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# INTRODUCTION

## GENERAL

1. The information in this publication is based on accident and incident reports provided to ICAO by Contracting States in accordance with the reporting requirements in Chapter 6 of Annex 13, *Aircraft Accident and Incident Investigation*.
2. The ICAO Accident/Incident Reporting (ADREP) annual statistics were last published for the year 1988, but discontinued until this edition. This edition contains detailed information for the year 1996, preliminary data for the year 1997, and ten year trends from 1987 to 1997. ADREP data reports are sent to ICAO upon completion of an accident or incident investigation, and therefore data can be published only with some delay.

## PURPOSE

3. The purpose of ADREP statistics is to provide data that may be useful for general safety studies and accident prevention programmes. For more specific needs, States are invited to make full use of ADREP information by making specific ADREP requests to facilitate safety studies, accident prevention programmes and accident investigations.

## LIMITATIONS

4. The reader should be aware of the following:
  - a) the *Accident/Incident Reporting Manual (ADREP Manual)* (Doc 9156) contains lists of codes to be used by States in the preparation of ADREP reports. Due to the sensitive subject matter, it is possible for the compiler to show unintentional bias in the choice of codes used to describe the occurrence and, in particular, those organizations or persons involved;
  - b) some occurrences are reported to ICAO through electronic means. Most of this data is converted to ICAO's format before it is entered into the ADREP database. Since some of the data reported is not compatible with the ADREP coding system, precision is not attainable in all cases; and
  - c) coding of accidents and incidents have been redefined over time, in particular those pertaining to incidents. Older data has not been recoded to reflect the new coding and format.

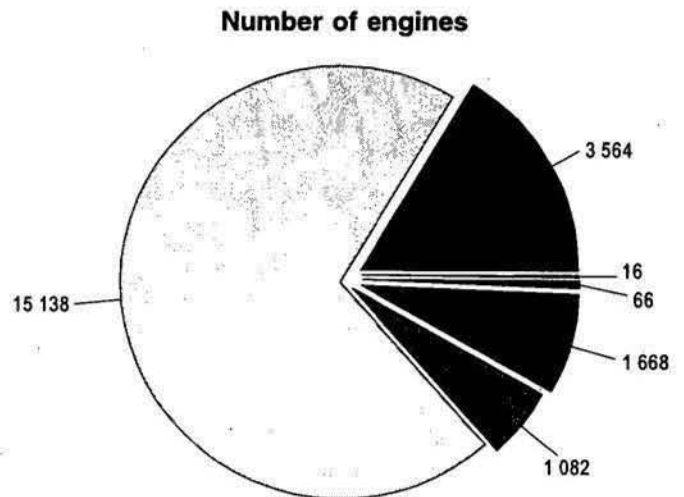
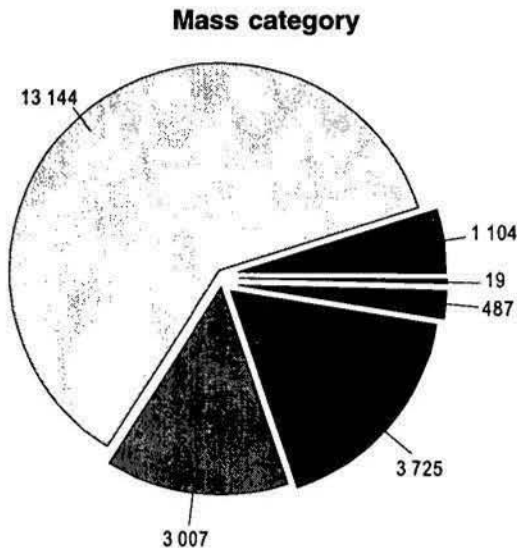
**LAYOUT**

5. This circular contains four parts:
- Part I provides general information regarding the scope of the information contained in the ADREP system.
  - Part II presents information on accident types which have been the focus of accident prevention programmes in the last 10 years.
  - Part III contains detailed information for the year 1995.
  - Part IV provides general accident trend information including preliminary data for 1997.
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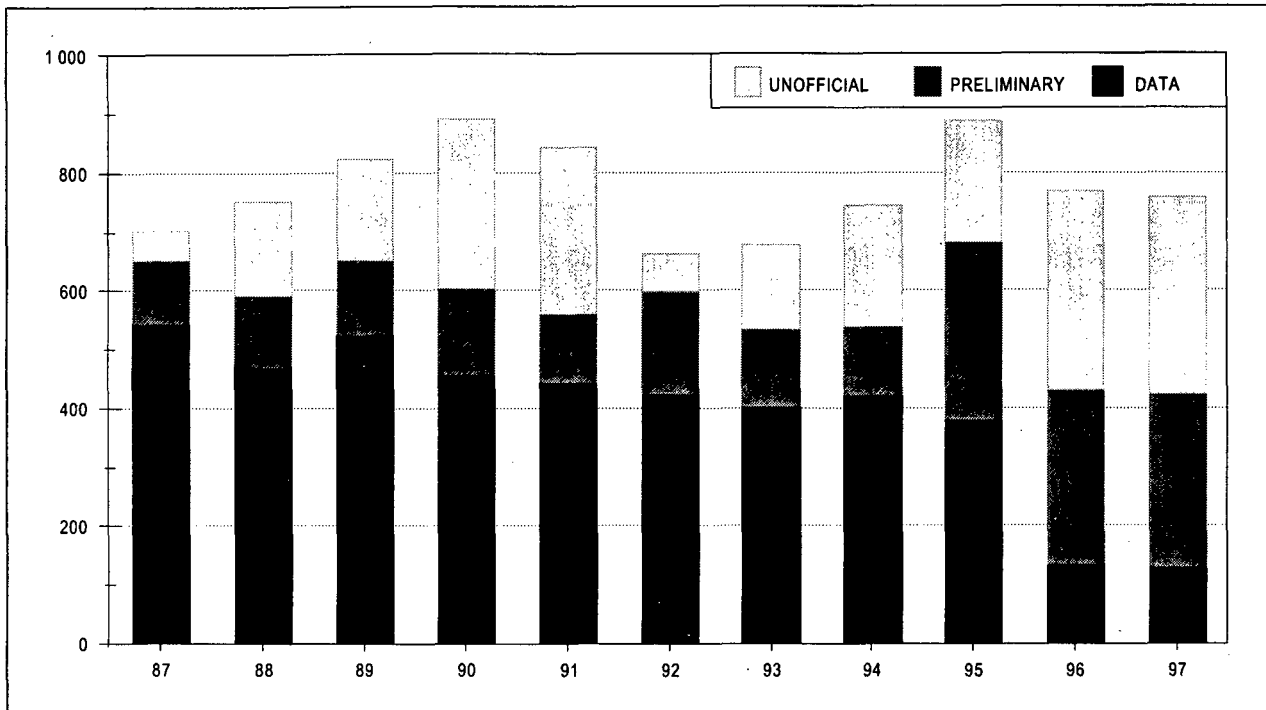
# Part I

## GENERAL INFORMATION REGARDING THE ADREP SYSTEM

1. As of 15 March 1997, the ICAO ADREP system contained data from some 21 579 reports: 3 209 preliminary reports, 16 211 data reports, and unofficial data on 2 159 occurrences, which were within the reporting requirements of Annex 13, Chapter 6. Of a total of 21 579 reports, 86.2% were accident reports and 13.8% were incident reports.
2. General aviation accounted for 55% of the reports, and airline operations for 45%. In terms of the types of aircraft, 93% were for fixed-wing aircraft, and 7% for helicopters.
3. The percentages of reports in relation to the mass category of the aircraft involved and their number of engines are shown below:



4. The information in Part II presents data from the last 10 years based on 7 789 reports and Part III, for the year 1996 is based on 895 reports. The table below shows the distribution of these reports into accident/incident data reports, preliminary reports and unofficial reports, for the last 10 years.



*Note.— The reporting to ICAO of an accident is usually done twice, first with a short report called a "Preliminary Report" and, when the investigation is completed, with a complete report called an "Accident Data Report". A Preliminary Report is not required for incidents (only for accidents) nor is it required if the Accident Data Report can be submitted within 30 days of the date of the accident.*



## Part II

# ACCIDENT TYPES

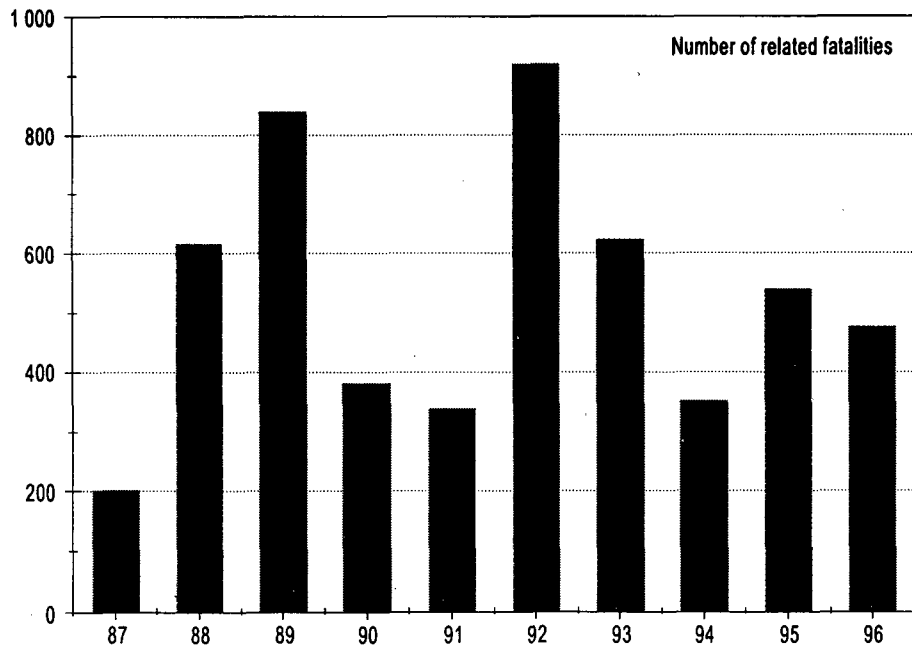
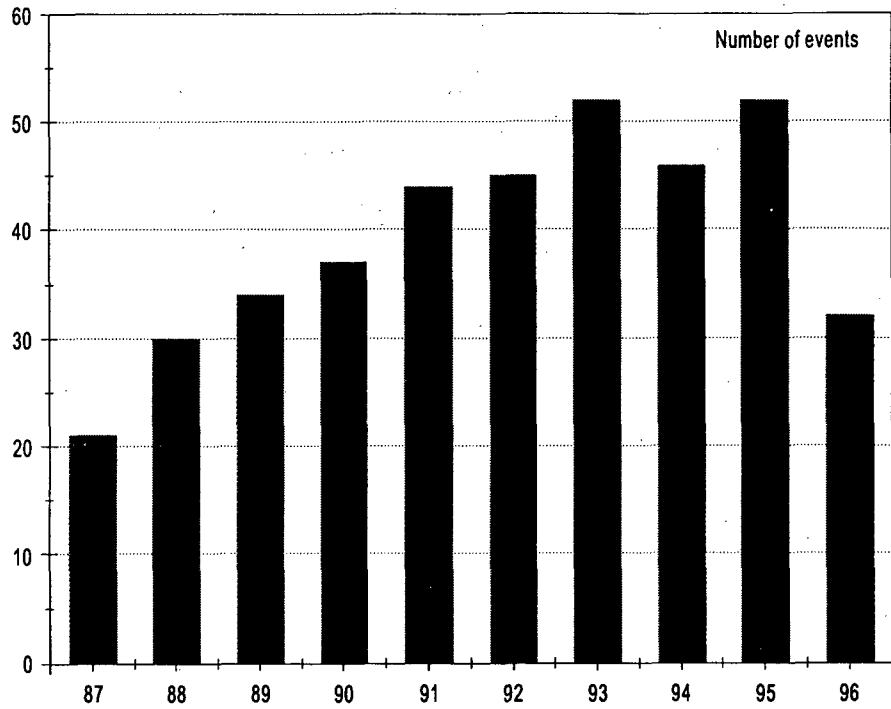
The following tables present accident types which have been of special interest and subject to specific accident prevention programmes in the last 10 years. It should be noted that a given accident may fall into more than one of the following accident types.

*Note on the statistical tables.— The tables were developed with data from the ADREP reporting system. In the ADREP report, each accident/incident may be described by up to five events. For each event type, there is a corresponding phase of operation and five descriptive factors consisting of one subject and up to three modifiers as well as up to three related explanatory factors consisting of one organization/person, a subject and a modifier.*

### Controlled Flight into Terrain (CFIT)

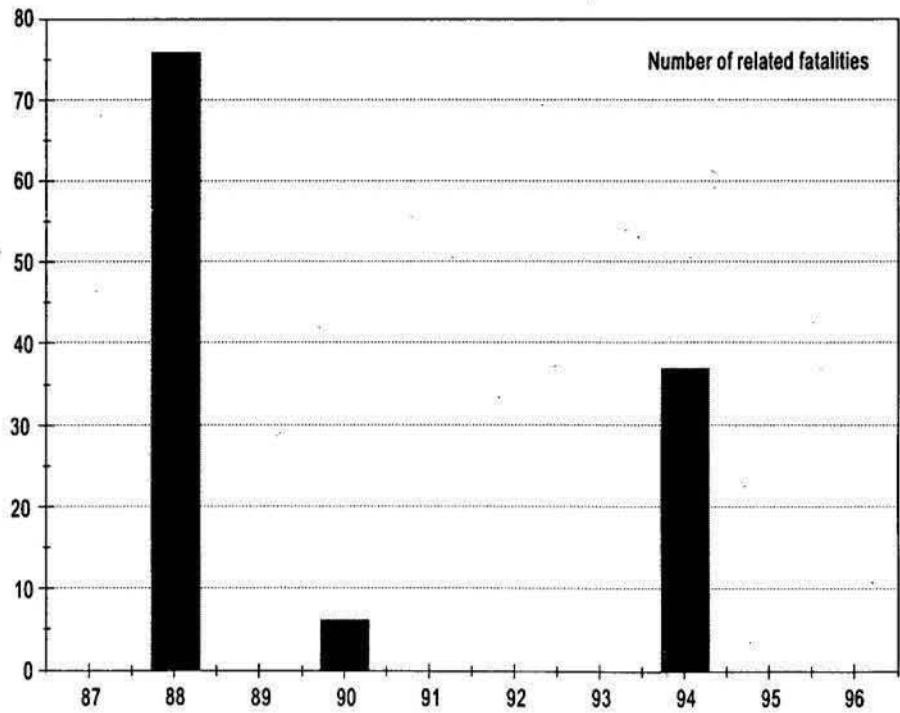
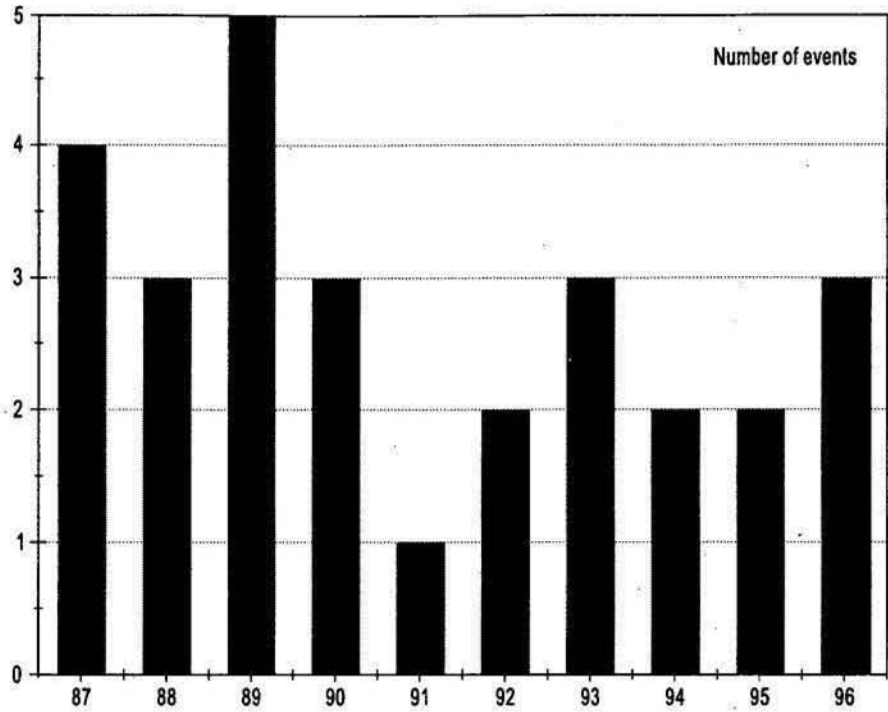
CFIT is defined as an accident in which aircraft, under the control of the crew, is flown into terrain (or water) with no prior awareness on the part of the crew of the impending accident. The prevention of these types of accidents has recently been the subject of an industry task force.

The tables present information on accidents which were classified as "CFIT" accidents.



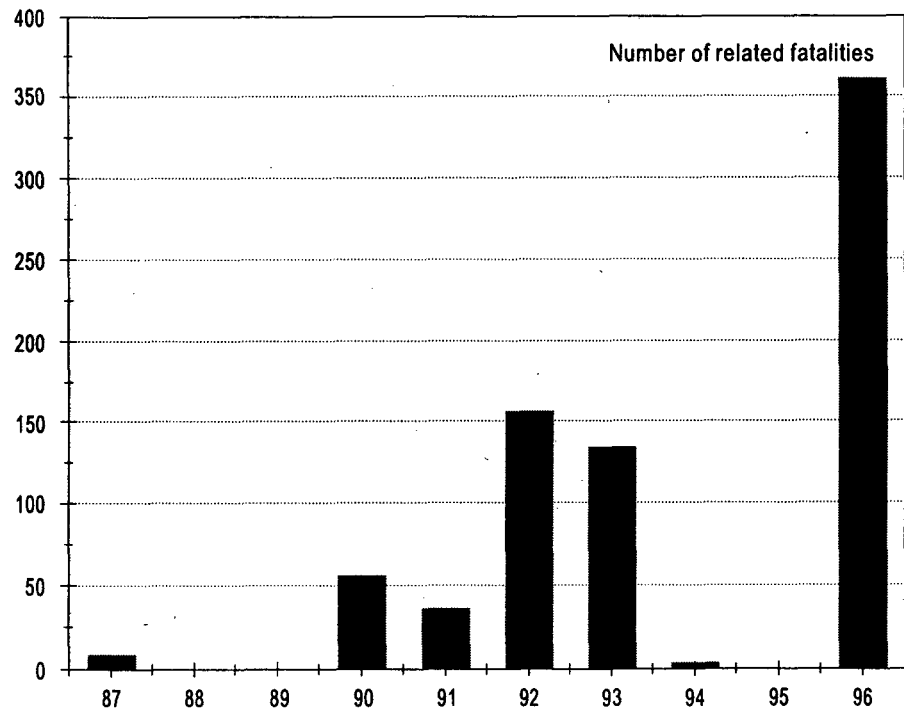
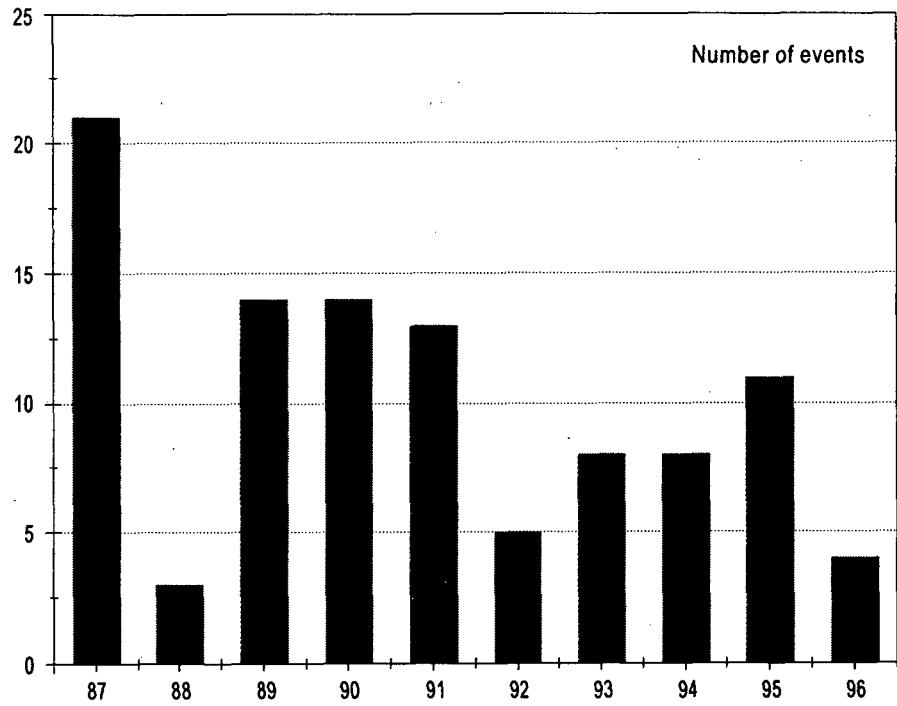
**Windshear**

The tables present information on occurrences where windshear was quoted as a type of event or where a factor "windshear" was entered in the report.



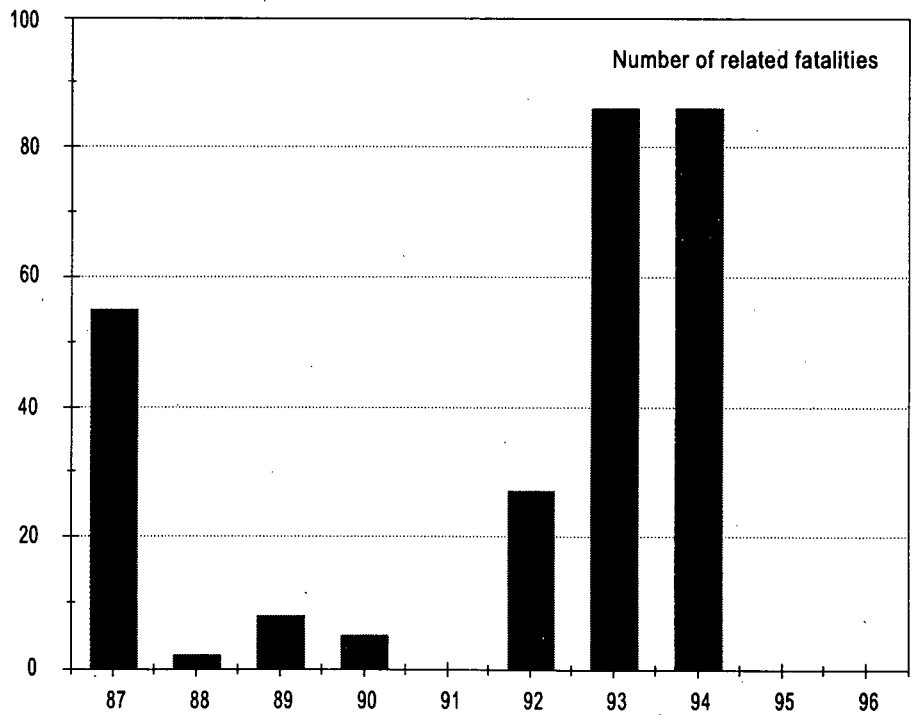
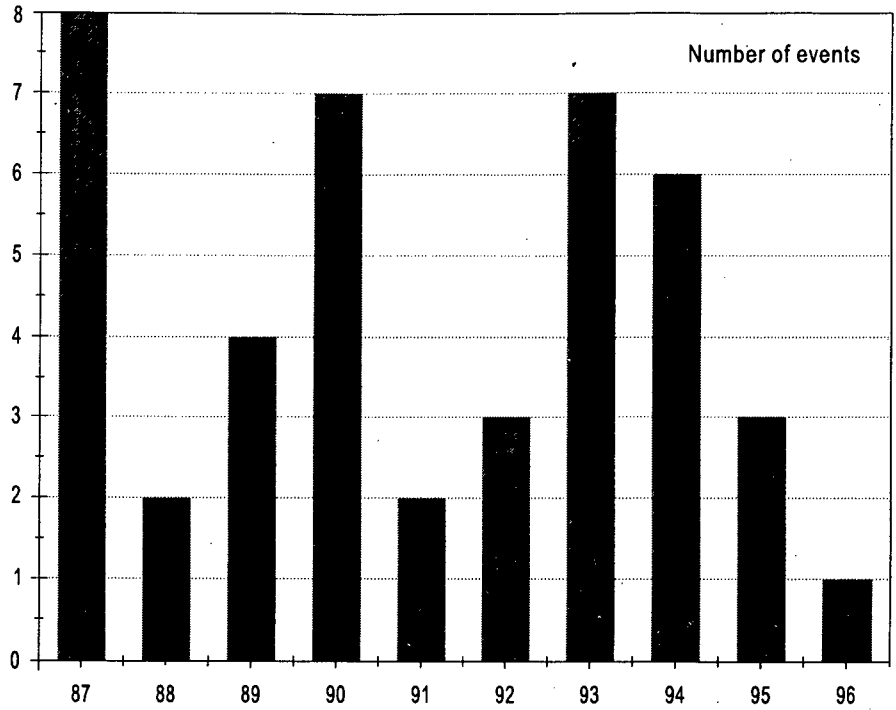
**Aircraft collisions**

The tables present information on collisions between two aircraft (collisions between an aircraft and other objects are not included).



