so the 2027 targets restart from 2025 observed: 5% off for 2026, 5% off again for 2027..

Questions?

[ARC's Regional Safety Strategy (2022)]



Coming in January 2027 An in-depth Board/TAQC discussion of the safety targets, the data behind them and emerging trends, challenges and opportunities.