

Fleet Sustainability Advances in the Mayor's Management Report (MMR)

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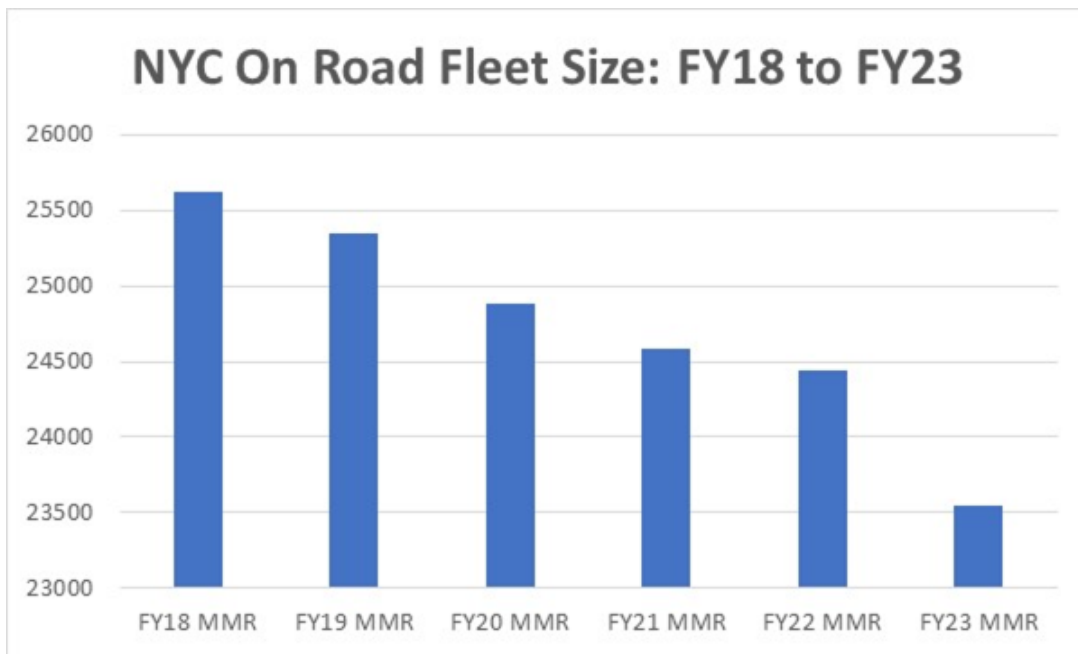
As we recognize Climate Week, the Adams administration is taking an all-of-government approach to reducing emissions and protecting our city from climate threats. The City of New York operates the largest municipal fleet in the country, so it is imperative that the fleet continues to implement innovative sustainable solutions to combat climate change.

Citywide fleet is performance driven and tracks and reports on nearly every aspect of operations. The Fleet Office of Real Time Tracking (FORT) monitors live the movements of over 28,000 on-road fleet vehicles and the Fleet Management System, NYC Fleet Focus, tracks assets, repairs, crashes, parts, and more. Next month, we mark the 10-year anniversary of NYC Fleet Focus, a citywide asset management system implemented on budget and time in one year.