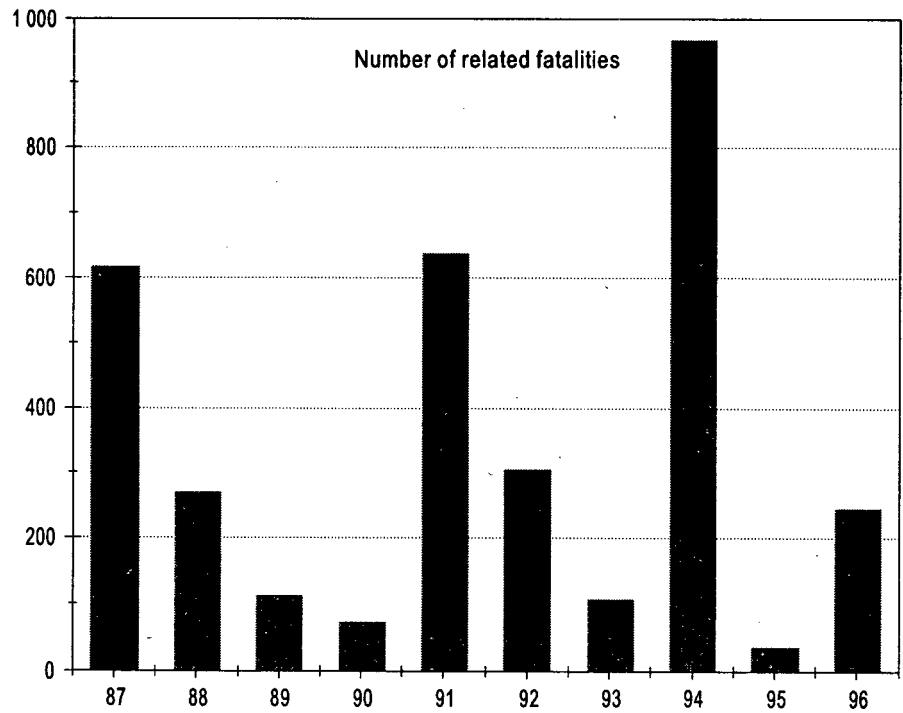
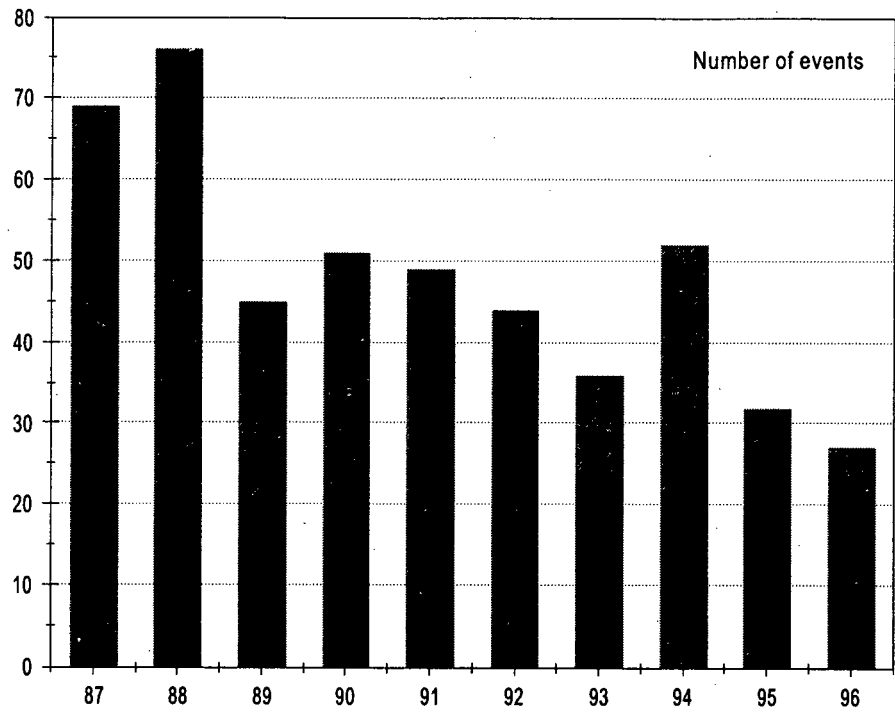
**Icing**

The tables present information on occurrences in which either an event "aircraft encountered icing" was coded, or "icing" was coded as a factor.



**Loss of control**

The tables present information on accidents in which at least one event was coded as "loss of control".



## **Part III**

# **INFORMATION FOR THE YEAR 1995**

*Note.— Tables 1 to 4 provide data for 1995 and 1996. The charts that follow provide data up to 1995 only.*

**Table 1. Accidents and incidents by type of operation and aircraft mass**

1995

Type of operation and aircraft mass	Number of reports			Number of occurrences			Number of fatalities				Number of aircraft destroyed
	PR	DR	Unofficial	Fatal	Non-fatal	Total	Crew	Pax	Other	Total	
<b>I. Accidents to aeroplanes</b>											
Scheduled airline operations											
Aeroplanes: over 27 000 kg	14	34	29	10	67	77	52	631	3	686	13
Aeroplanes: 2 250 to 27 000 kg	18	16	20	24	30	54	40	164	0	204	27
Non-scheduled airline operations											
Aeroplanes: over 27 000 kg	5	3	6	4	10	14	5	144	6	155	6
Aeroplanes: 2 250 to 27 000 kg	38	32	29	41	58	99	82	177	0	259	46
Other airline operations											
Aeroplanes: over 27 000 kg	0	1	0	1	0	1	3	0	0	3	1
Aeroplanes: 2 250 to 27 000 kg	1	5	5	6	5	11	12	1	0	13	9
General aviation											
Aeroplanes: over 5 700 kg	5	19	8	16	16	32	49	116	0	165	17
Aeroplanes: 2 250 to 5 700 kg	33	197	21	75	176	251	78	91	2	171	96
<b>II. Accidents to helicopters</b>											
Airline operations	5	2	6	7	6	13	19	30	0	49	6
General aviation	29	15	8	19	33	52	26	23	0	49	21
<b>III. Incidents</b>											
Aeroplanes											
Airlines operations	120	73	38	1	230	231	1	0	0	1	0
General aviation	18	1	2	0	21	21	0	0	0	0	0
Helicopters											
Airline operations	2	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0
General aviation	3	1	0	0	4	4	0	0	0	0	0



**Table 2. Accidents and incidents by type of operation and type of powerplant**

1995

Type of operation and type of powerplant	Number of reports			Number of occurrences			Number of fatalities				Number of aircraft destroyed
	PR	DR	Unofficial	Fatal	Non- fatal	Total	Crew	Pax	Other	Total	
<b>I. Fixed wing aircraft</b>											
<b>Scheduled airline operations</b>											
Turbofan/turbojet	74	78	61	11	202	213	53	631	3	687	14
Turboprop	48	38	17	19	84	103	33	149	0	182	17
Piston	7	1	5	5	8	13	7	15	0	22	9
<b>Non-scheduled airline operations</b>											
Turbofan/turbojet	12	7	7	5	21	26	9	12	6	27	7
Turboprop	22	11	16	16	33	49	41	276	0	317	22
Piston	32	23	15	24	46	70	37	33	0	70	23
<b>Other airline operations</b>											
Turbofan/turbojet	0	1	2	1	2	3	3	0	0	3	2
Turboprop	1	3	3	5	2	7	10	1	0	11	6
Piston	0	2	1	1	2	3	2	0	0	2	2
<b>General aviation</b>											
Turbofan/turbojet	11	13	2	4	22	26	8	3	0	11	4
Turboprop	7	31	7	14	31	45	42	115	1	158	18
Piston	38	173	22	73	160	233	77	89	1	167	91
<b>II. Helicopters</b>											
<b>Airline operations</b>											
Turboshaft	7	2	6	7	8	15	19	30	0	49	6
<b>General aviation</b>											
Turboshaft	27	16	8	18	33	51	26	22	0	48	19
Piston	5	0	0	1	4	5	0	1	0	1	2

**Table 3. Accidents and incidents by type of operation and aircraft mass**

**1996**

Type of operation and aircraft mass	Number of reports			Number of occurrences			Number of fatalities				Number of aircraft destroyed
	PR	DR	Unofficial	Fatal	Non-fatal	Total	Crew	Pax	Other	Total	
<b>I. Accidents to aeroplanes</b>											
Scheduled airline operations											
Aeroplanes: over 27 000 kg	21	11	60	15	77	92	92	1 140	51	1 283	16
Aeroplanes: 2 250 to 27 000 kg	10	7	28	14	31	45	23	115	0	138	15
Non-scheduled airline operations											
Aeroplanes: over 27 000 kg	11	3	8	10	12	22	73	349	2	424	9
Aeroplanes: 2 250 to 27 000 kg	41	17	22	31	49	80	42	137	239	418	31
Other airline operations											
Aeroplanes: over 27 000 kg	1	1	1	1	2	3	4	0	0	4	2
Aeroplanes: 2 250 to 27 000 kg	4	1	2	4	3	7	10	0	10	20	5
General aviation											
Aeroplanes: over 5 700 kg	5	7	13	13	12	25	34	103	2	139	16
Aeroplanes: 2 250 to 5 700 kg	37	69	30	48	88	136	60	40	0	100	65
<b>II. Accidents to helicopters</b>											
Airline operations	5	0	7	3	9	12	6	11	0	17	4
General aviation	24	5	8	14	23	37	22	31	0	53	16
<b>III. Incidents</b>											
Aeroplanes											
Airlines operations	90	40	129	1	258	259	0	0	0	0	0
General aviation	20	3	14	0	37	37	0	0	0	0	0
Helicopters											
Airline operations	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
General aviation	5	0	0	0	5	5	0	0	0	0	0

**Table 4. Accidents and incidents by type of operation and type of powerplant**

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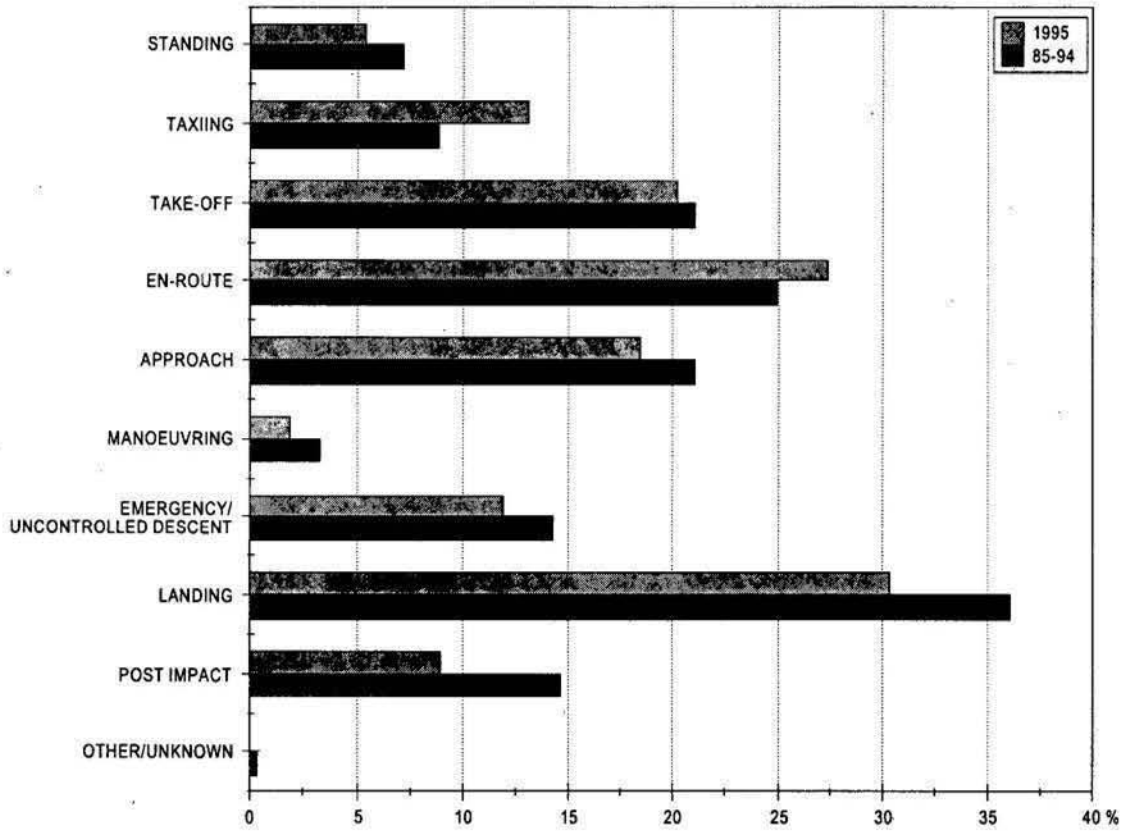
Type of operation and type of powerplant	Number of reports			Number of occurrences			Number of fatalities				Number of aircraft destroyed
	PR	DR	Unofficial	Fatal	Non- fatal	Total	Crew	Pax	Other	Total	
<b>I. Fixed wing aircraft</b>											
<b>Scheduled airline operations</b>											
Turbofan/turbojet	76	37	170	16	267	283	93	1 137	50	1 280	16
Turboprop	31	12	20	9	54	63	16	102	1	119	9
Piston	5	2	14	5	16	21	6	16	0	22	6
<b>Non-scheduled airline operations</b>											
Turbofan/turbojet	13	8	16	11	26	37	74	367	2	443	12
Turboprop	19	3	13	13	22	35	24	83	239	346	12
Piston	28	15	12	17	38	55	17	36	0	53	16
<b>Other airline operations</b>											
Turbofan/turbojet	3	0	1	2	2	4	5	0	0	5	3
Turboprop	2	2	2	2	4	6	5	0	0	5	2
Piston	1	1	1	1	2	3	4	0	10	14	2
<b>General aviation</b>											
Turbofan/turbojet	10	5	11	8	18	26	19	67	0	86	8
Turboprop	18	13	18	17	32	49	25	19	2	46	20
Piston	34	61	28	36	87	123	50	57	0	107	53
<b>II. Helicopters</b>											
<b>Airline operations</b>											
Turboshaft	6	0	7	3	10	13	6	11	0	17	4
<b>General aviation</b>											
Turboshaft	26	5	8	14	25	39	22	31	0	53	16
Piston	3	0	0	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0

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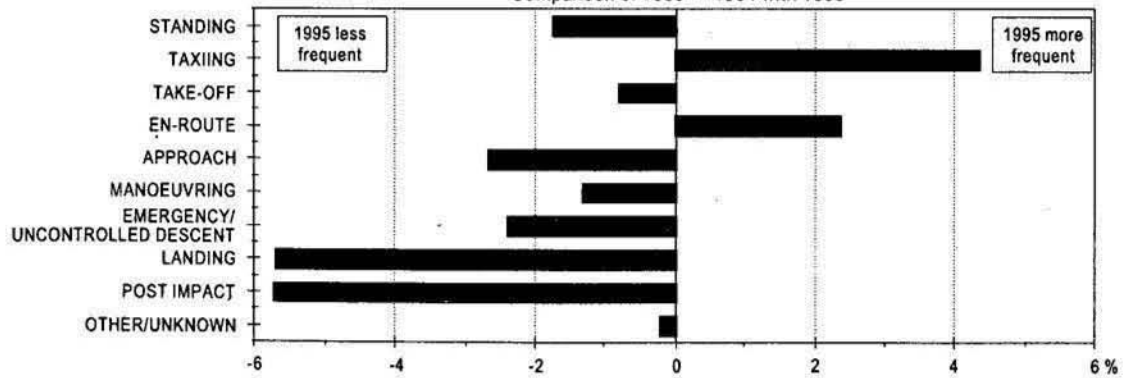
## Airline Operations

