## Air Travel: Safe or Risky.

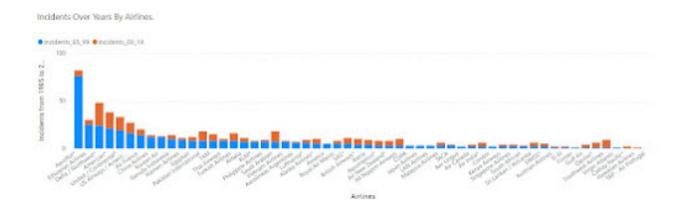
Comparing Air Travel Safety with Road.

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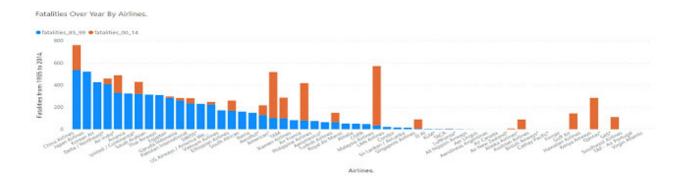


Airline industry have been under scrutiny recently due to recent unfortunate events. The media has been promoting statistics stating air is no longer a safe way to travel. The news and media outlets have been bombarding the public with reports and figures about the trends of airline safety and that things are not looking good. What was previously thought as the safest way to travel, especially when compared to automobiles, is now being presented as one of the most dangerous to the public.

I find that the safety issue around air travel is just a myth. There might have been some unfortunate events leading to the propaganda. But after analyzing the data and comparing it to road transportation, it is fair to say media is being biased towards airline industry.

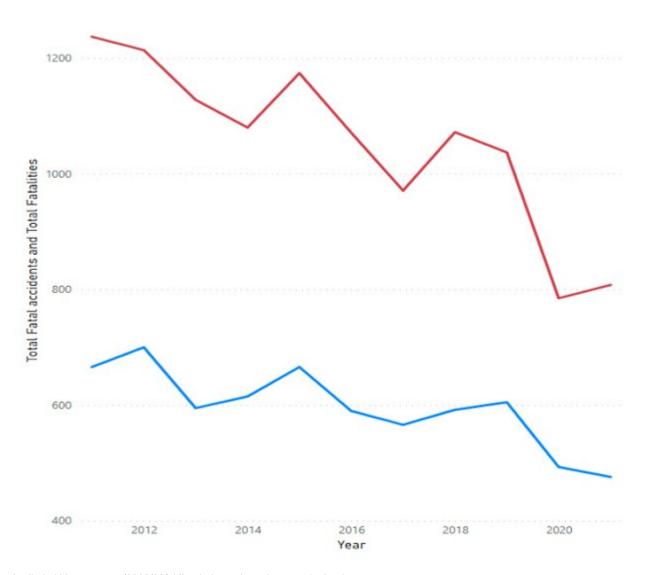


Aeroflot has been the airline with the most incidents, but the number has decreased significantly after the turn of the century. Advancement in the technology has helped reduce the number of incidents making it safer day by day.

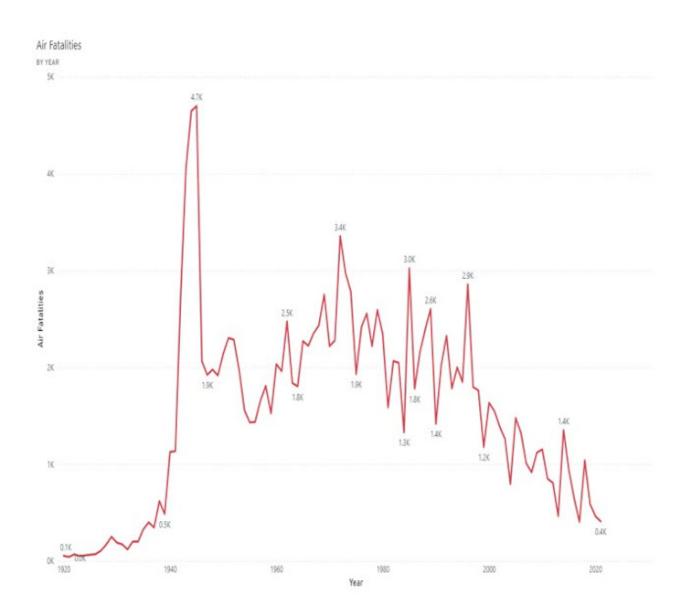








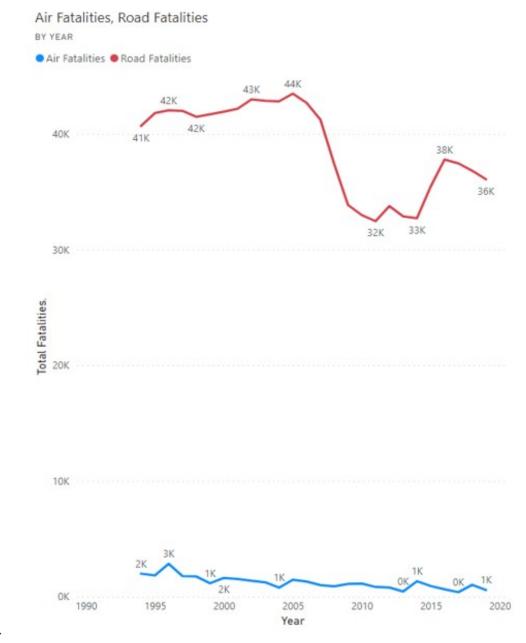
We can see significant reduction in fatalities after the turn of the century. The only major spike is with the Malaysian Airlines, and we all know about the unfortunate events with them. But most of the airlines haven't recorded any fatalities after 2000 A.D.



The number of incidents and fatalities over years have gone down. 2021 has only recorded 476 incidents with 808 fatalities compared to 666 incidents and 1237 fatalities in 2011.

On the contrary, lowest recorded road fatalities only in USA was for 2011 with 32,479 fatalities. The number of fatalities is higher with tens of thousands of fatalities each year alone in USA. The

number of airline fatalities is 158k compared to 1 million of road fatalities only in USA in the



same period.

Airline is no longer safer form of transportation is a hype created by media based on few unfortunate events but when looked closer, air travel is the safest form of transportation. The possibility of reaching your destination through air is much higher than the road.



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