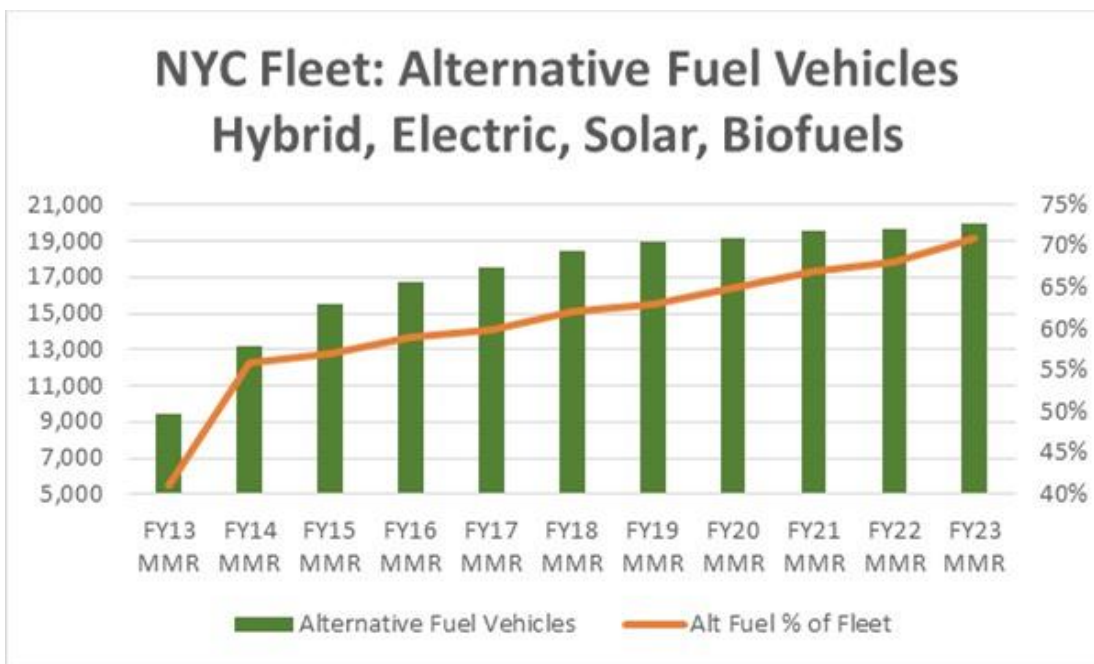
The public report of fleet performance takes place in the Mayor's Management Report (MMR) Vehicle Fleets and Maintenance Section. The [FY23 MMR](#) was issued this week by the Mayor's Office of Operations.

As the City of New York continues to innovate and excel in the delivery of goods and services to New Yorkers, at DCAS we're continuing to make important strides in sustainability and safety in FY23.

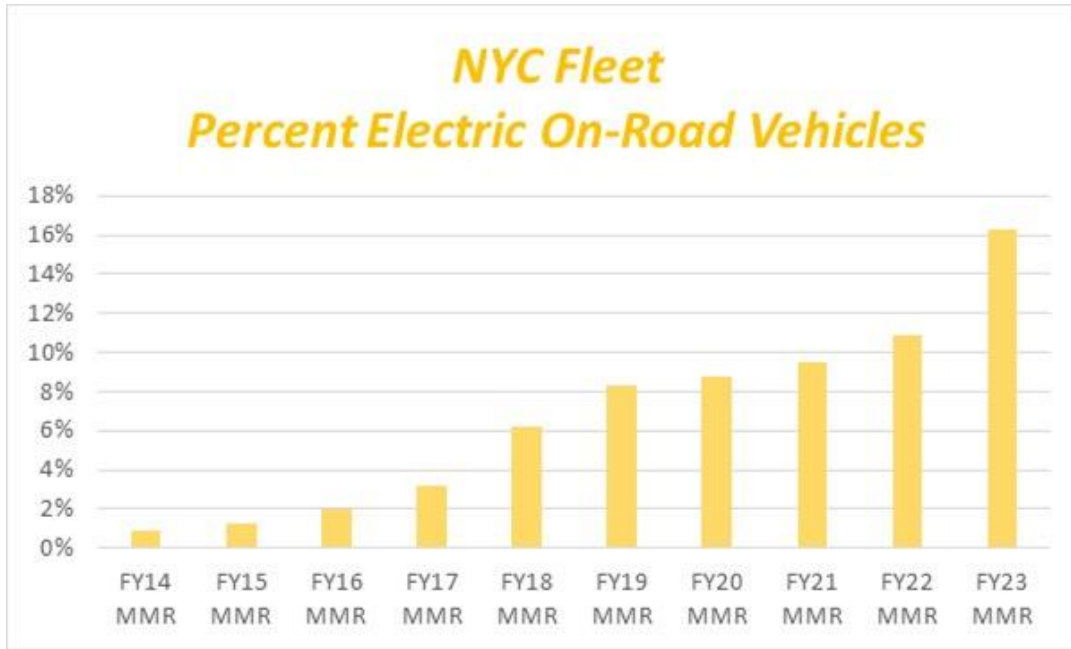
In FY23, we completed a 4% reduction of the City fleet through Mayor Adam's fleet reduction and efficiency [initiative](#).