### Accidents

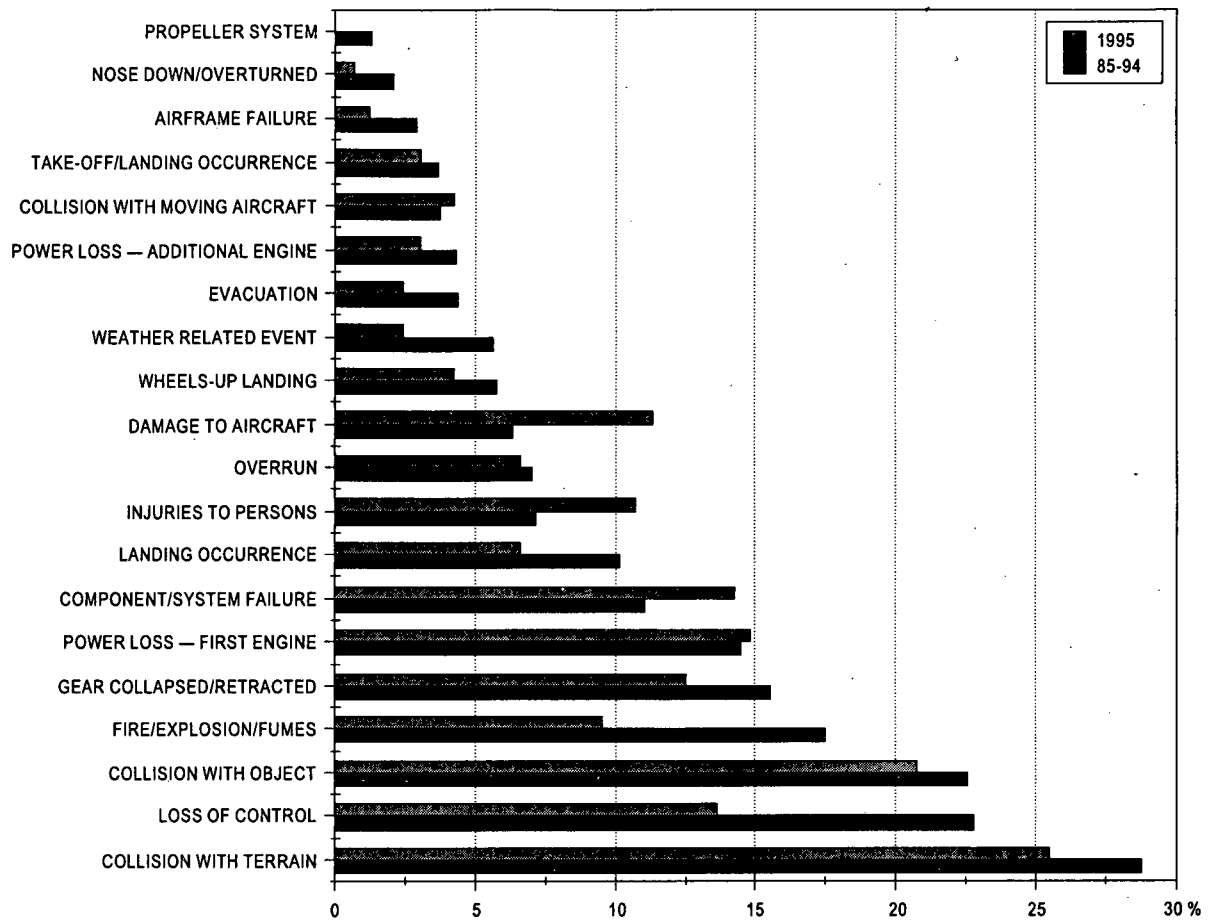
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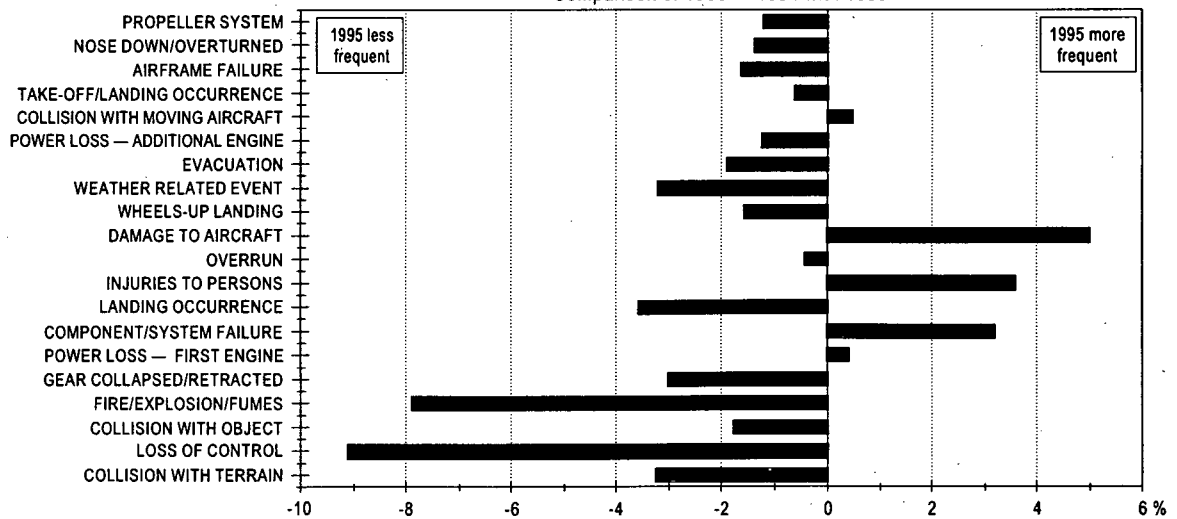
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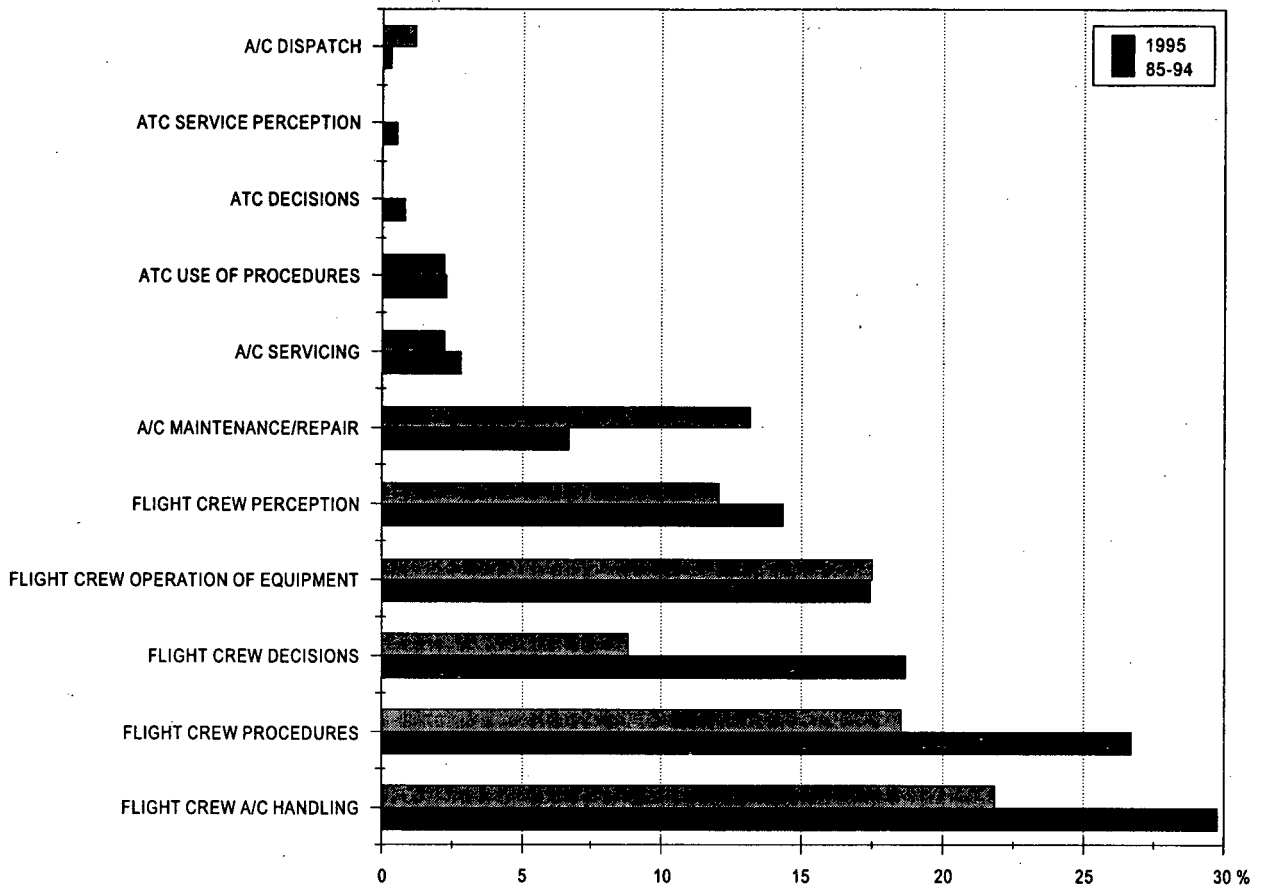
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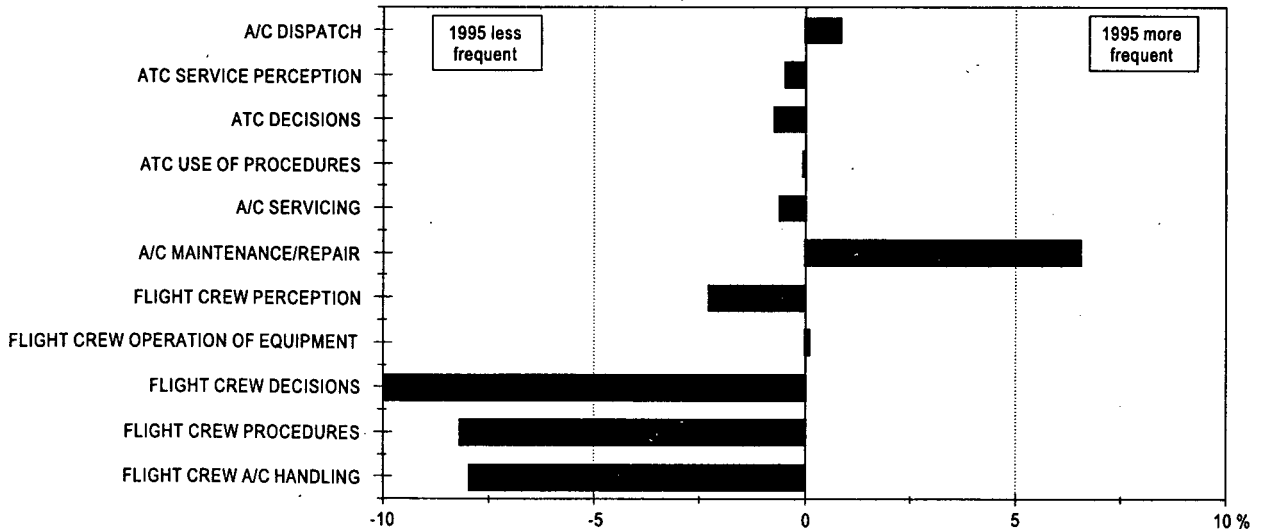
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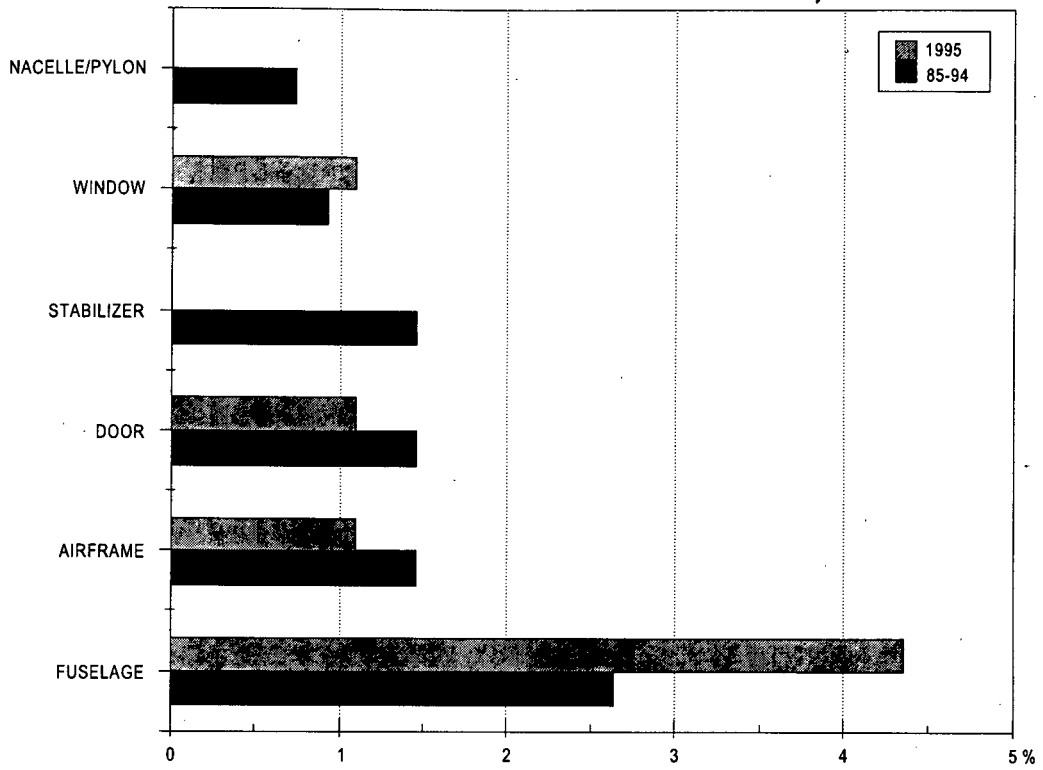
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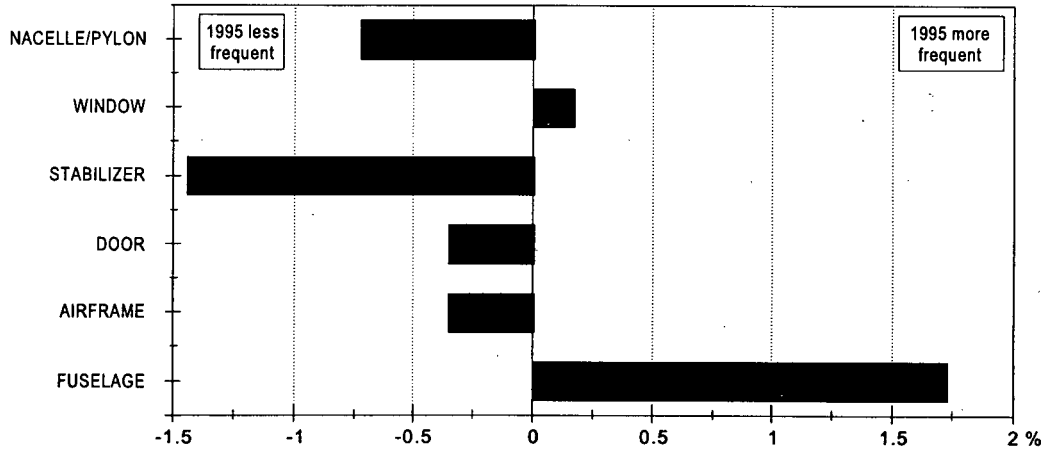
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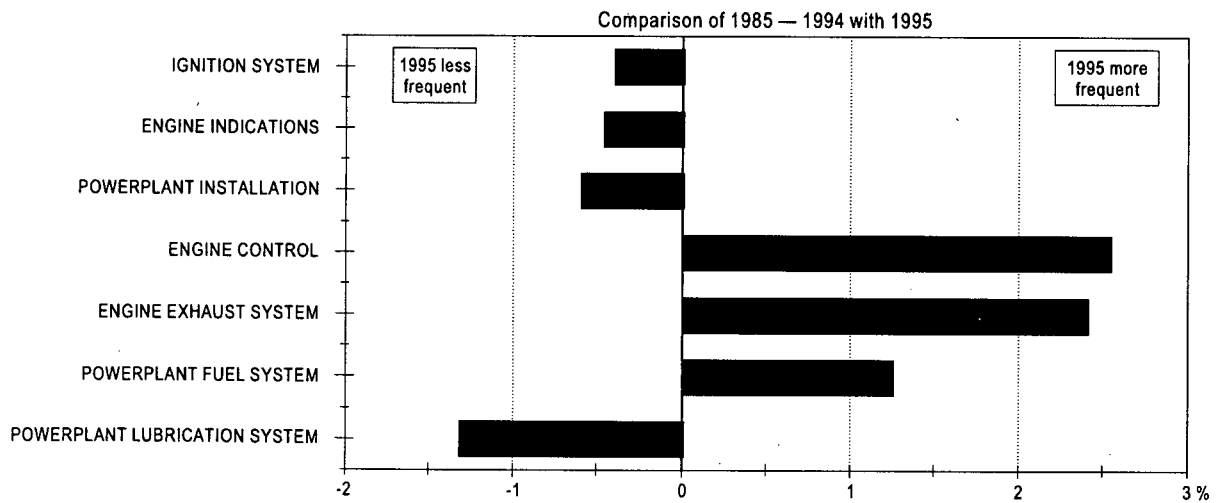
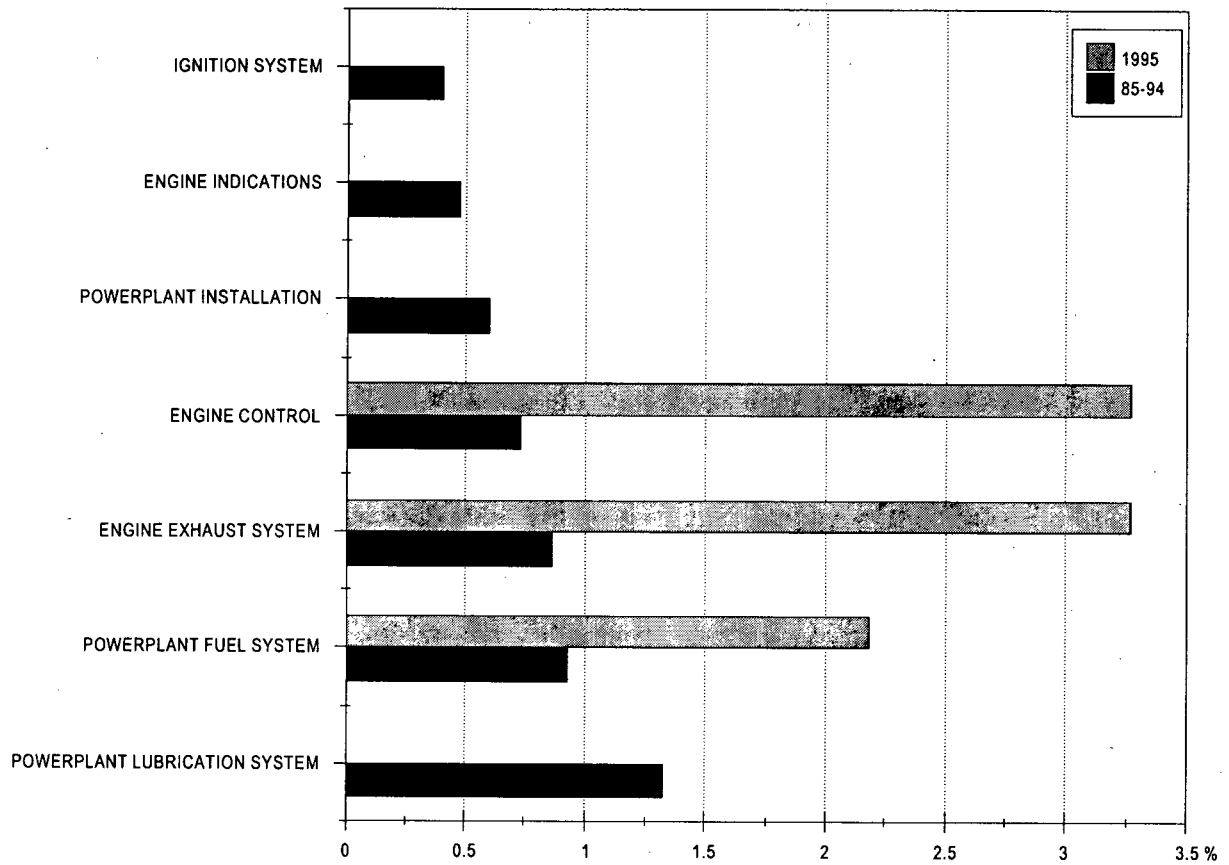
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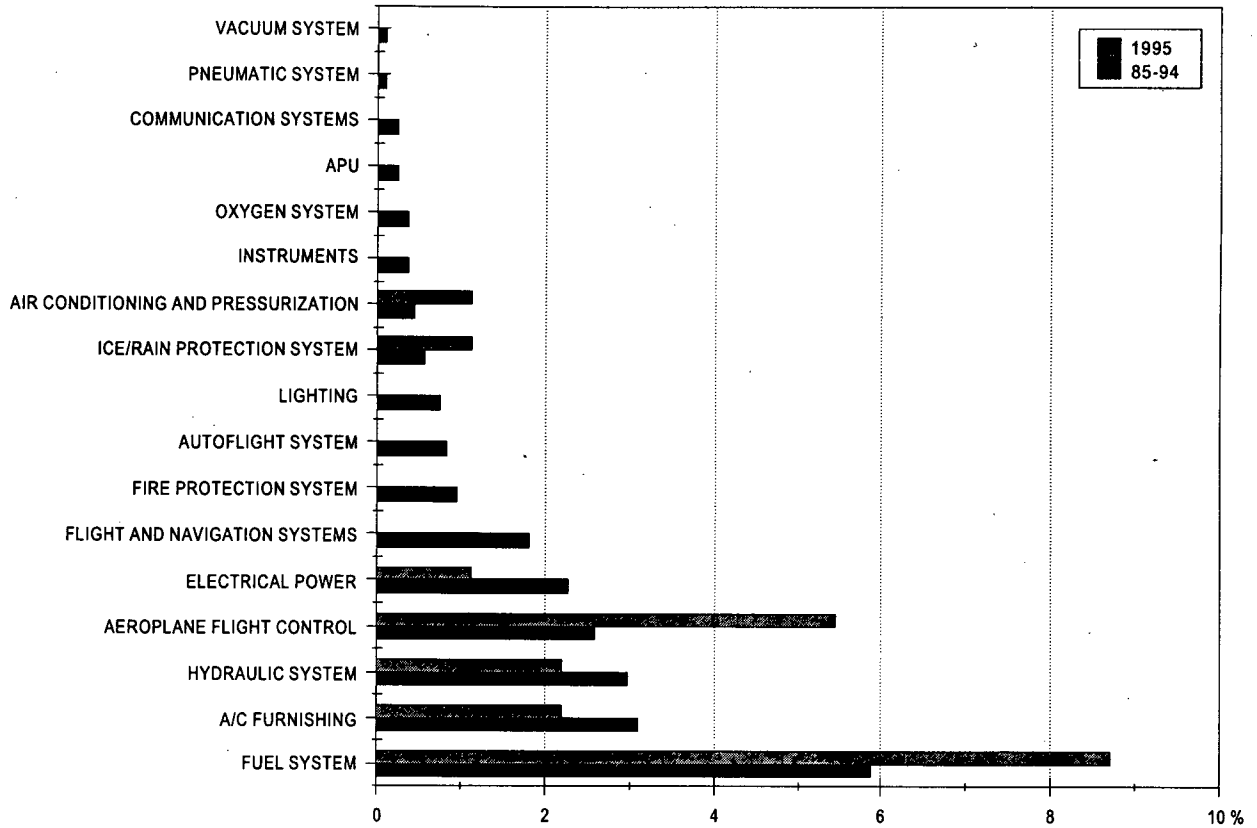


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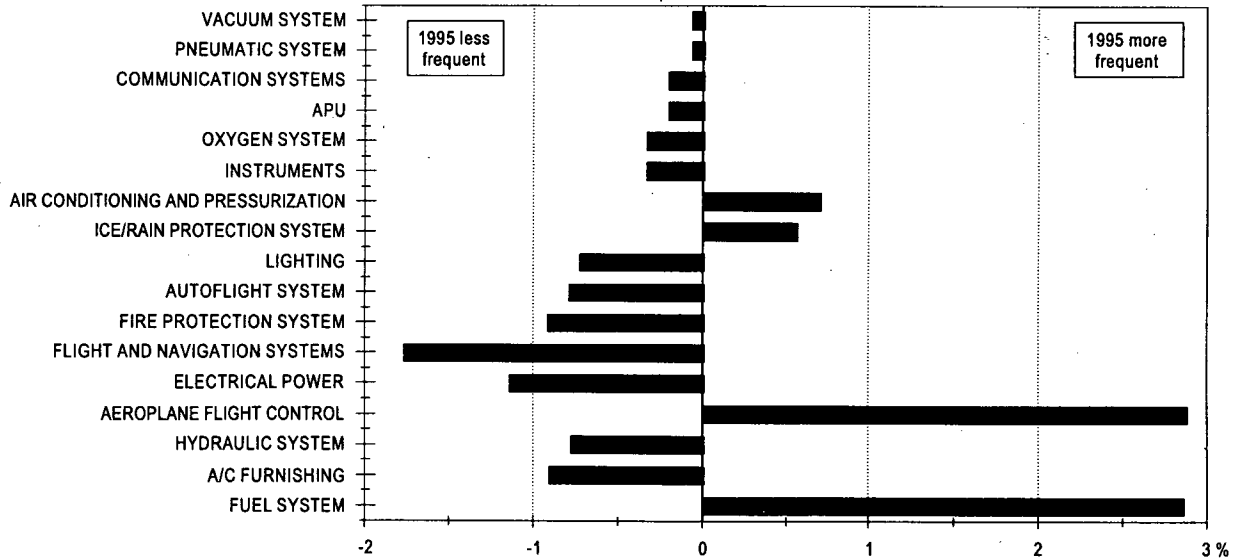




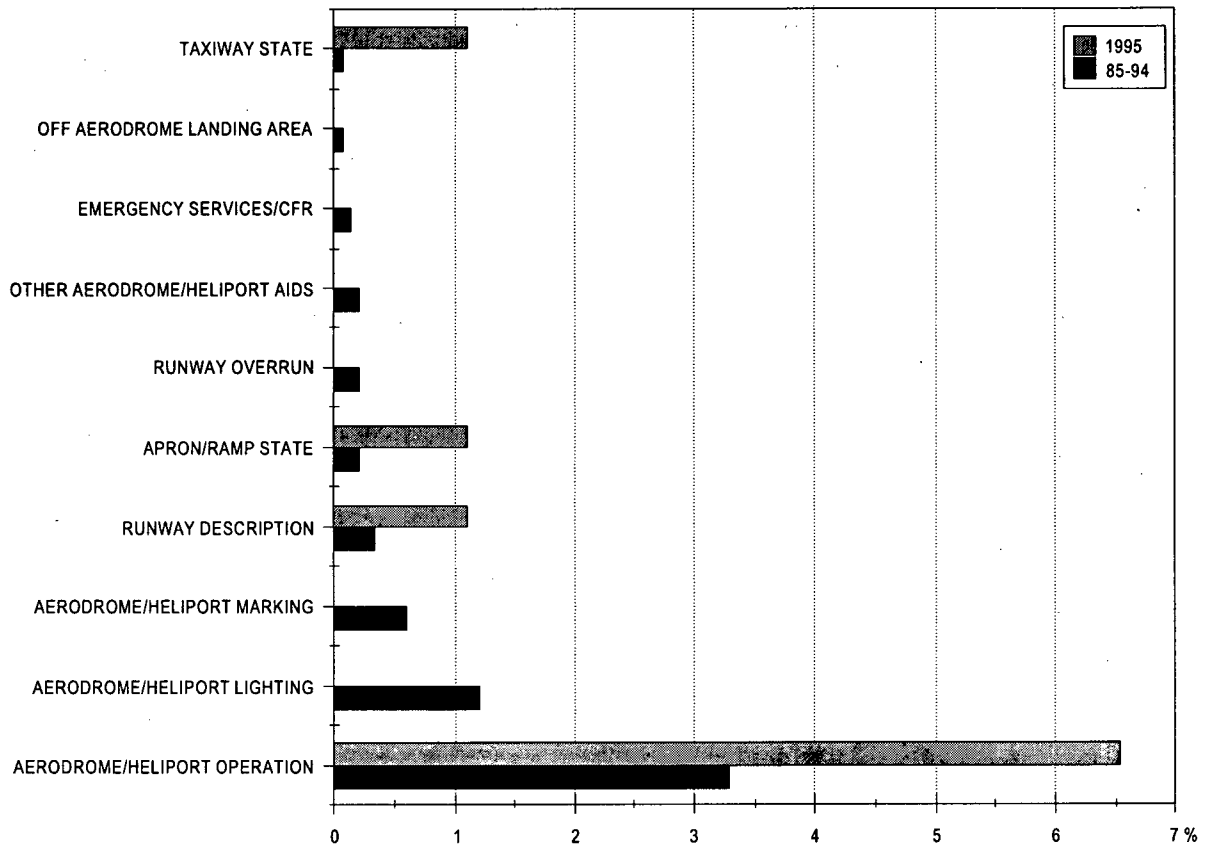
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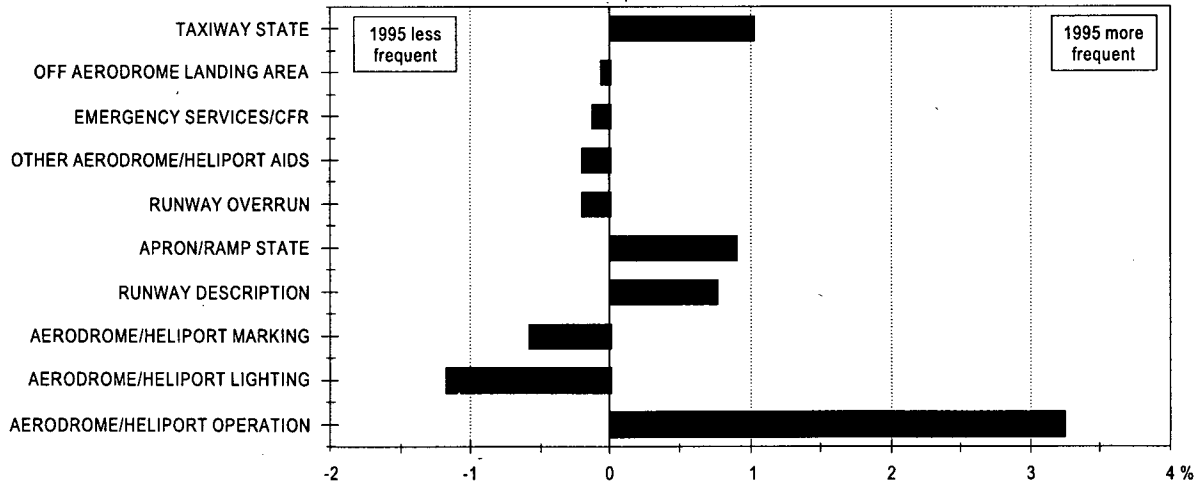
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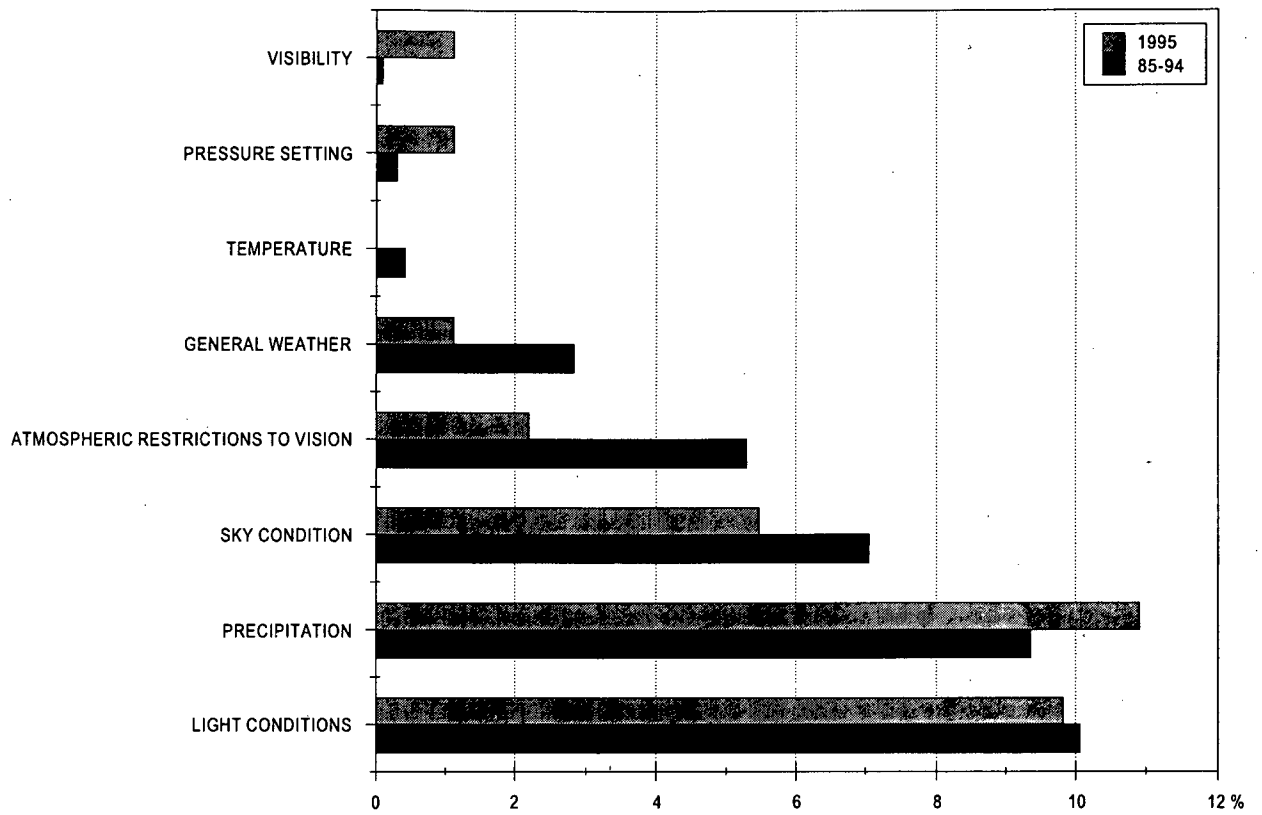
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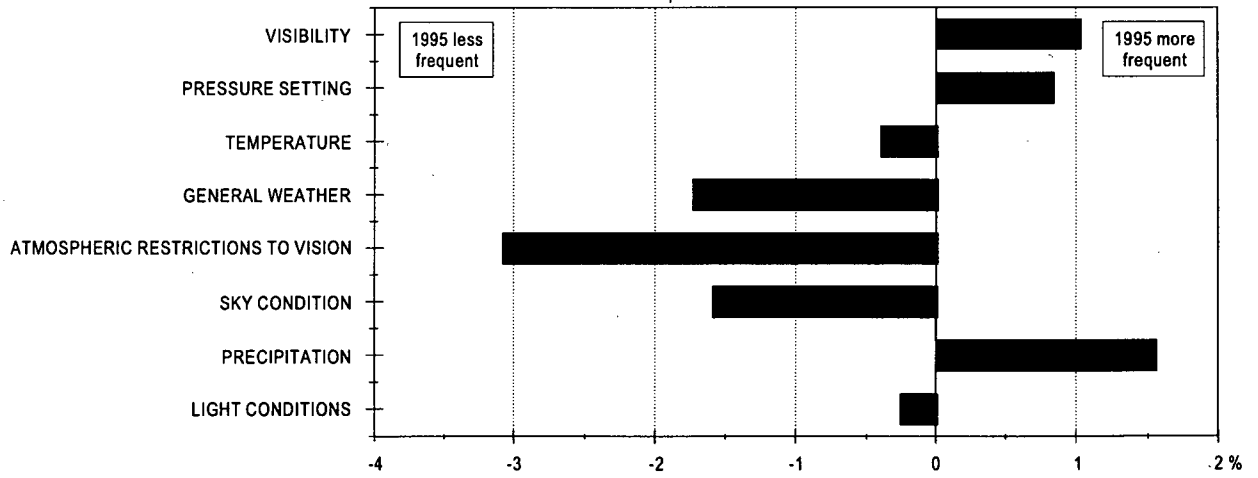
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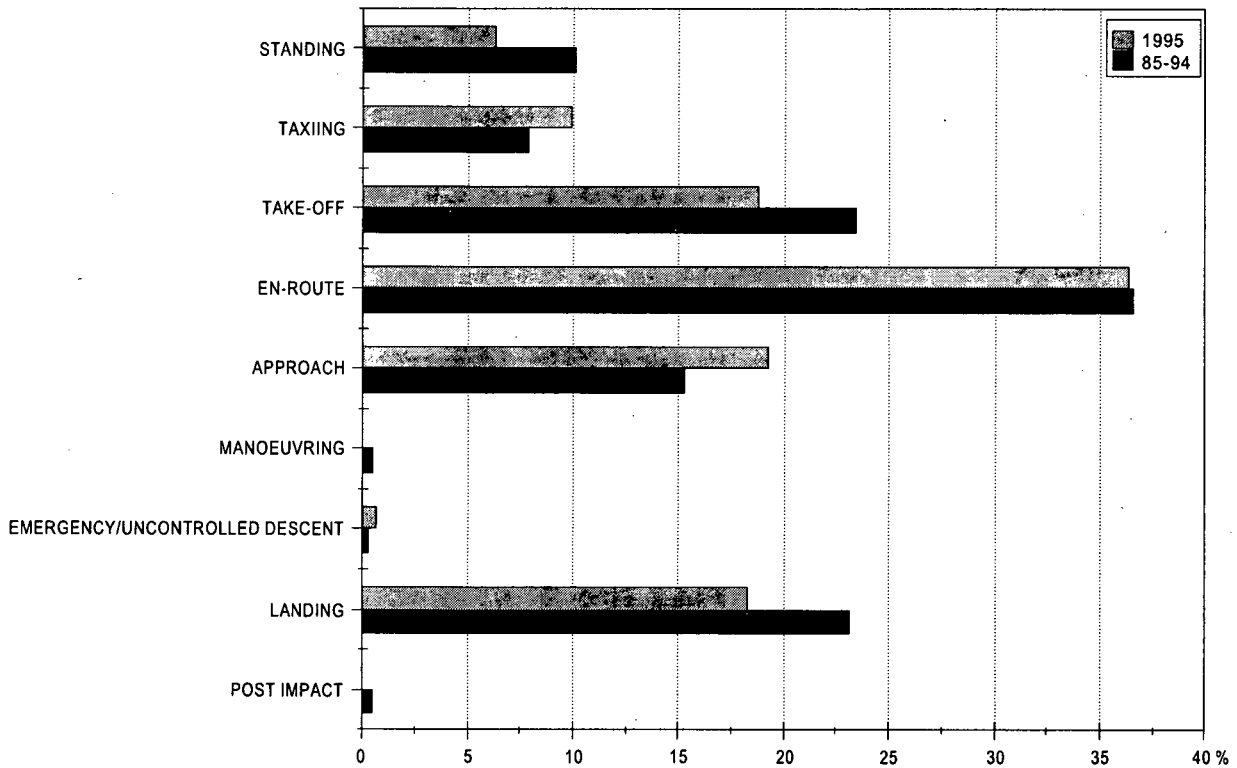


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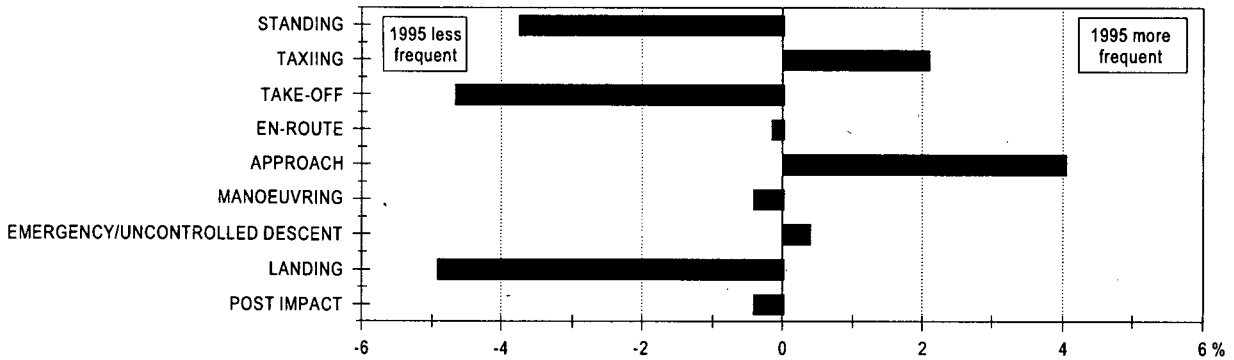
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### Incidents

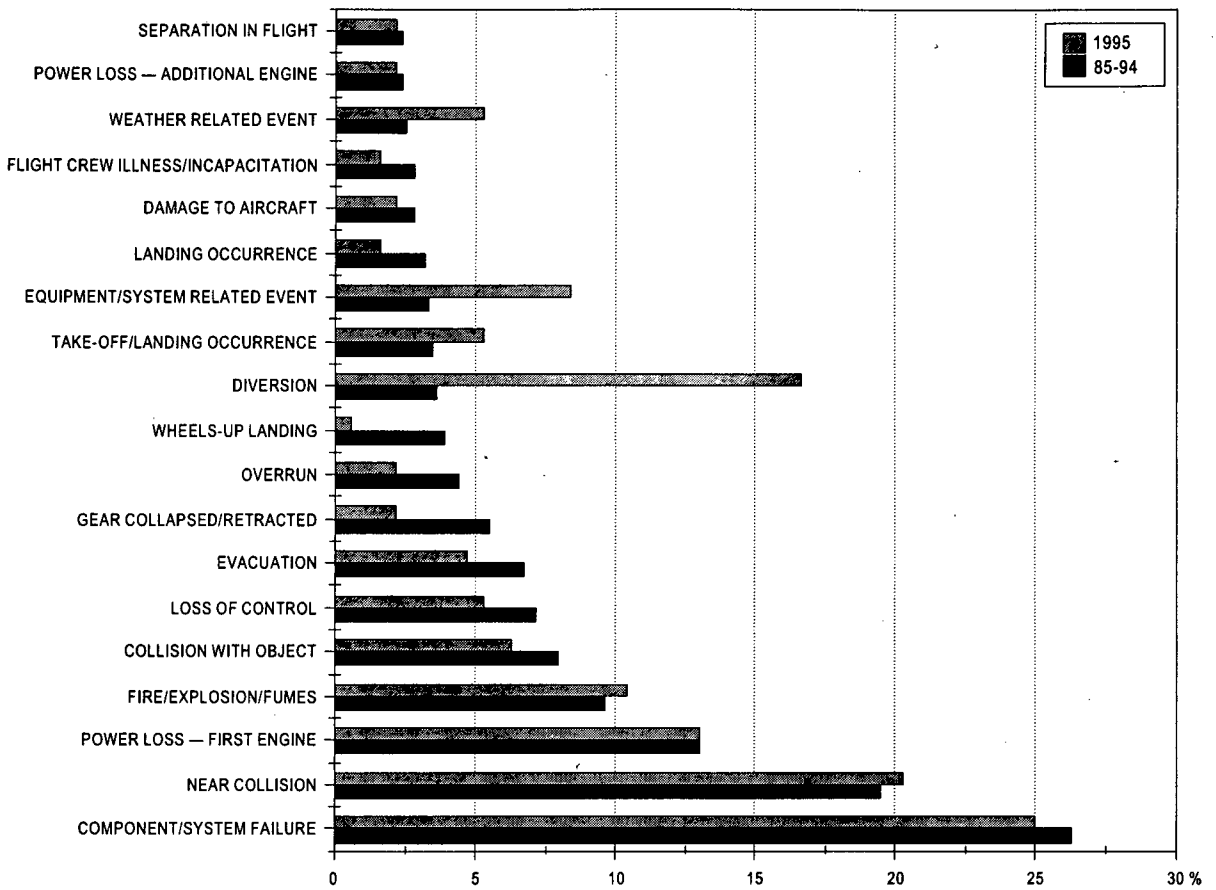
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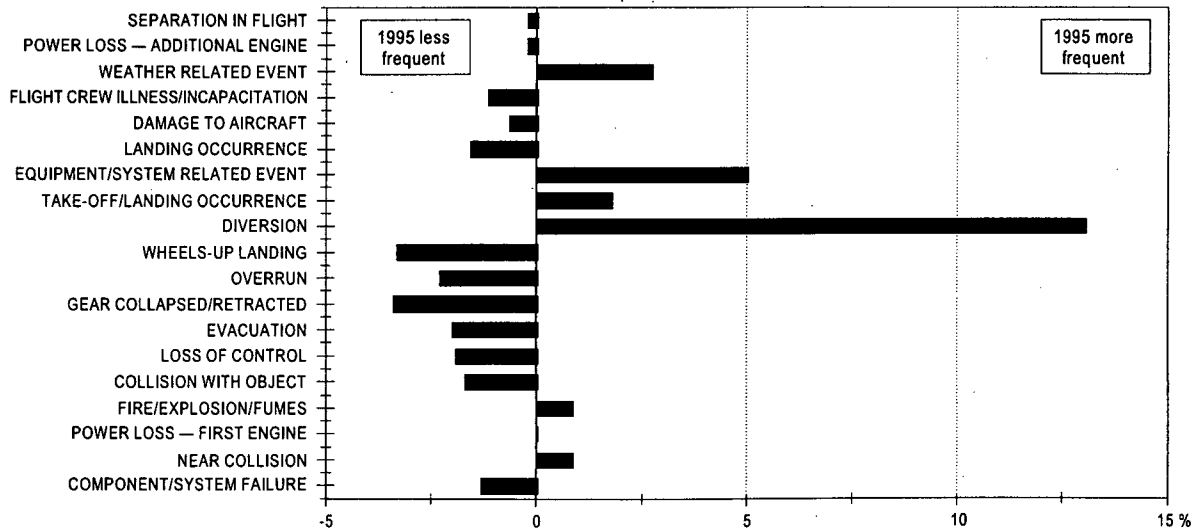
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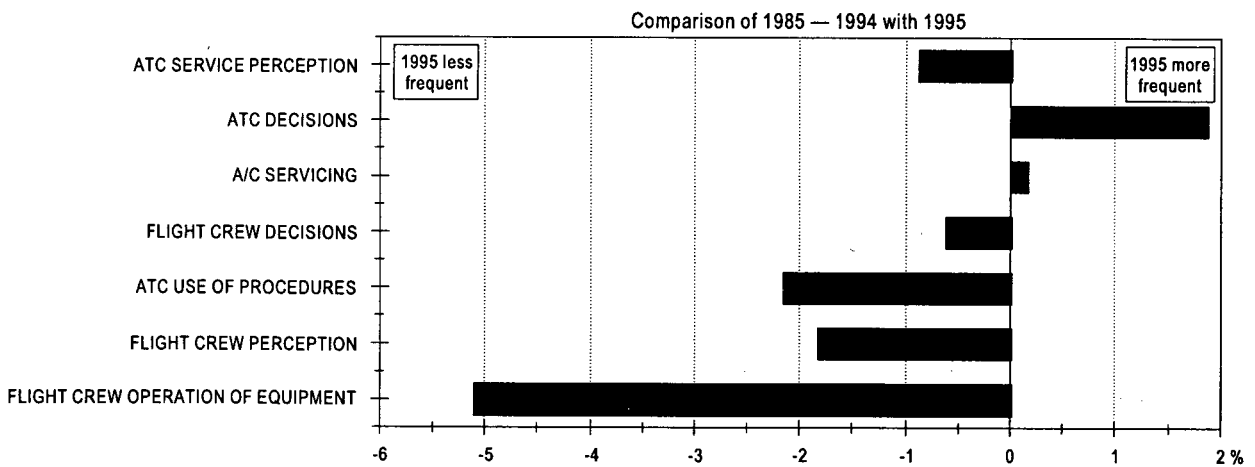
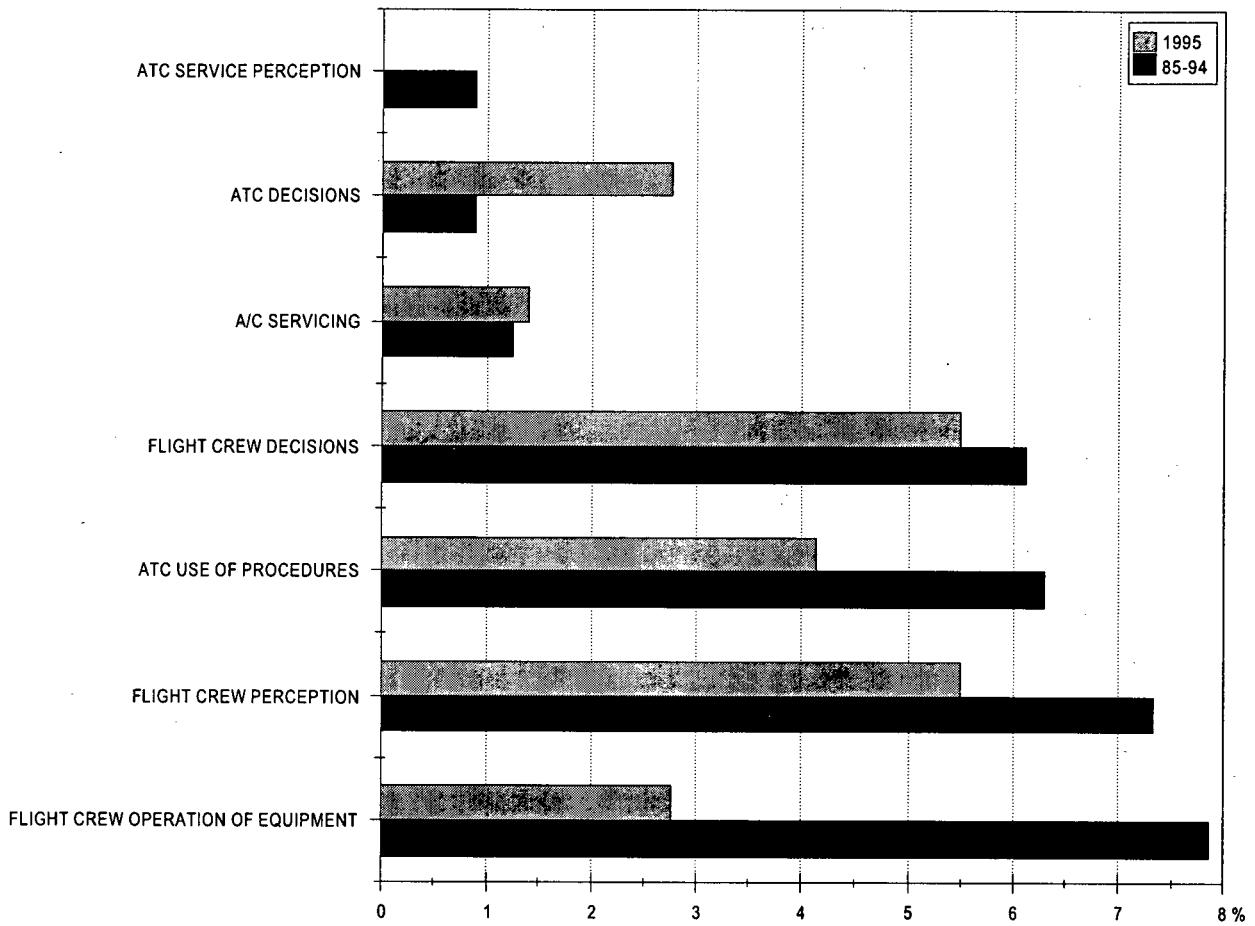
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Comparison of 1985 — 1994 with 1995



**Personnel factors**

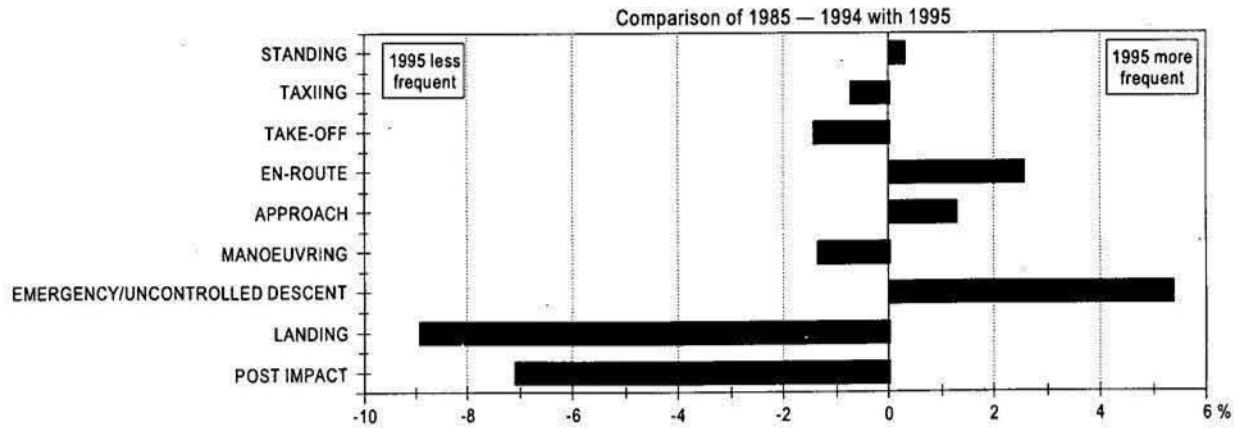
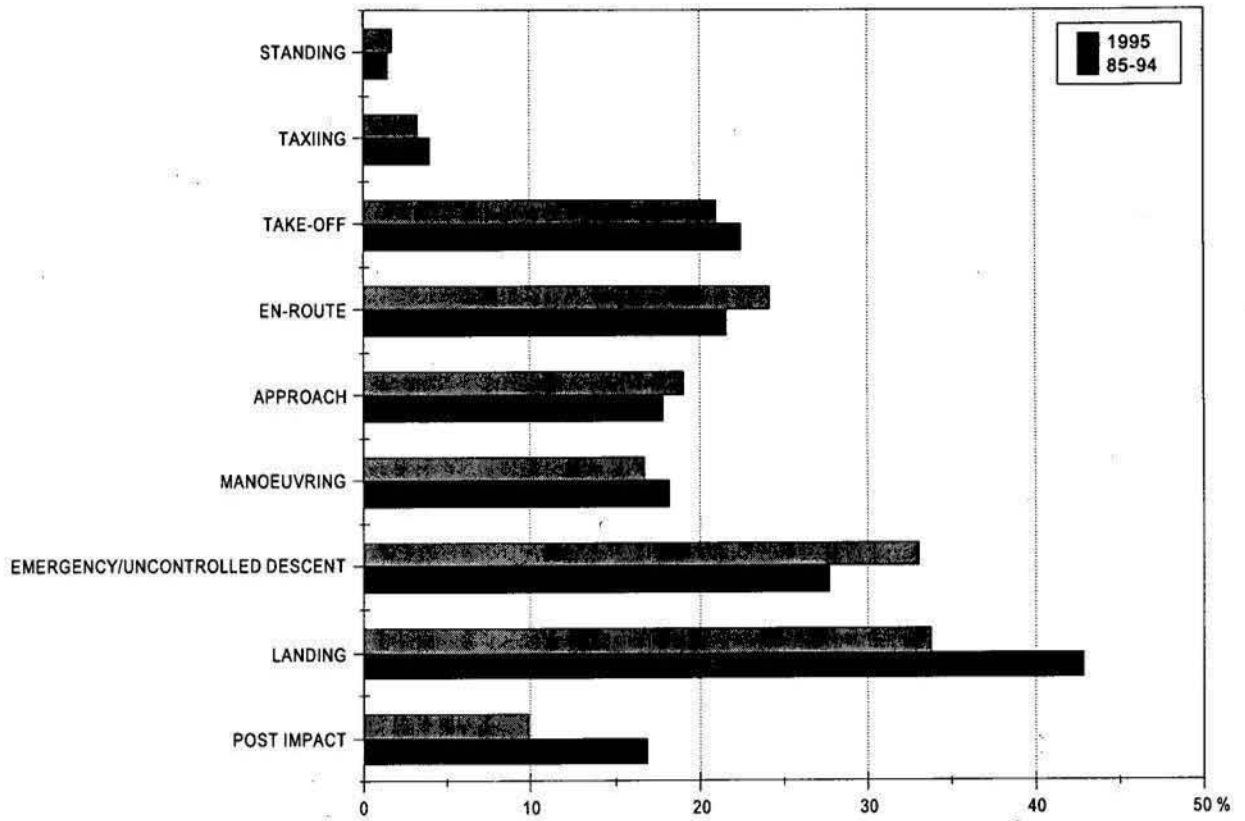