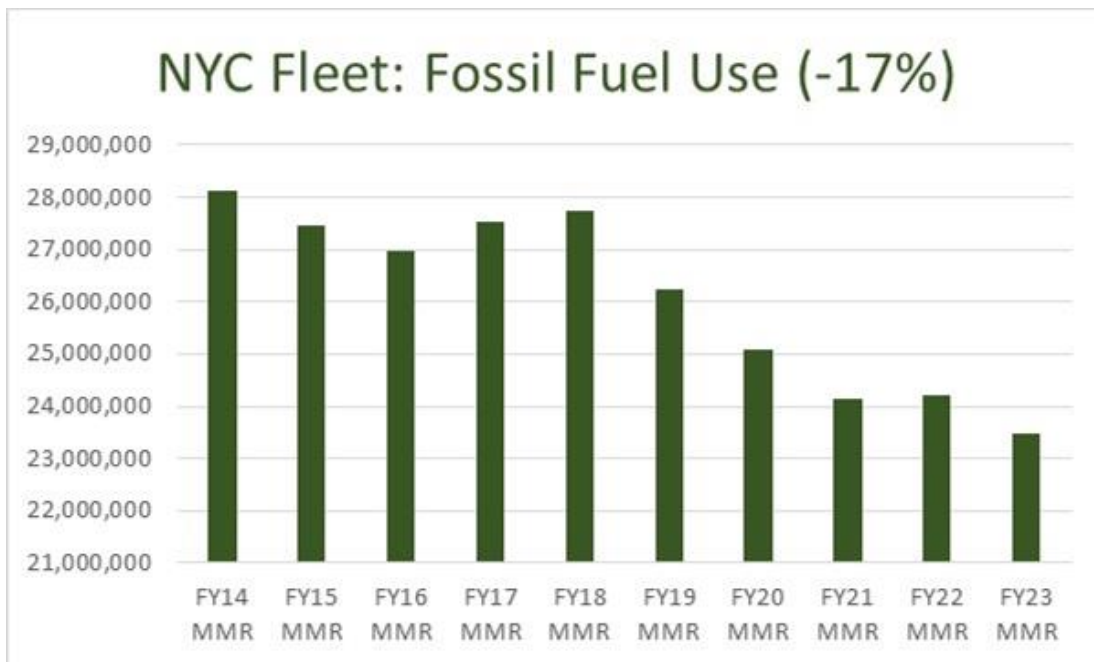
71% of the City fleet now uses some type of cleaner fuel alternative including electric, hybrid, solar, and biofuel. As of June 30, this was 19,945 fleet units. It is currently over 20,000, one of the largest alternative fuel powered fleets in the country. This percent will only increase as we further upgrade gas police cars, and citywide pickups and vans to hybrid and electric alternatives.



On road vehicles are now at 16% electric and plug in with a big jump in the last year. The City of New York has committed through mayoral executive order to transition the fleet to electric by 2035 for light and medium duty units and 2040, and as available, for heavy duty and specialized units. DCAS is approaching 5,000 electric and solar units in the fleet.