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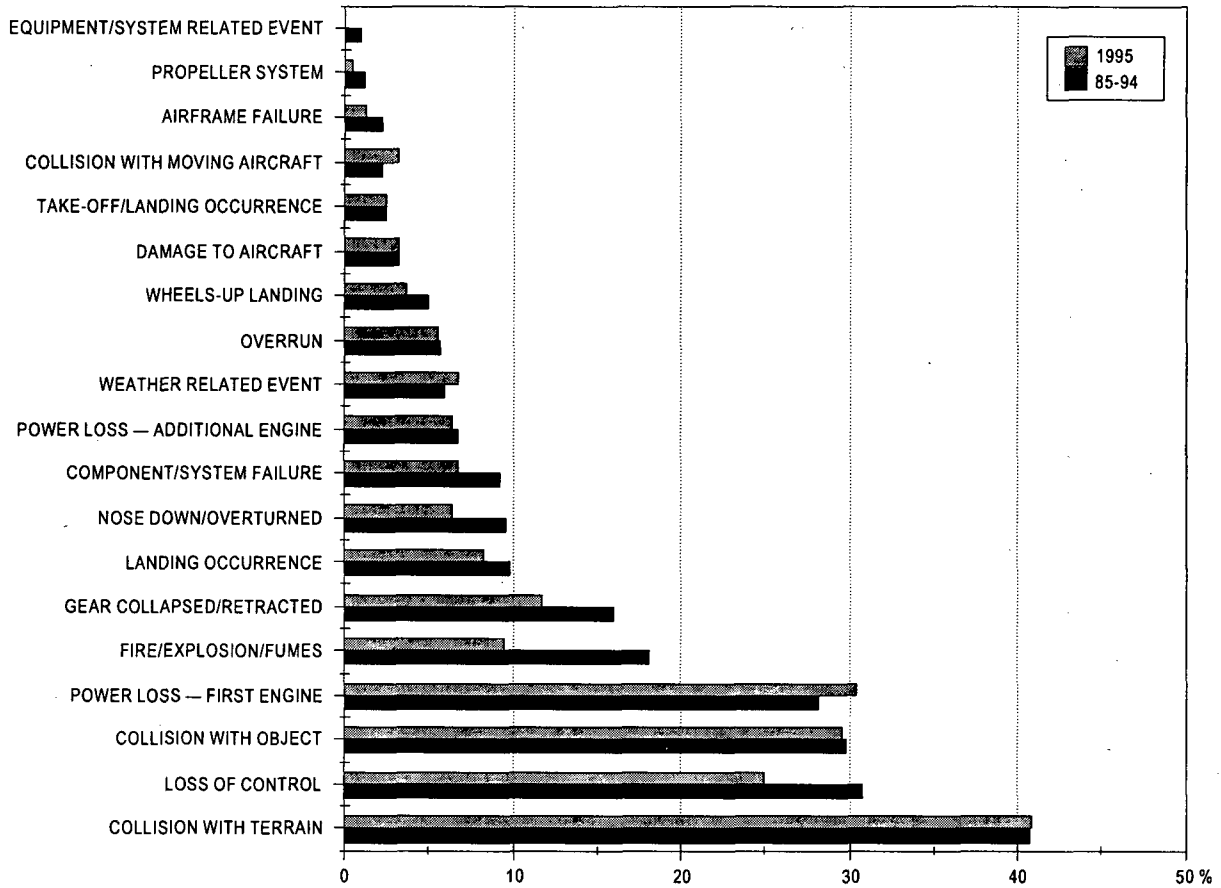
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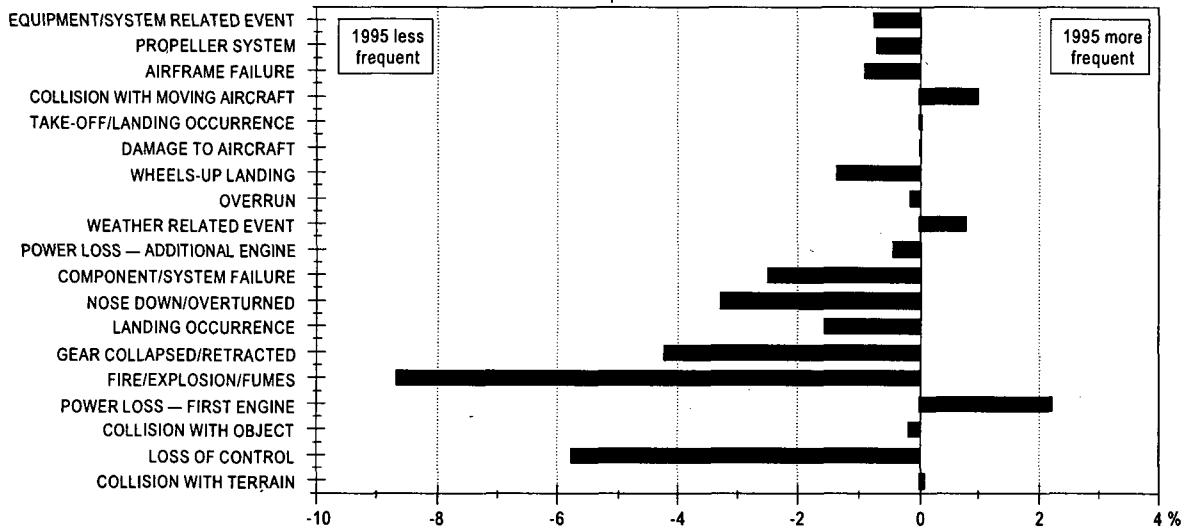
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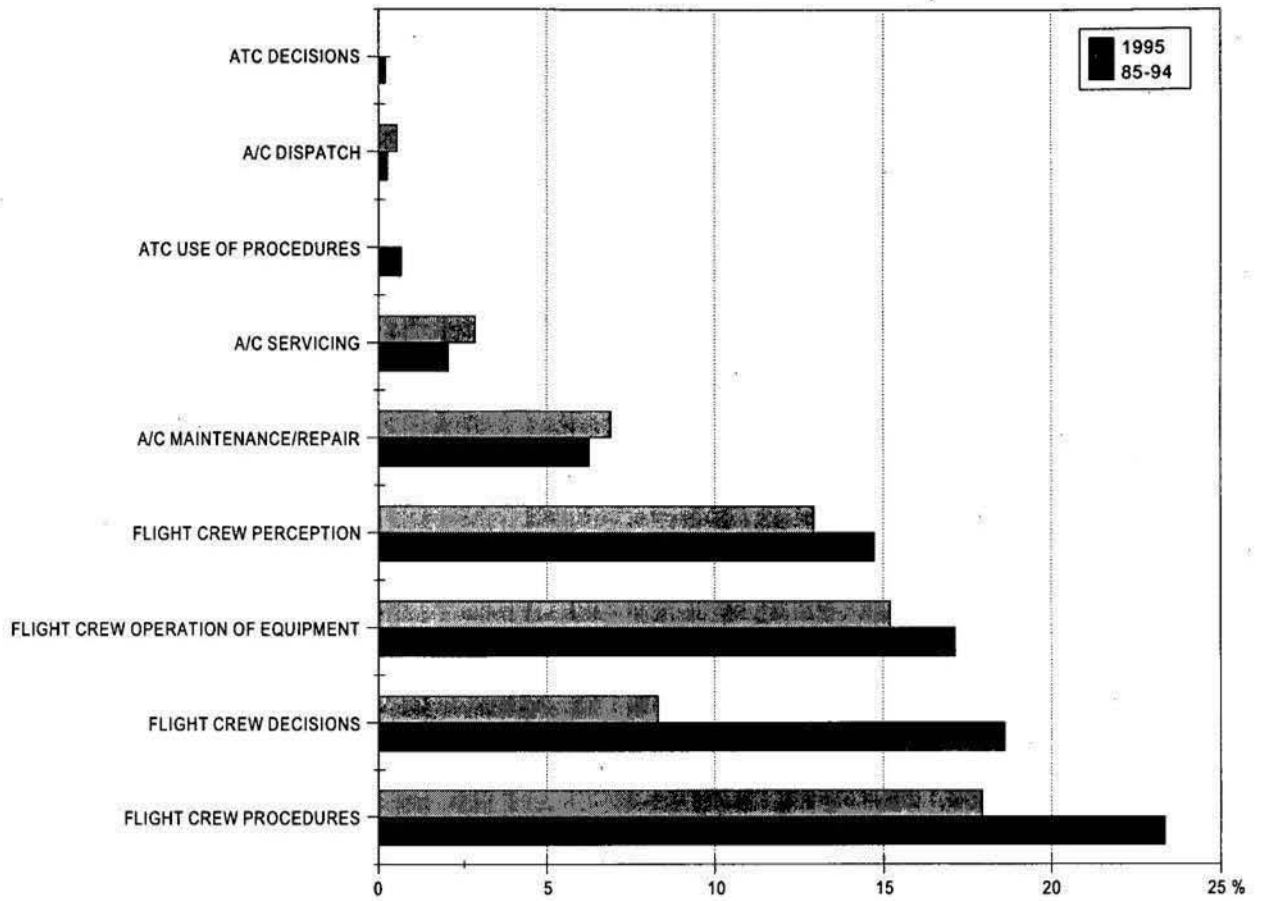


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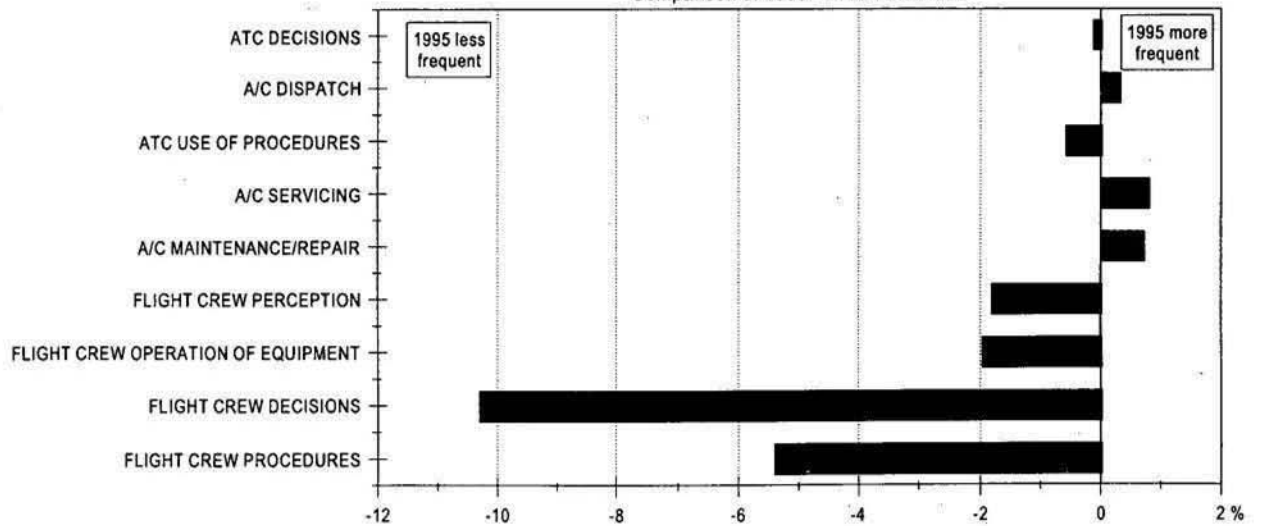




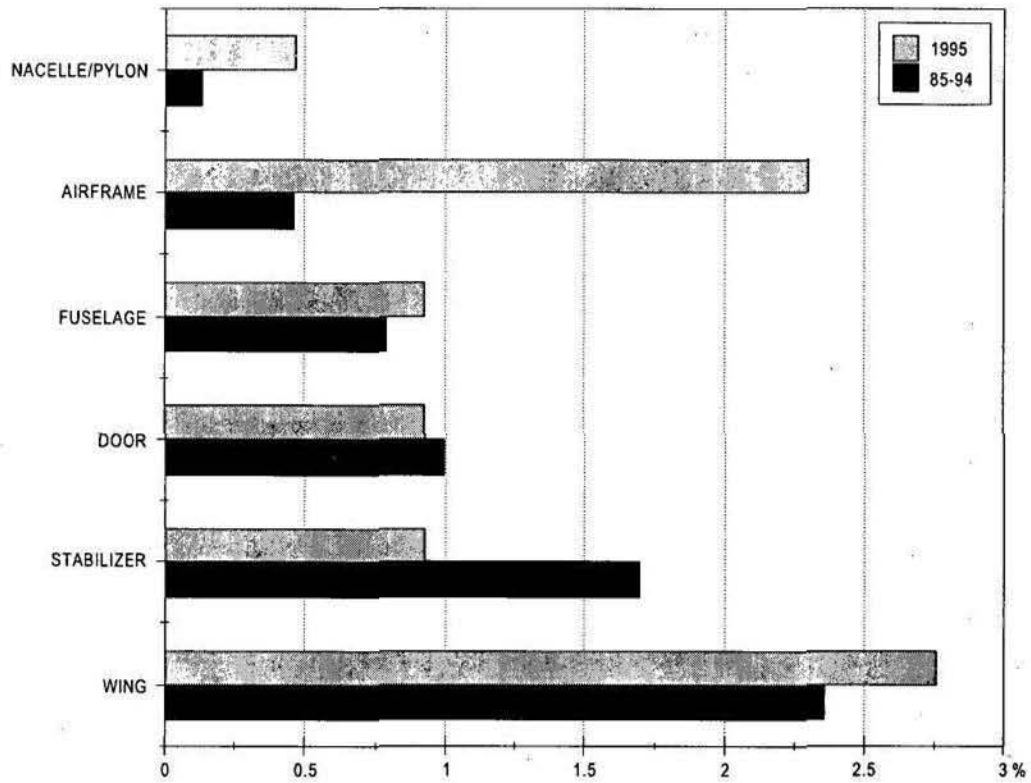
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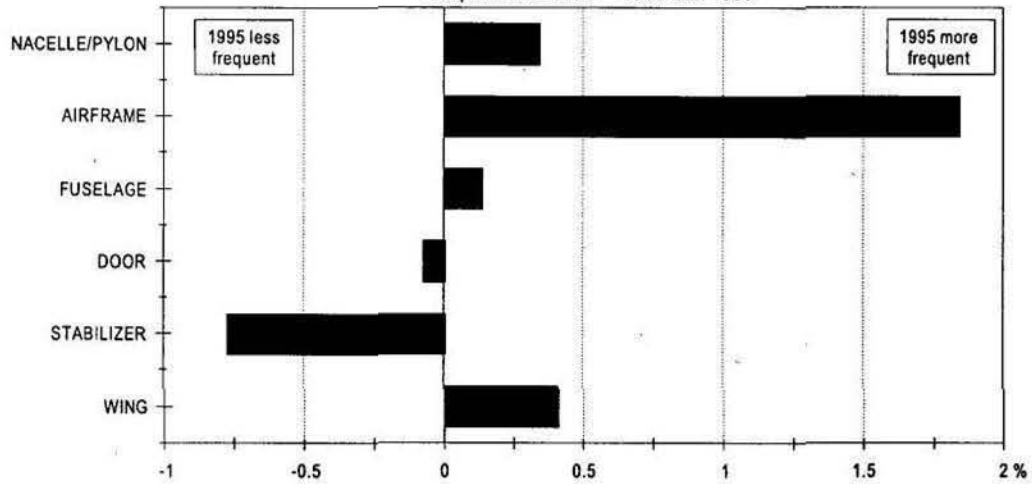
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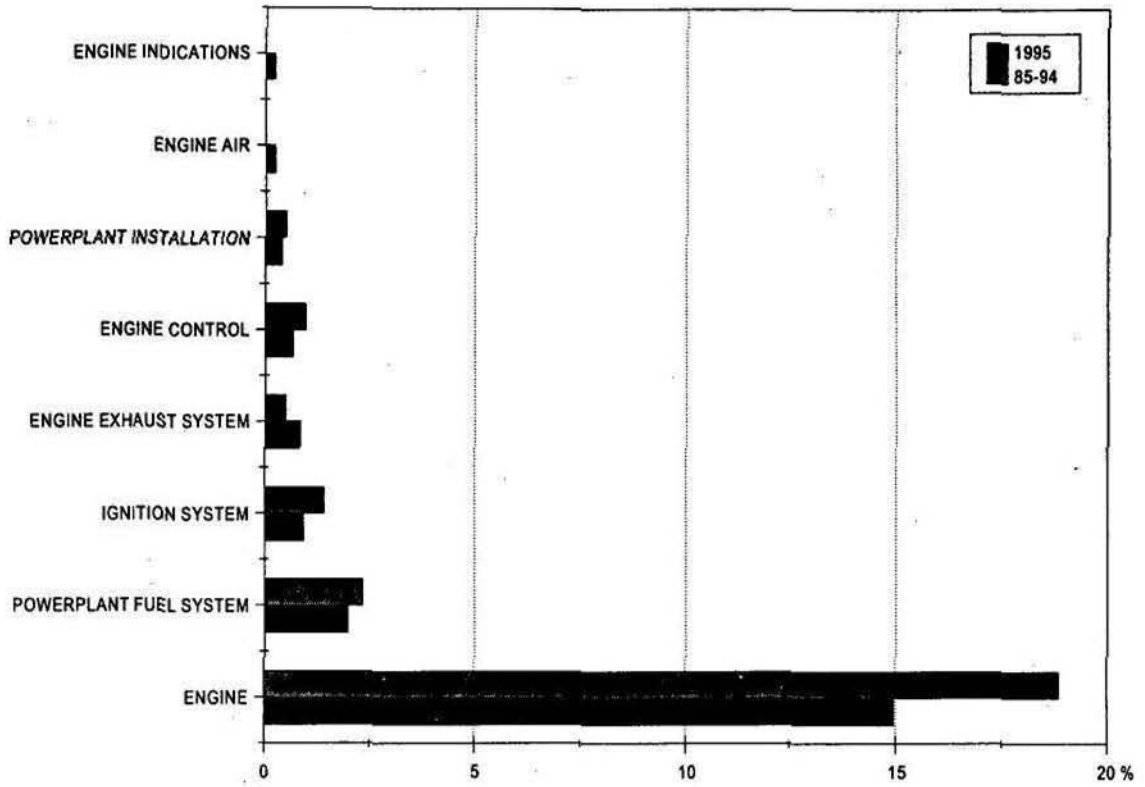
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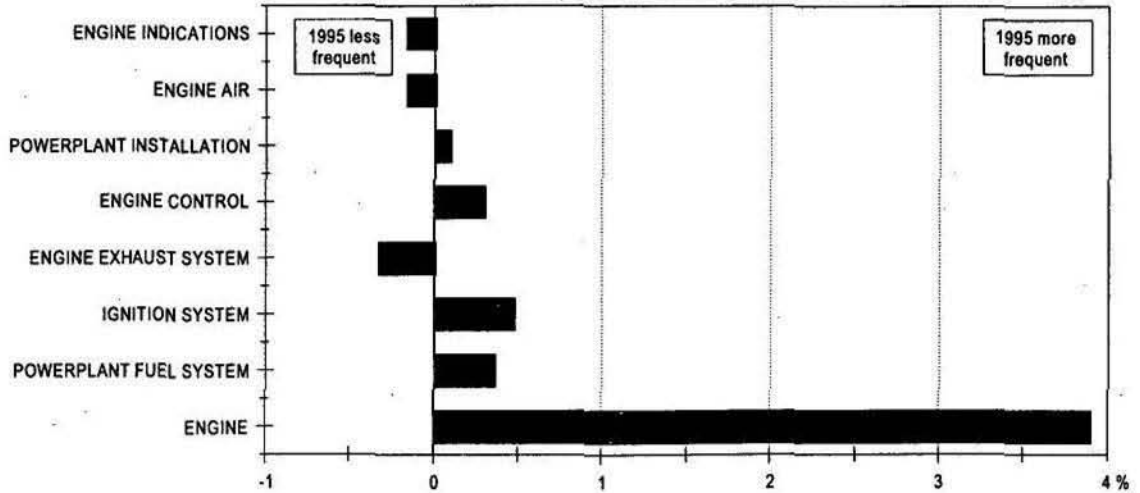
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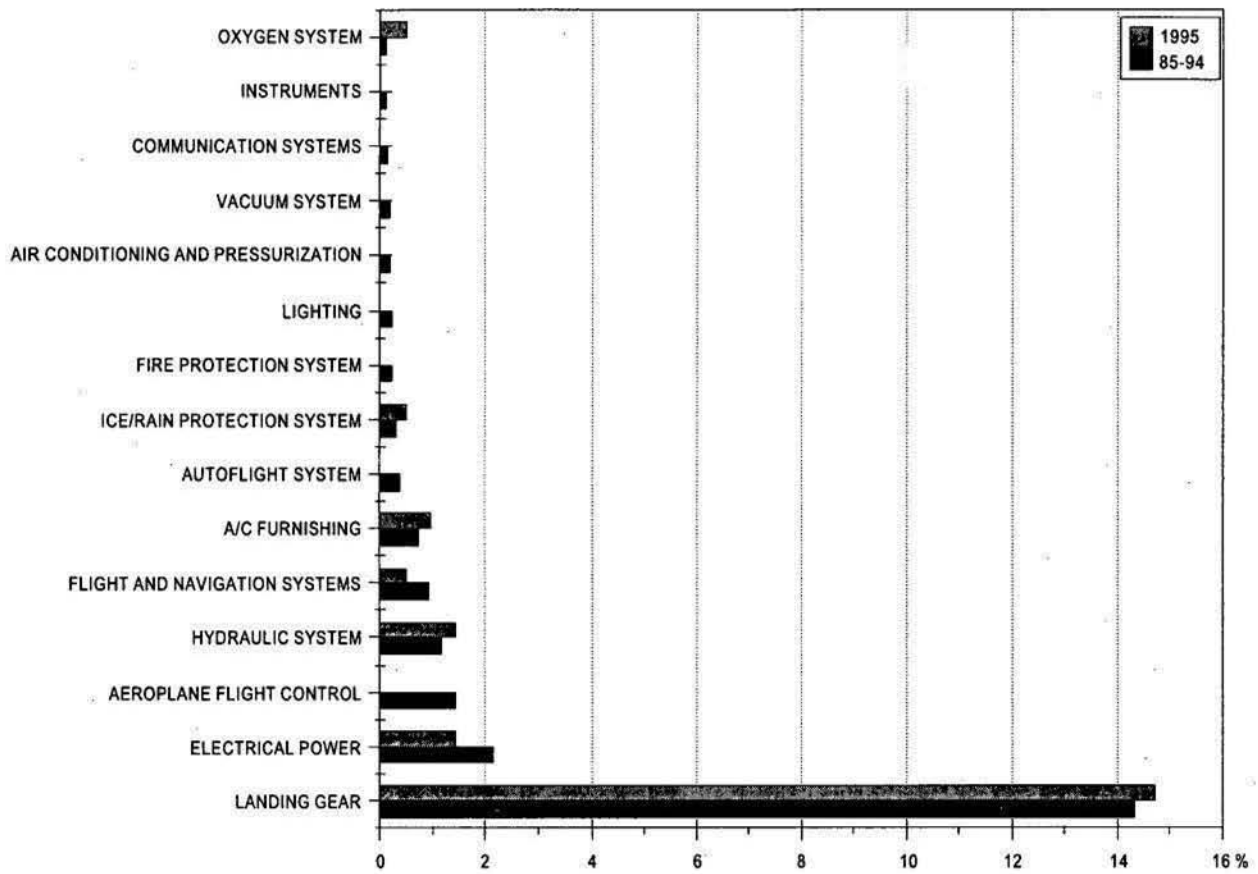
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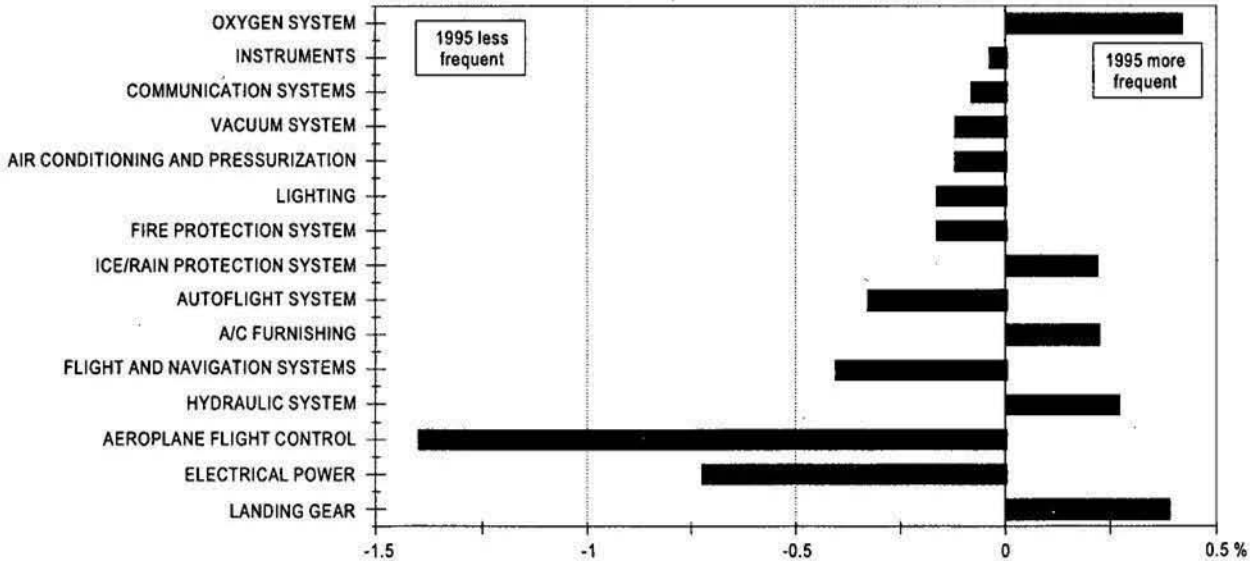
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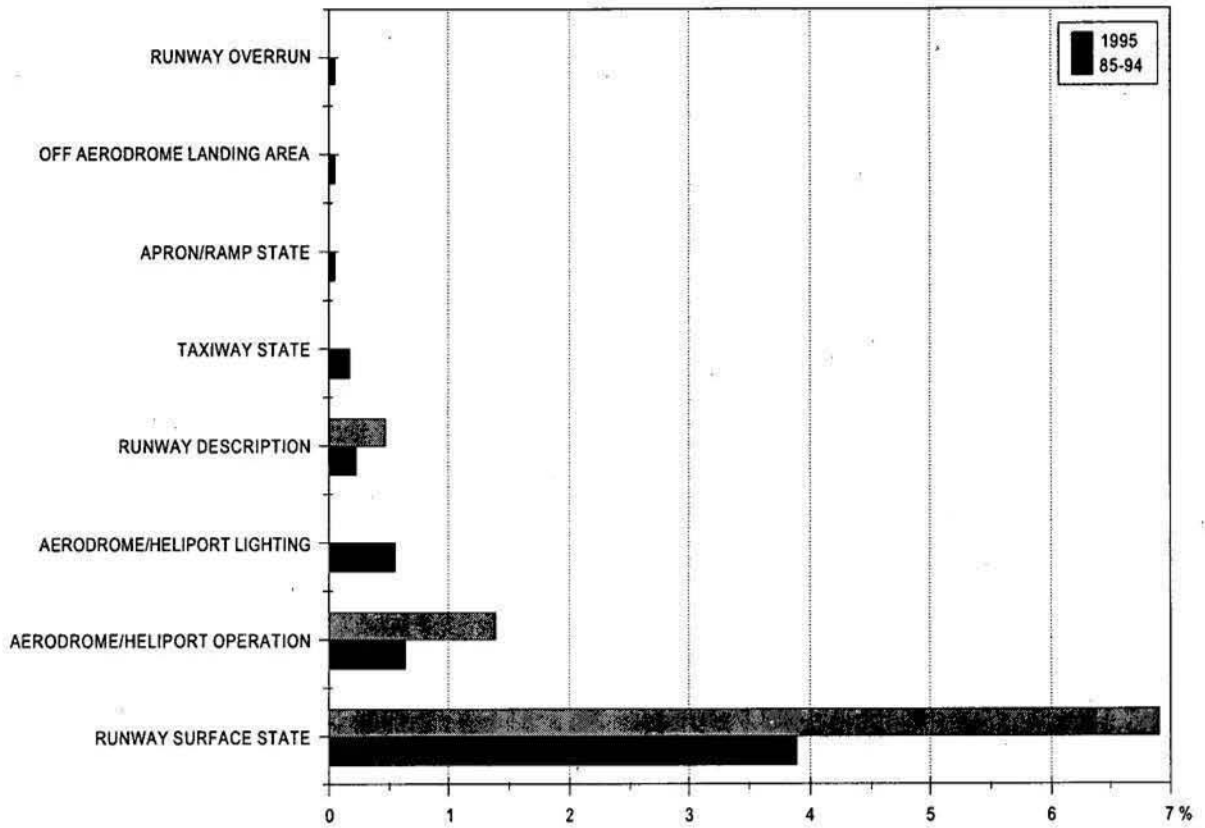
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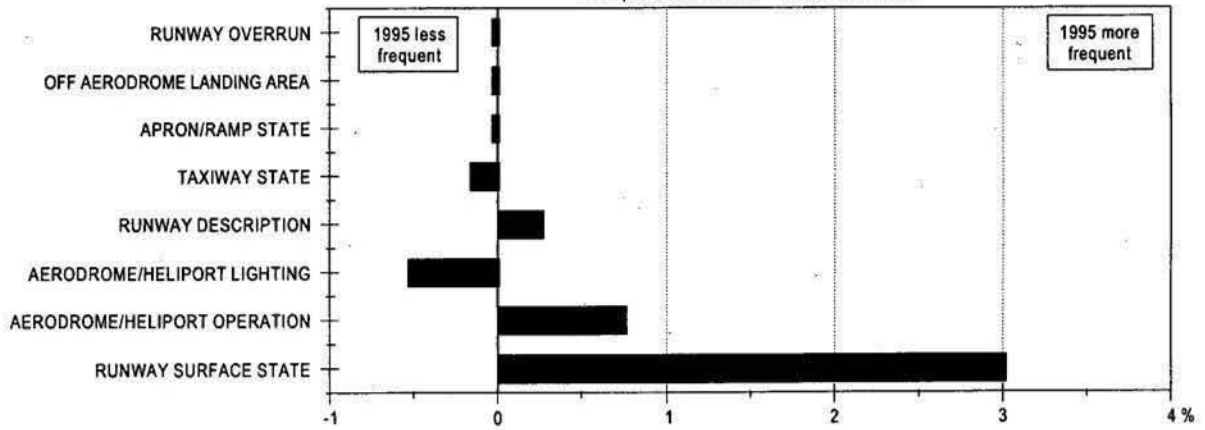
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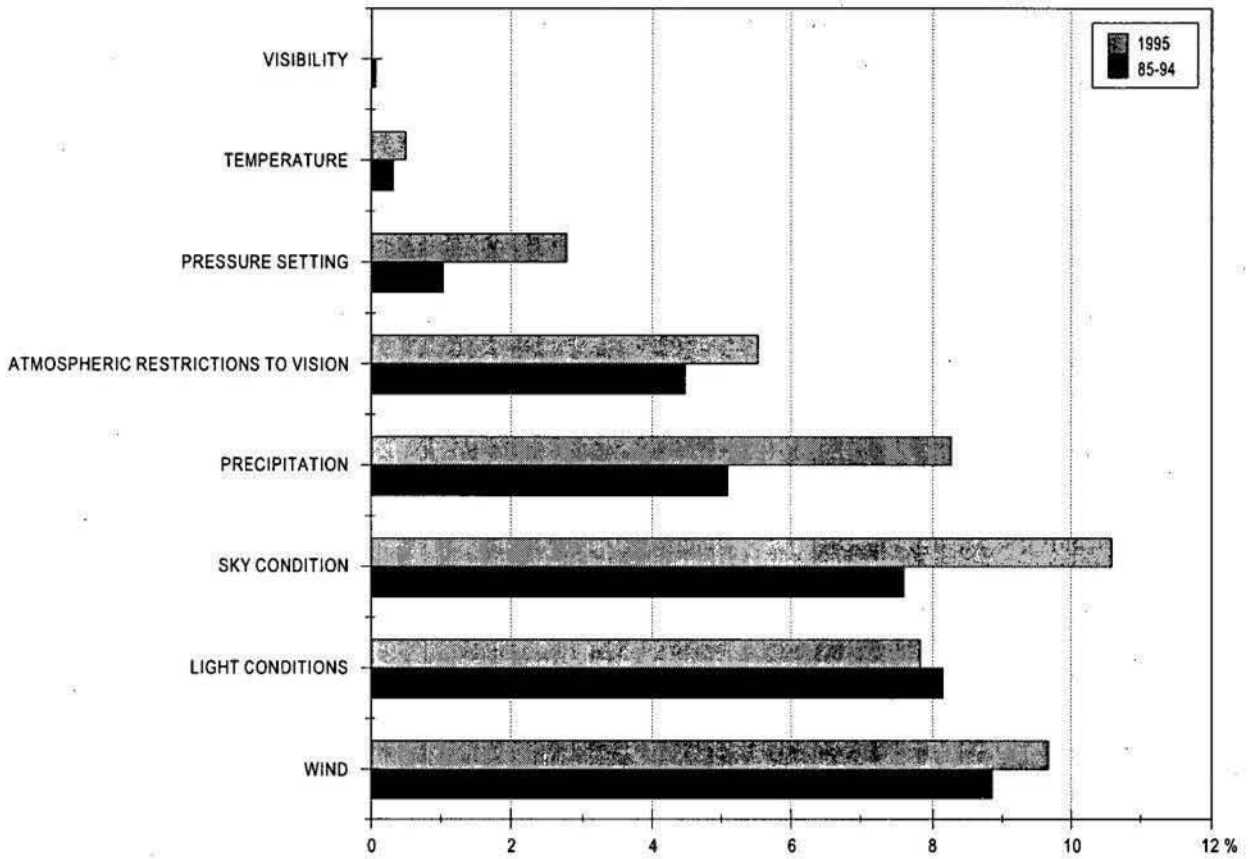
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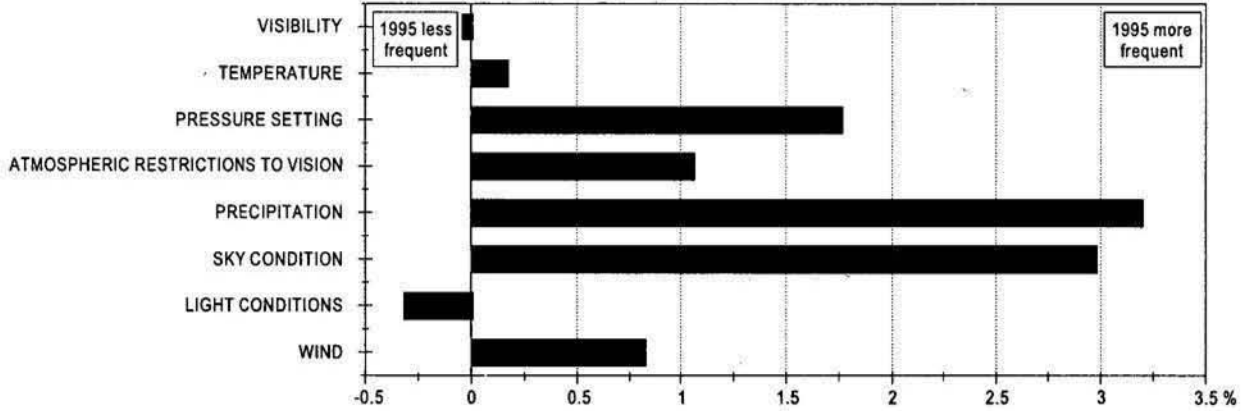
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**Weather factors**



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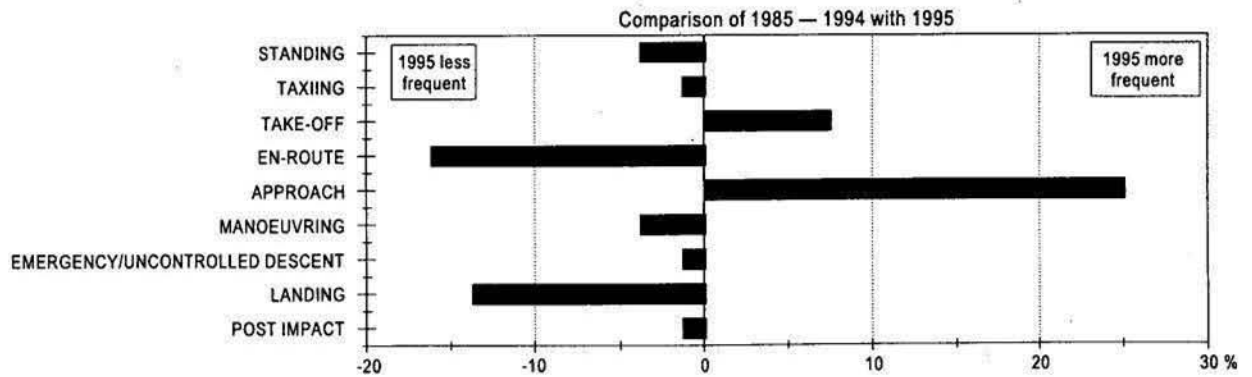
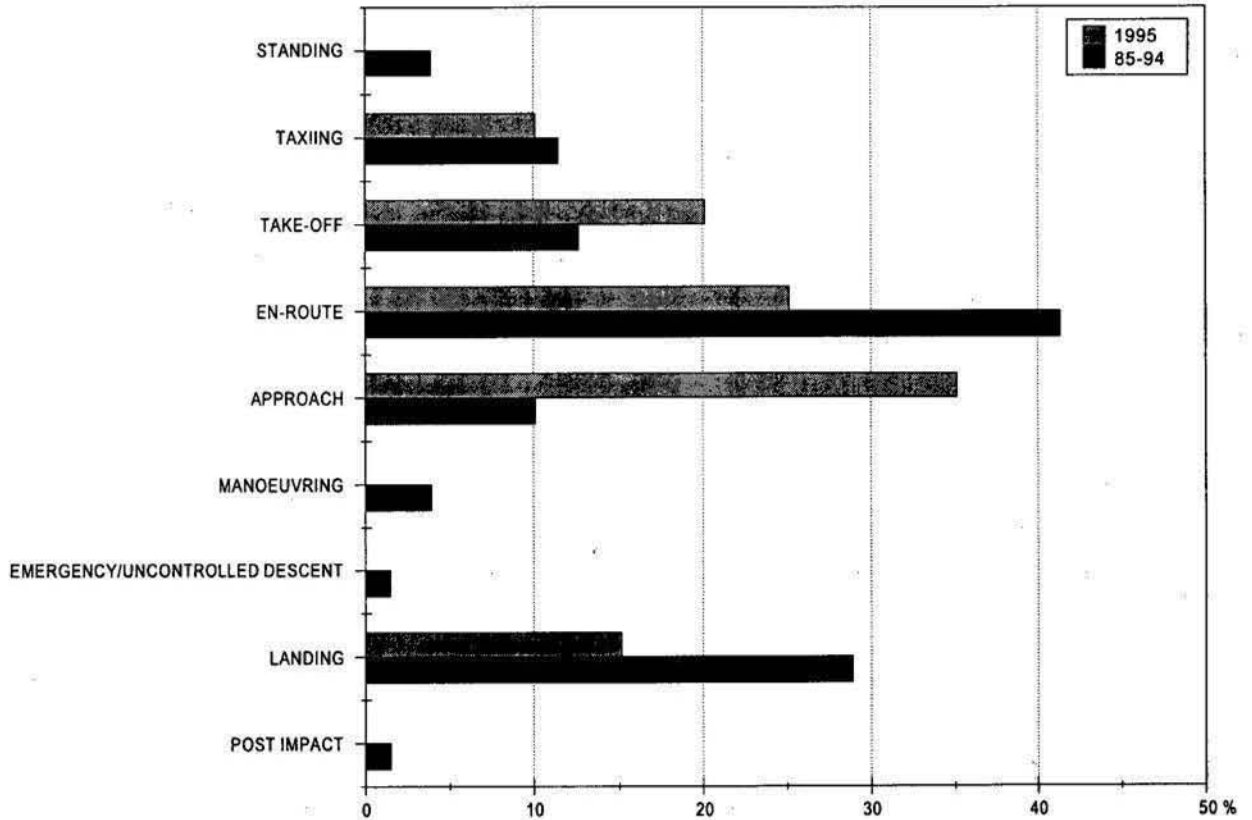


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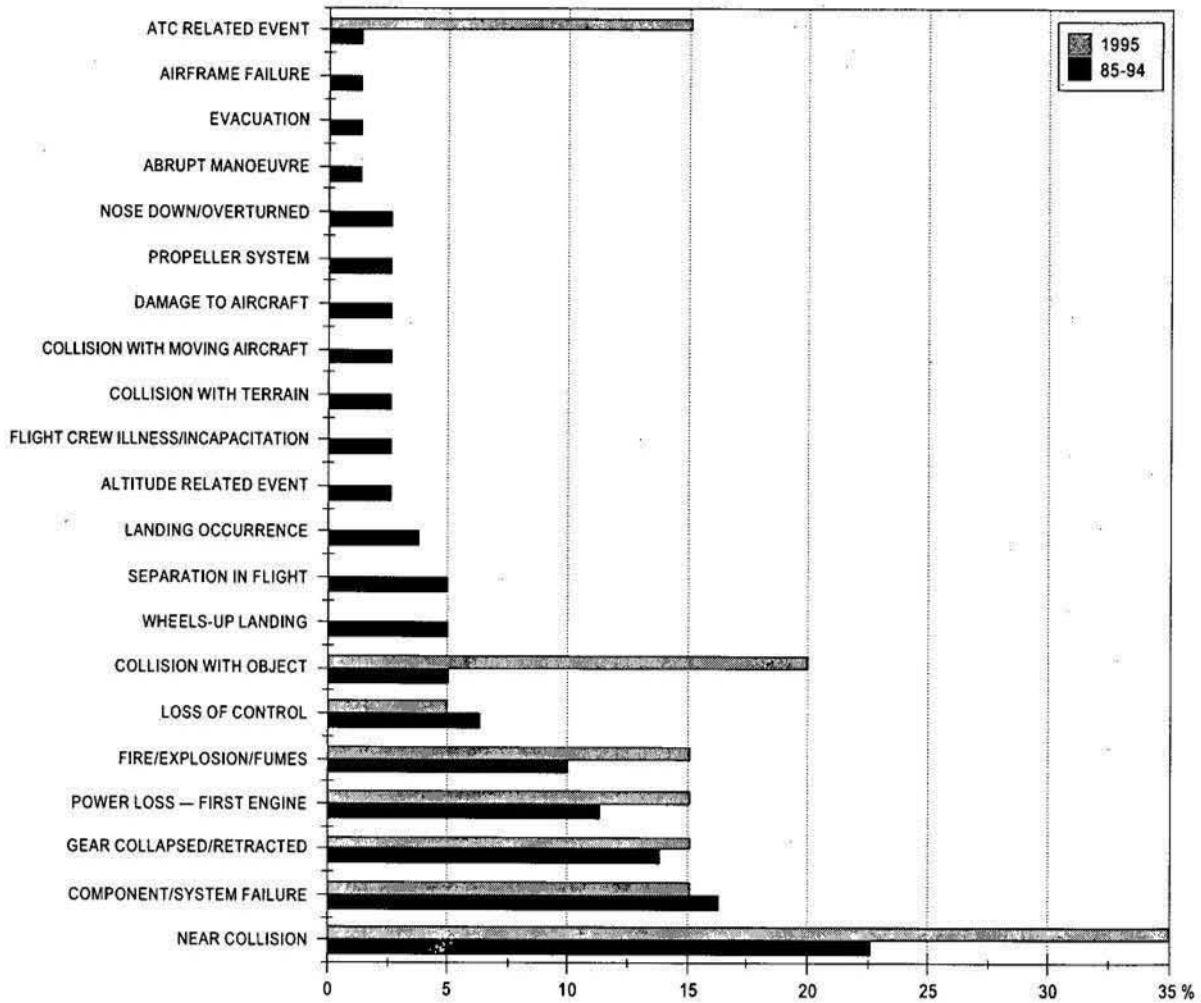
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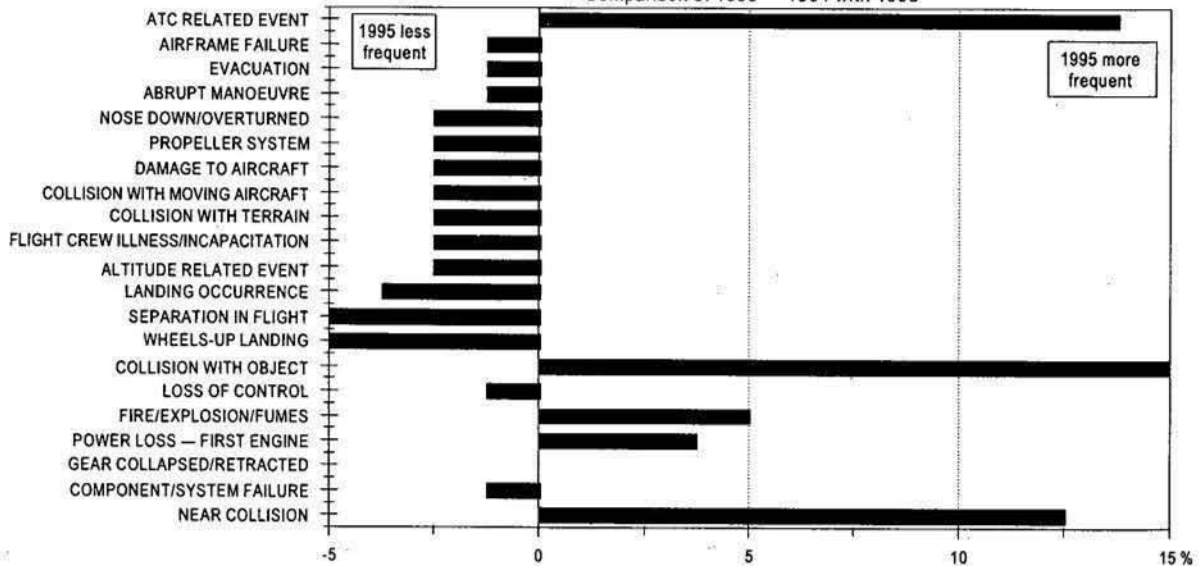
#### Phase of operation