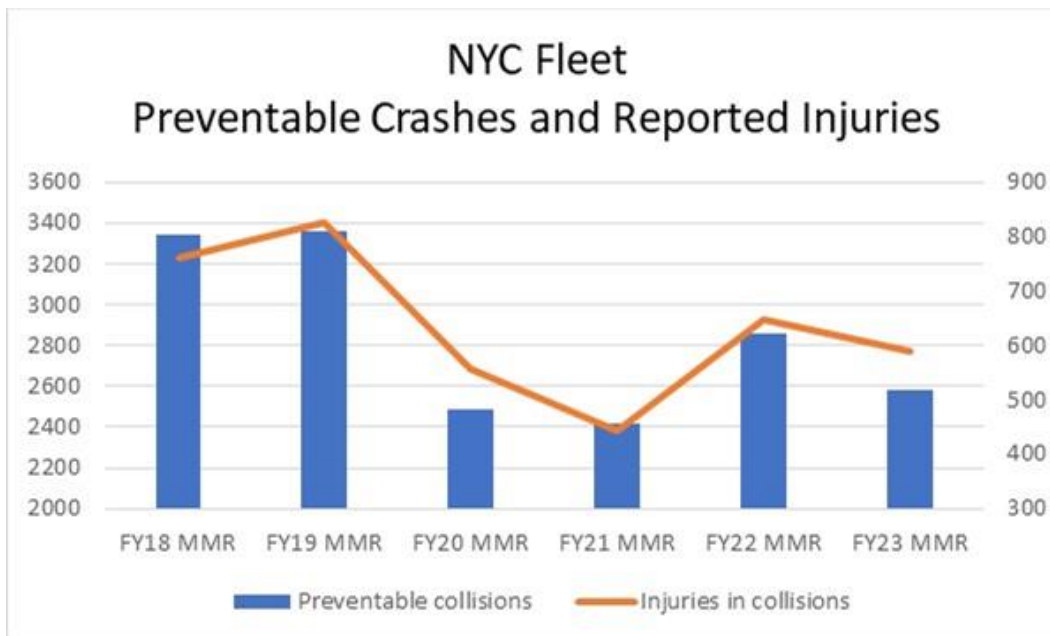


The ultimate goal of fleet sustainability is to reduce and then eliminate fossil fuel use and the harmful air quality and greenhouse gas emissions (GHG) it produces. Fossil fuel use has declined 17% in the City fleet since FY14. The City fleet has committed to 50% GHG reduction by 2025. Planned expansion of electric units, hybrid replacements, and biofuel use will enable DCAS to meet this target and we look forward to reporting more on that in upcoming newsletters.



DCAS also reports on vehicle safety in the MMR and the City issues a dedicated [section](#) of the MMR to Vision Zero initiatives citywide including in fleet.

Preventable crashes and reported injuries continue to go down through our Safe Fleet Transition Plan. There has been a 22% reduction in both categories since FY18, driven by major reductions in rear-end and head-on crashes. There were no fatalities in non-emergency fleet use in FY23. However, FY24 began with the tragic and unnecessary loss of a City employee in a crash due to the actions of a private vehicle drunk driver.



DCAS continues to work with agencies to restore vehicle service levels which were impacted by the aging of the fleet from the suspension of most vehicle buying during the COVID 19 emergency. DCAS greatly expanded vehicle replacements in FY23 and is looking forward to those units arriving in FY24 to provide needed fleet relief and further improvements in fuel efficiency.

The MMR reviews many other aspects of fleet operations and provides detailed sections for each of the major fleet agencies.

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NYC Fleet Manual

The NYC Fleet Manual and Drivers Handbook has been updated. Please see the updated version at [NYC Fleet Manual and Drivers Handbook](#).

New York City Vision Zero Fleet Forum

VISION ZERO

Building a Safer City

This year's New York City Vision Zero Fleet Forum will be held on Thursday November 2, at the Queens Theatre in Flushing Meadows Corona Park

This annual event co-hosted this year by *Together for Safer Roads* will highlight the power and promise of building partnerships to solve our nation's roadway safety crisis, the safe system approach, and how vehicle design and technology plays a vital role in saving lives.

[View the event flyer](#) to learn more. Updated information like the event agenda and registration links will be posted on the DCAS Fleet Management webpage in the coming weeks. You can also [email fleet](#) for more information.



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