Type of event

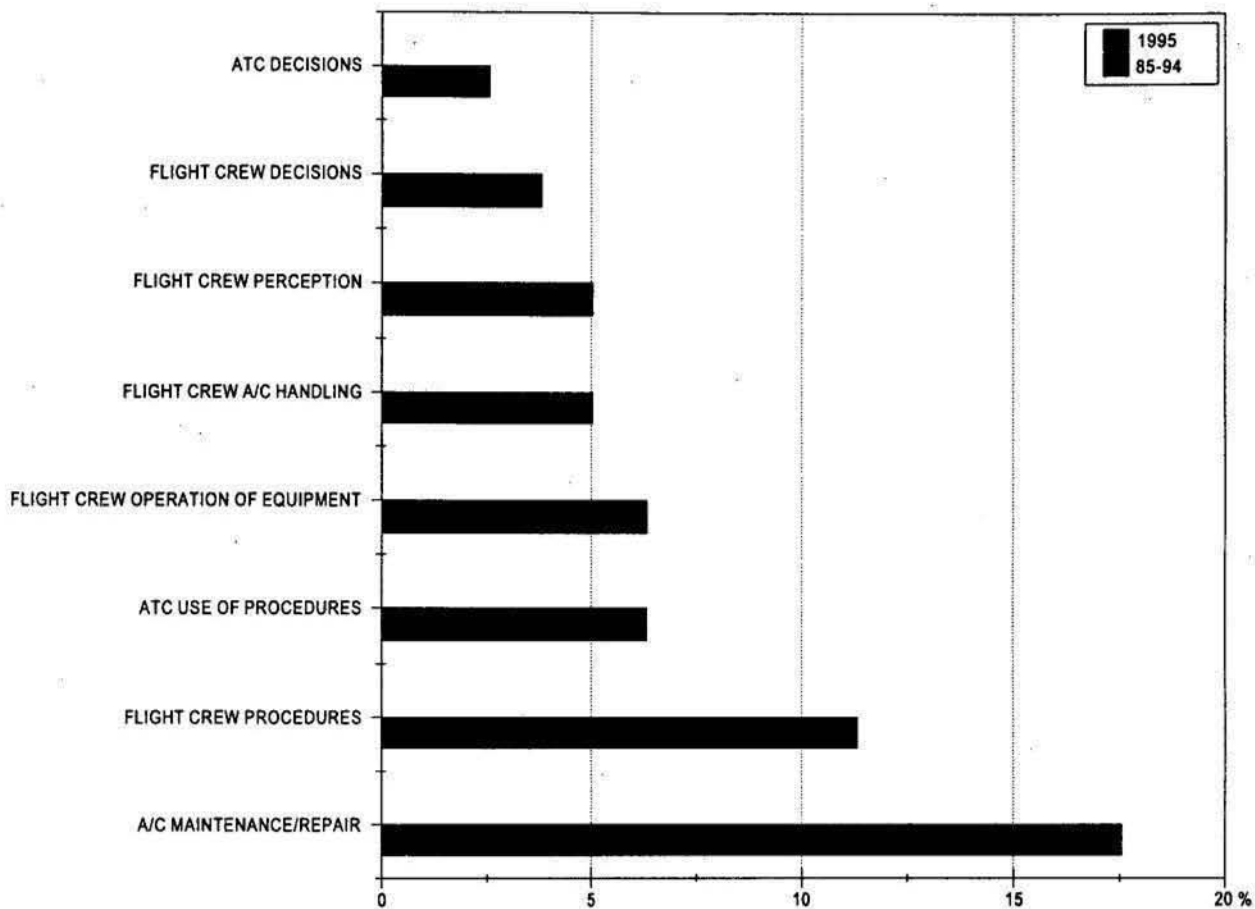


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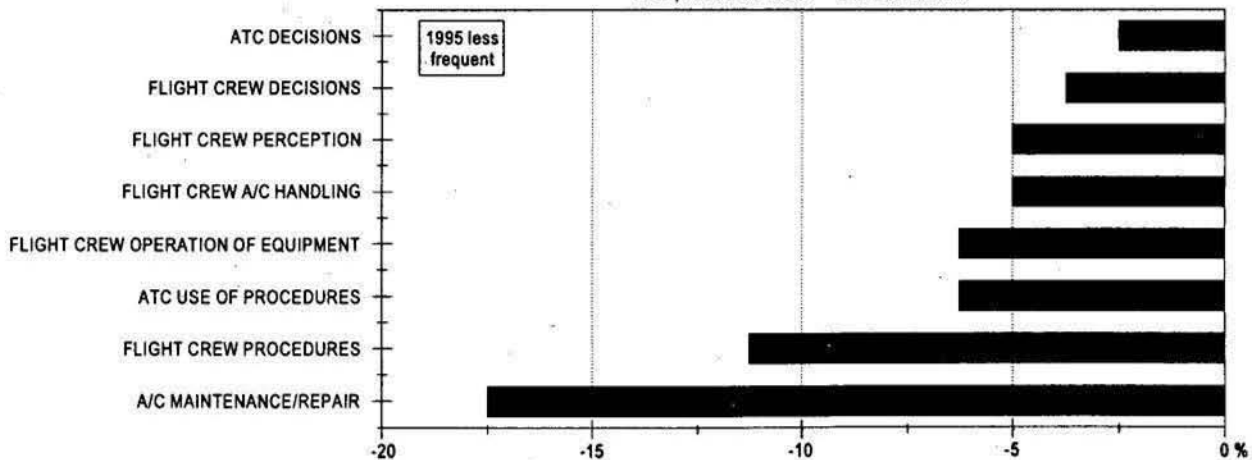




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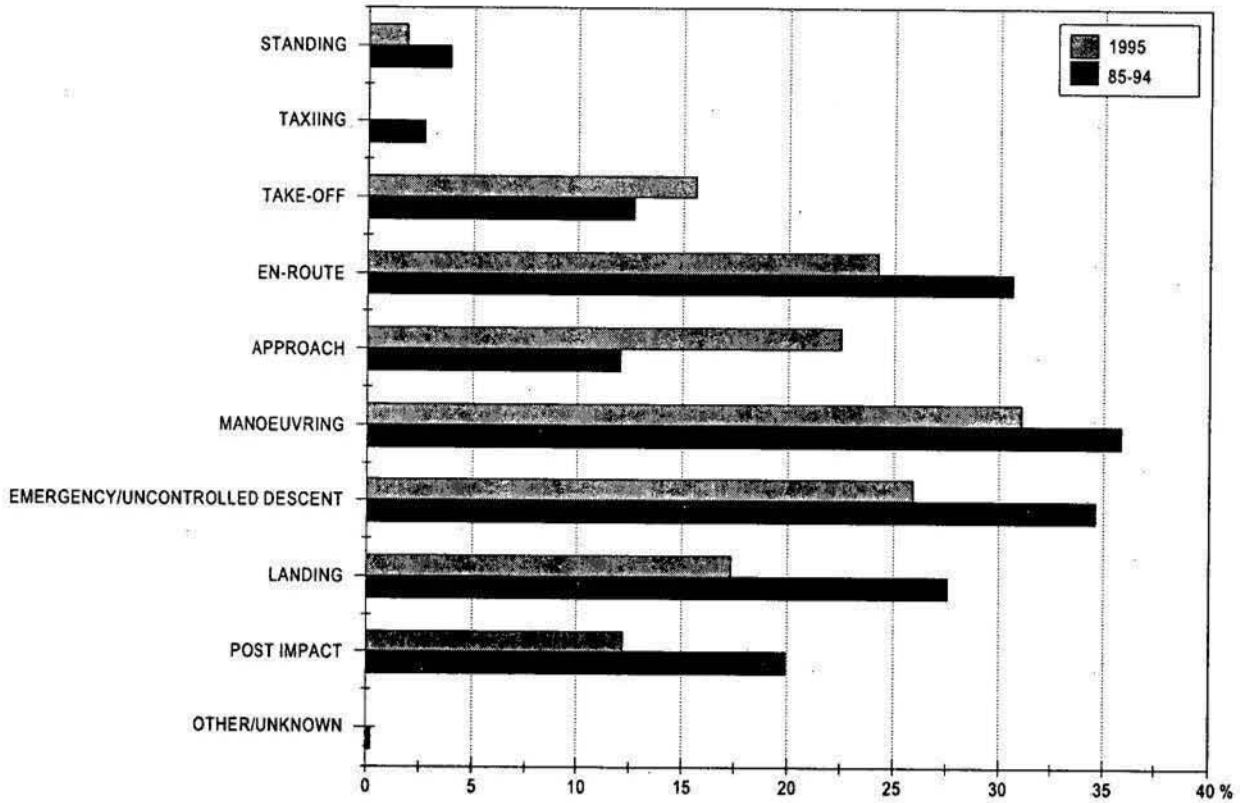


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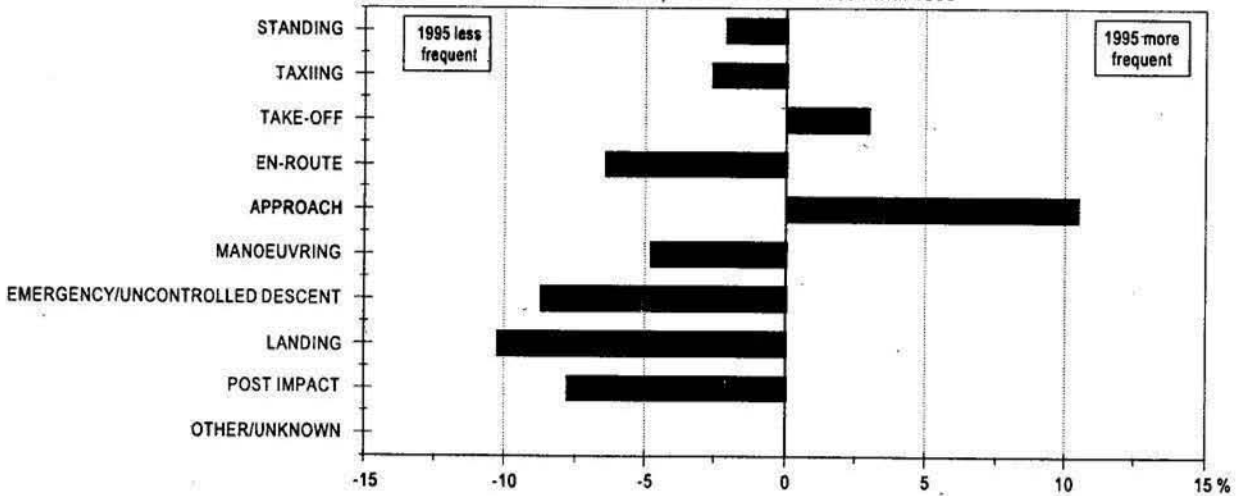
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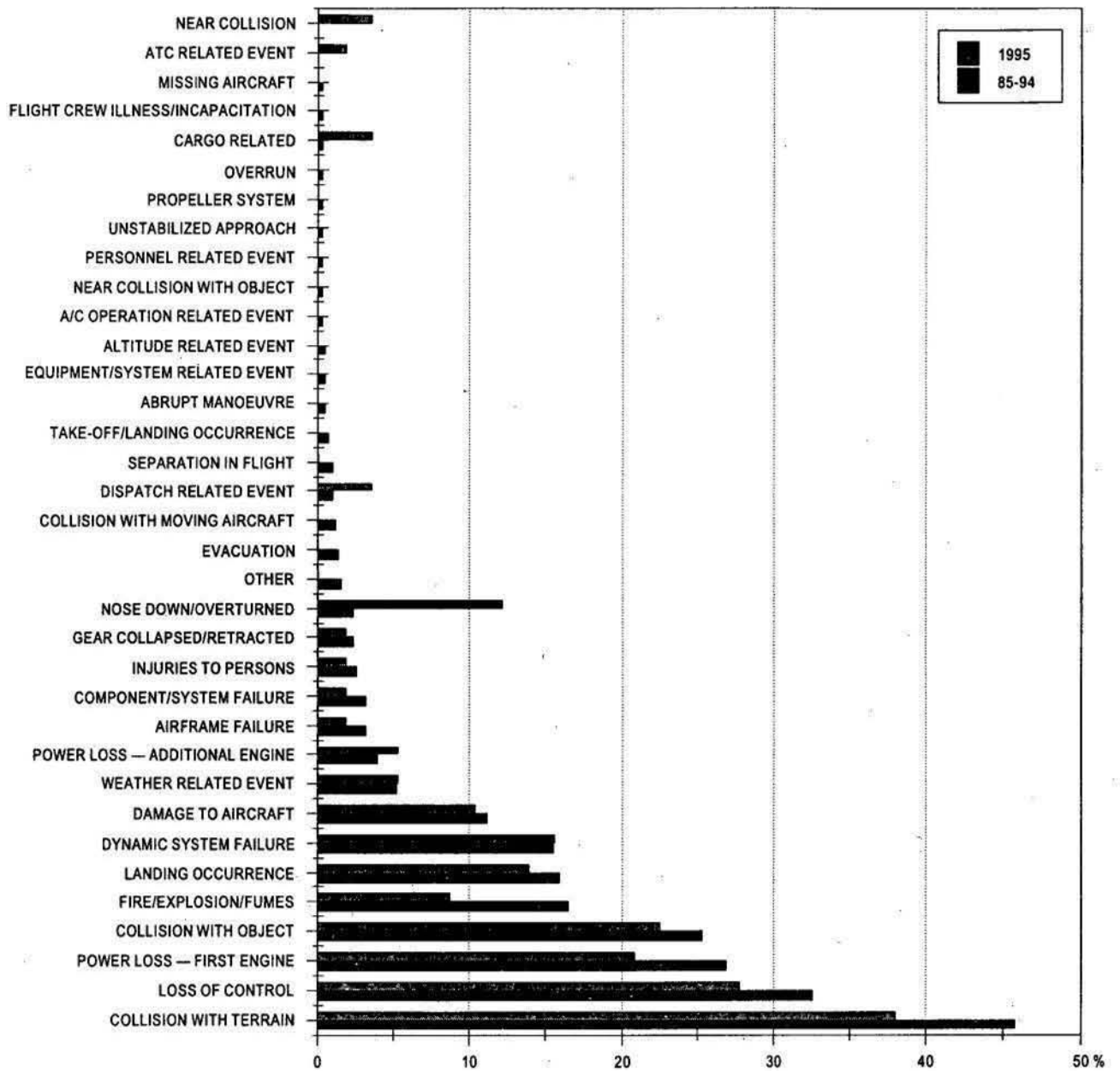
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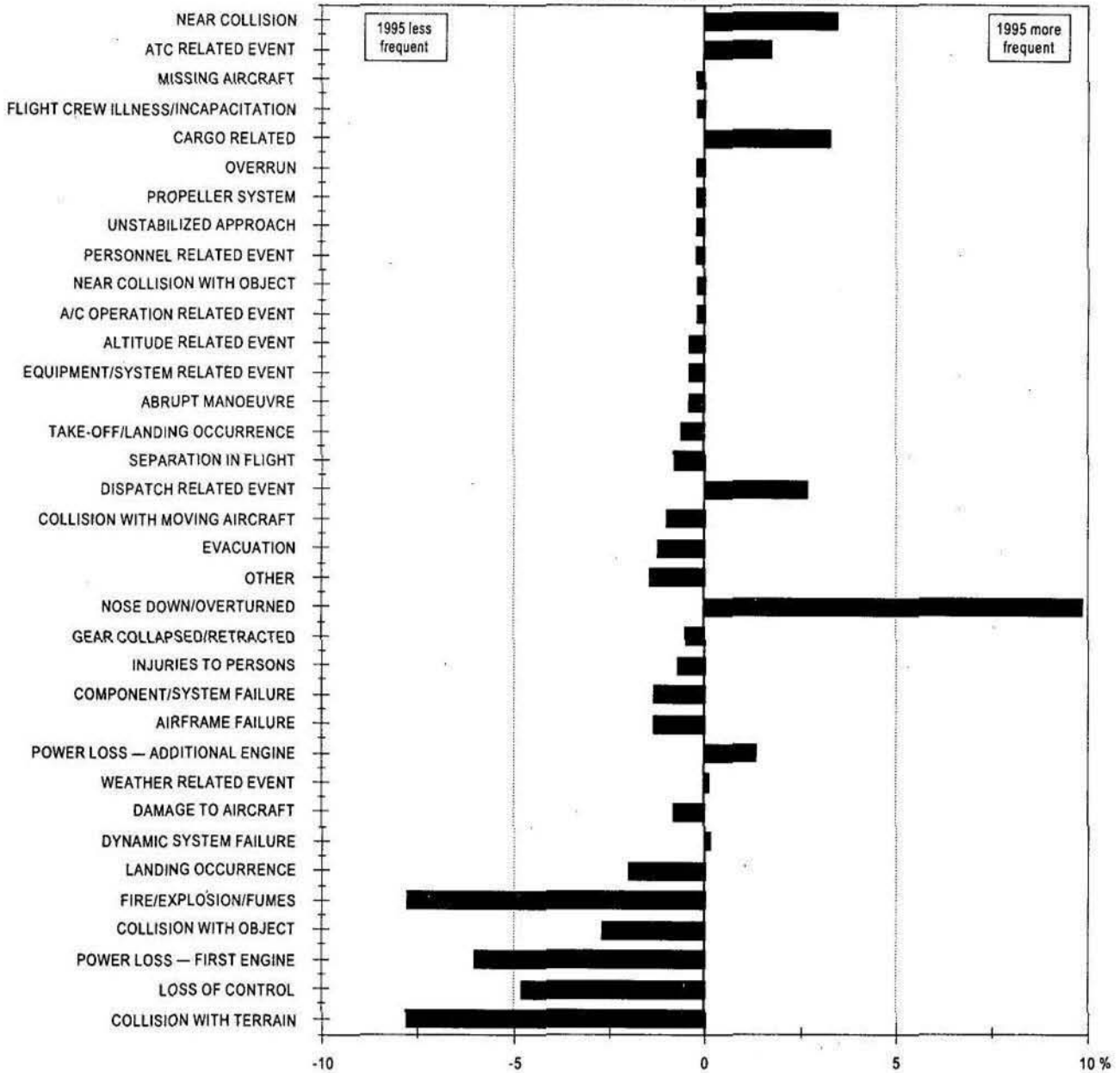


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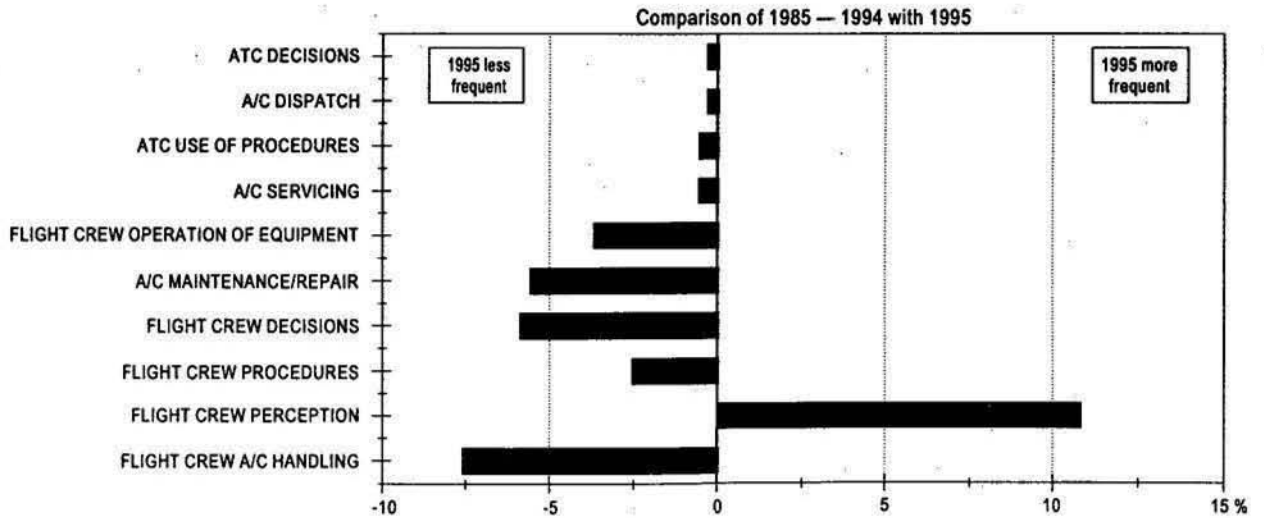
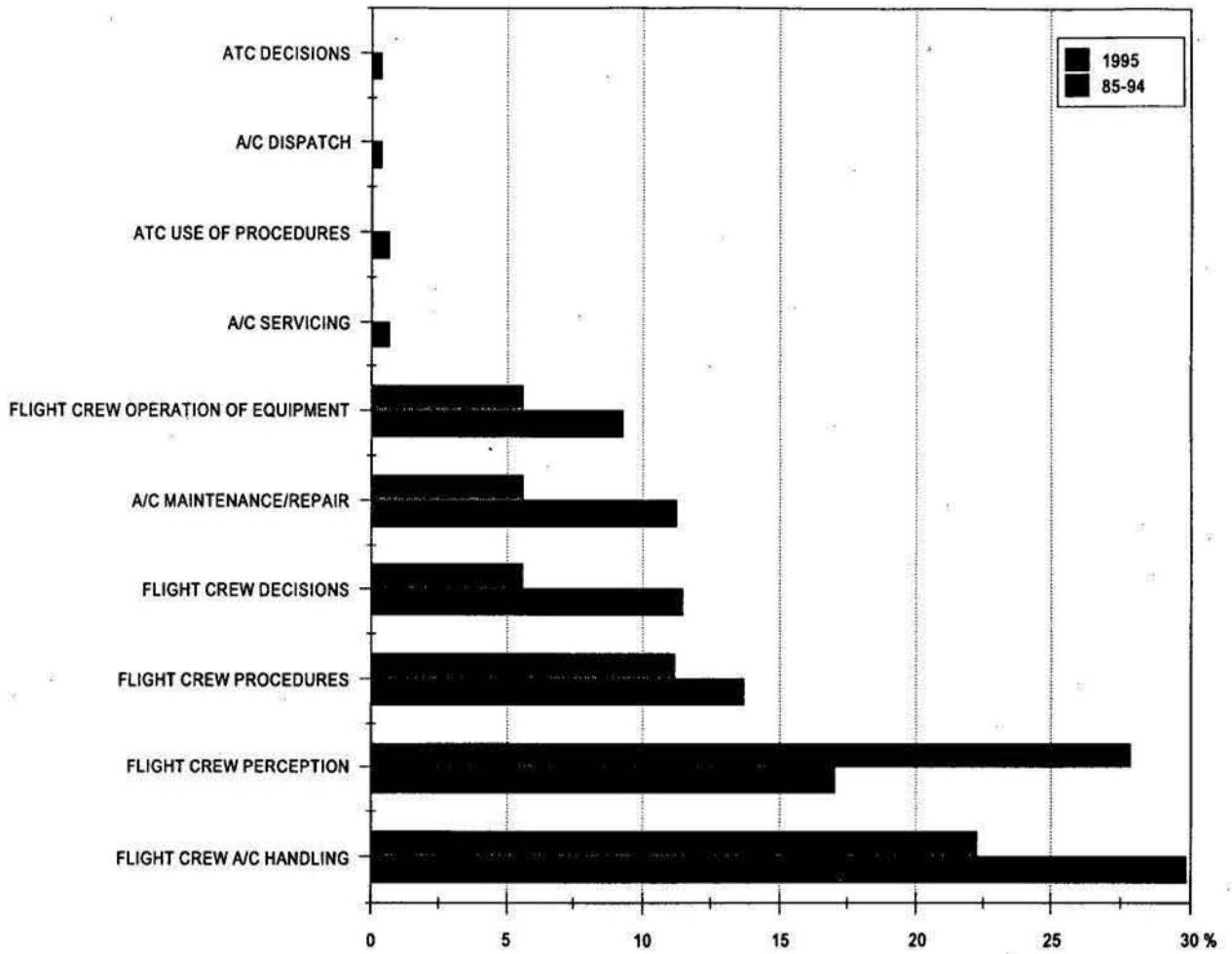


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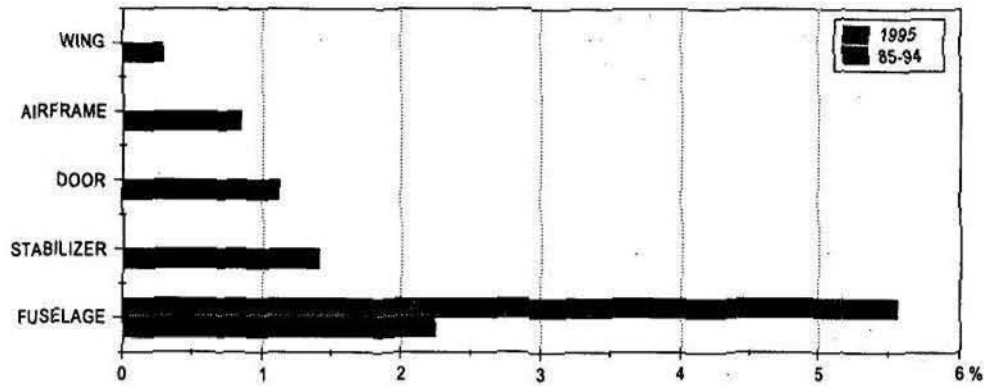
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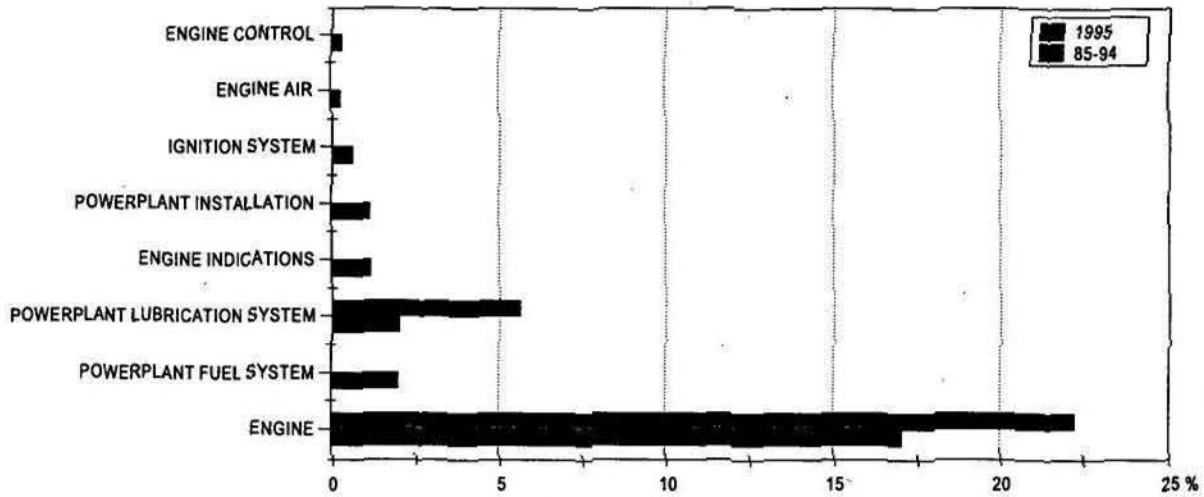
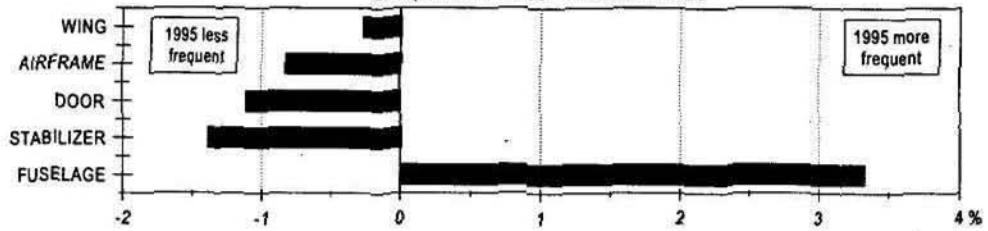
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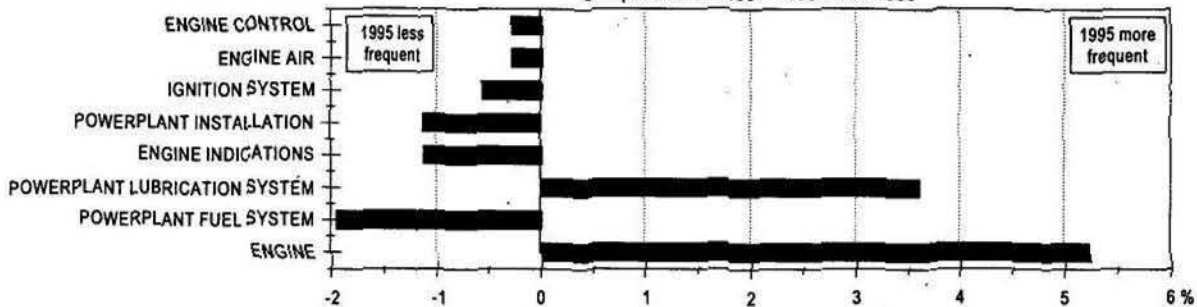
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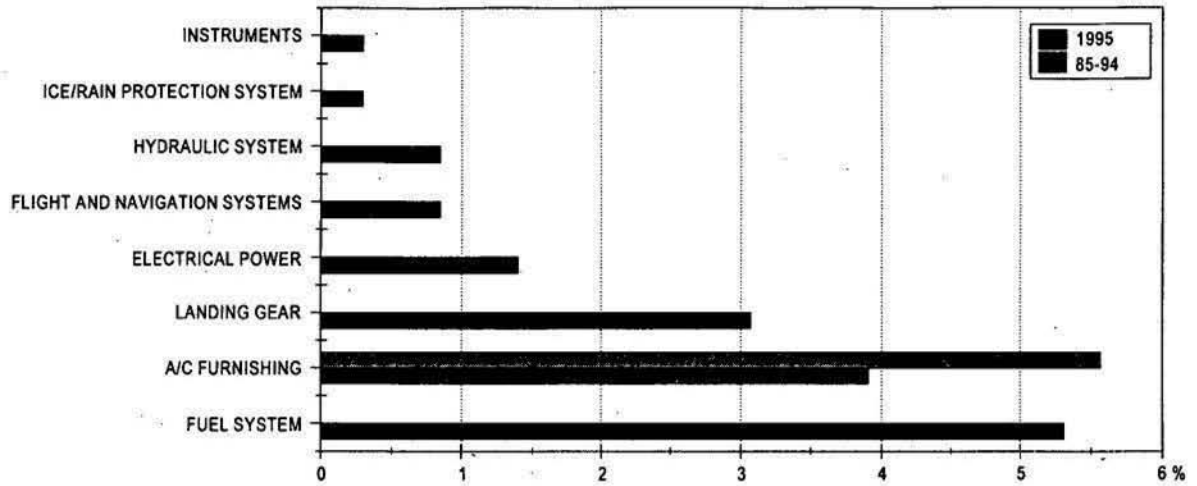
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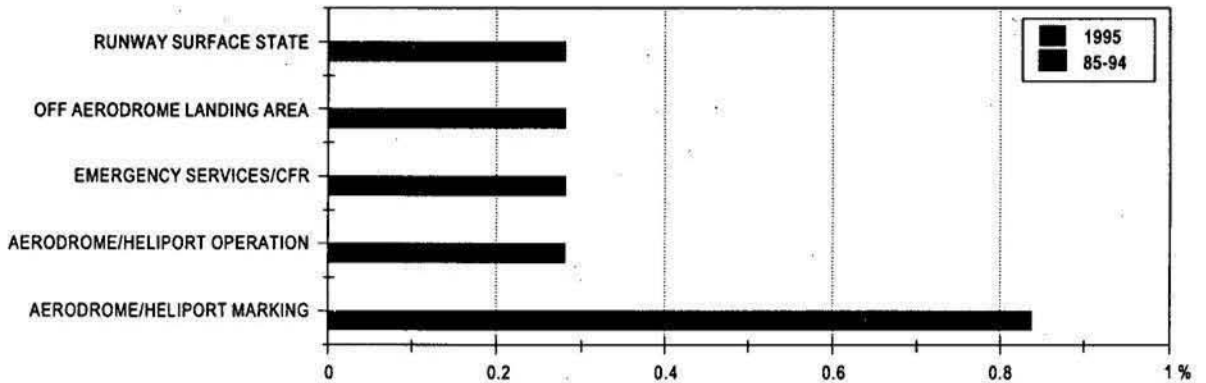
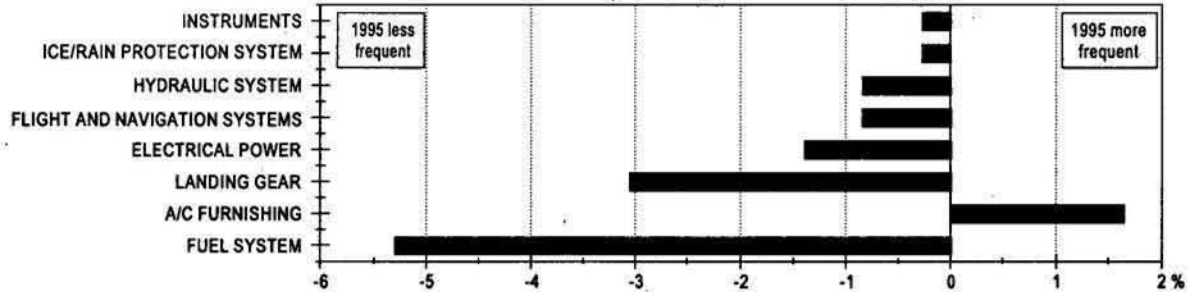
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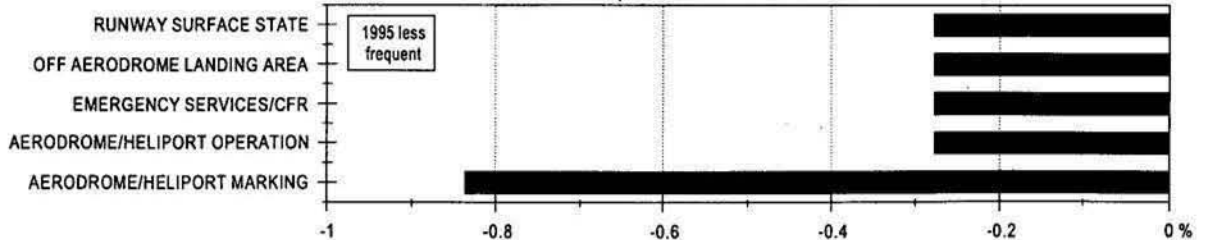
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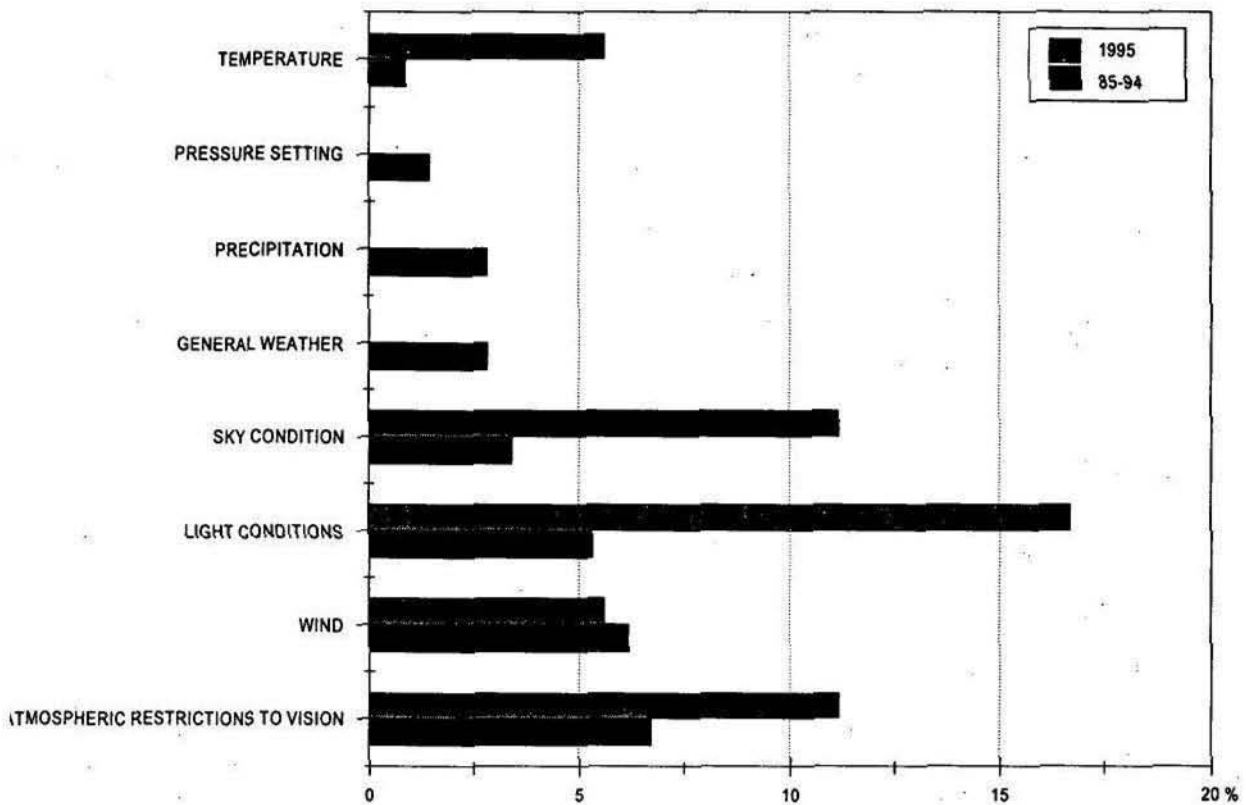
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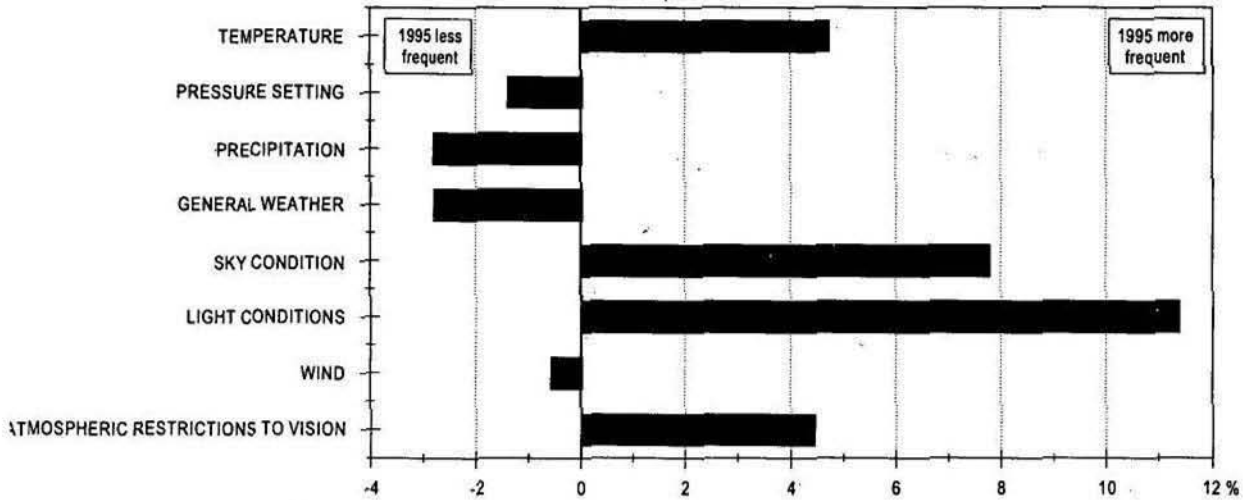
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**Weather factors**



**Comparison of 1985 — 1994 with 1995**





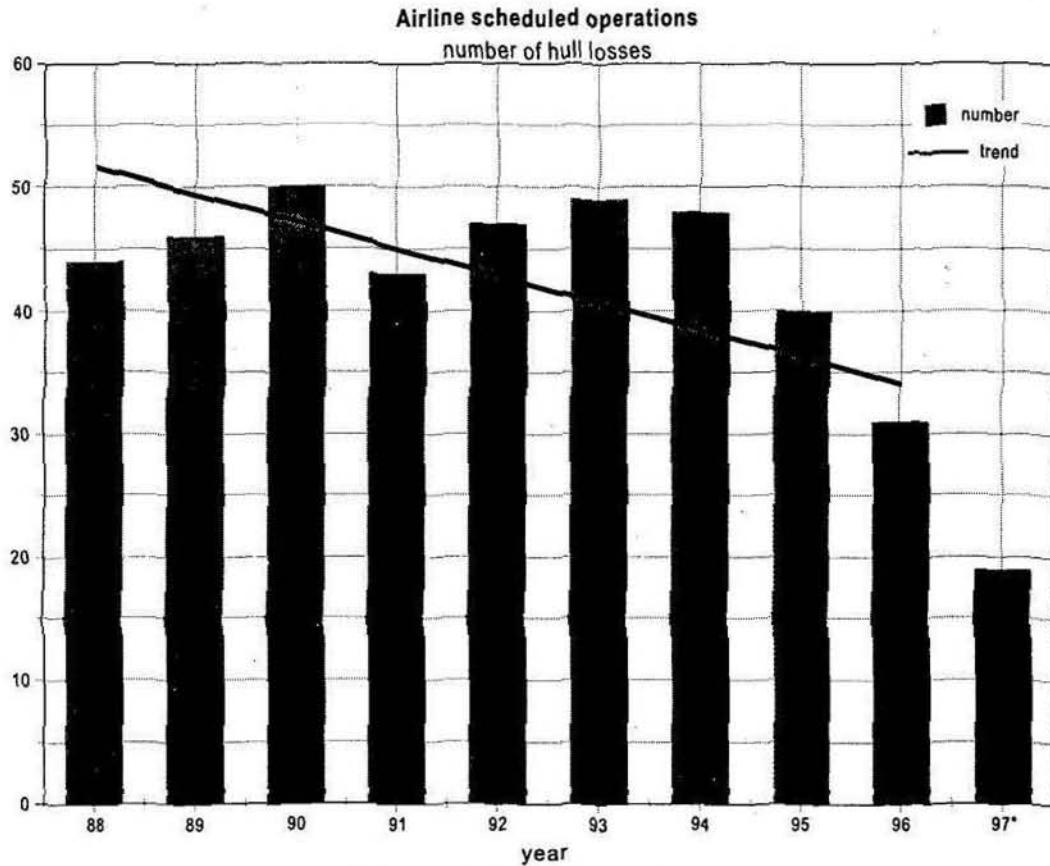
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# TREND INFORMATION AND PRELIMINARY DATA FOR THE YEAR 1997

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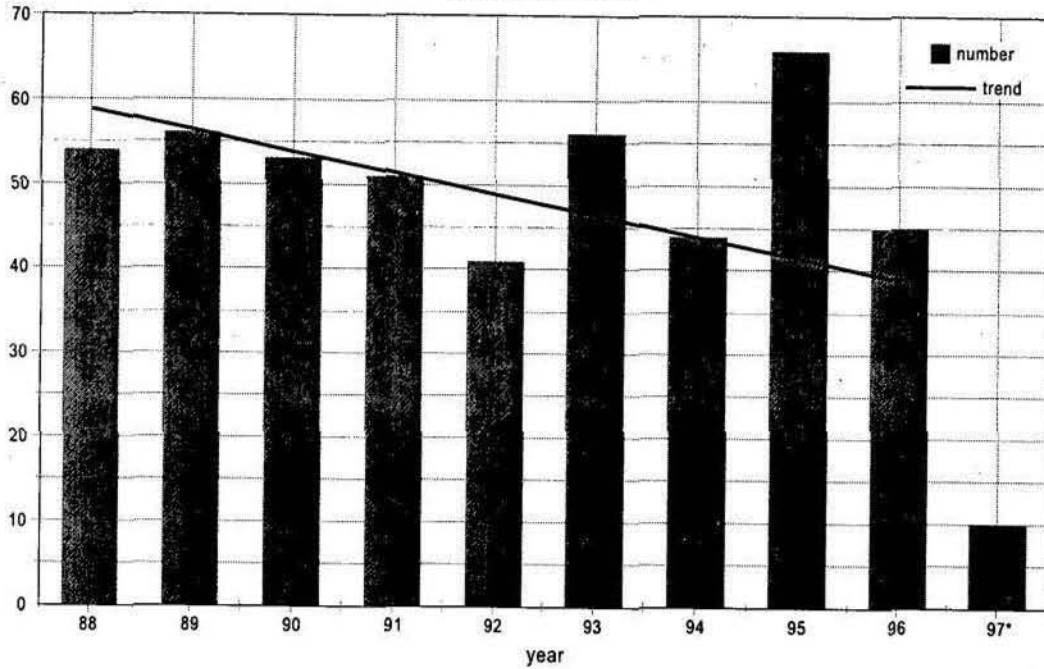
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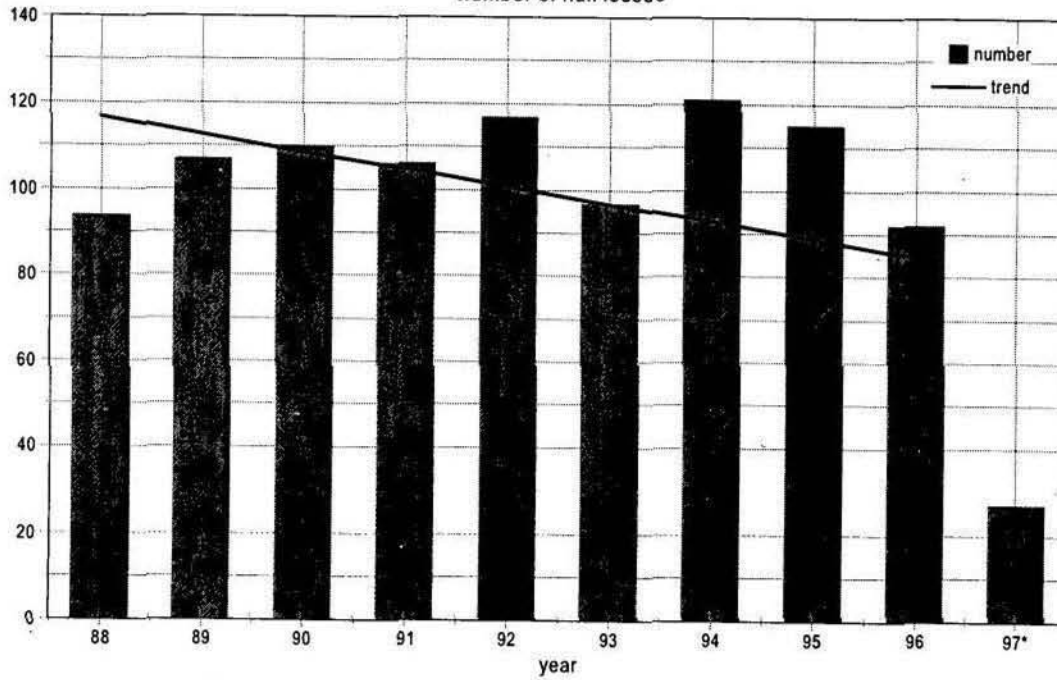
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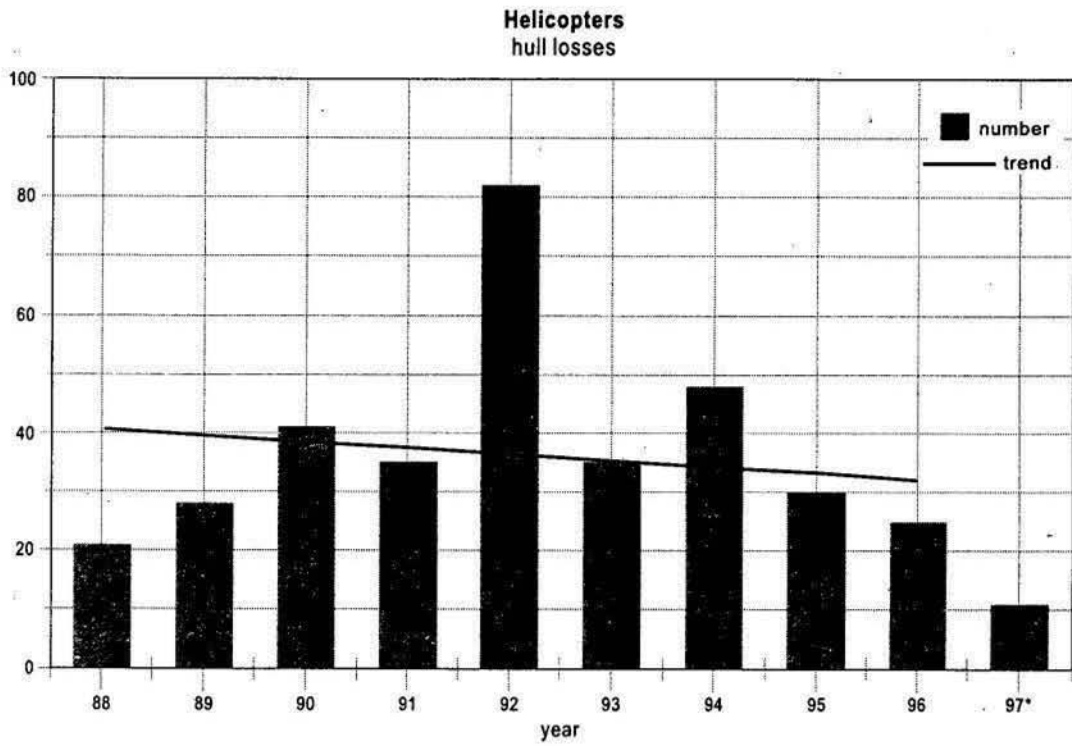


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**General Aviation**  
number of hull losses



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