

# **Federal Railroad Administration**

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## Mission

The Federal Railroad Administration's mission is to enable the safe, reliable, and efficient movement of people and goods for a strong America, now and in the future.

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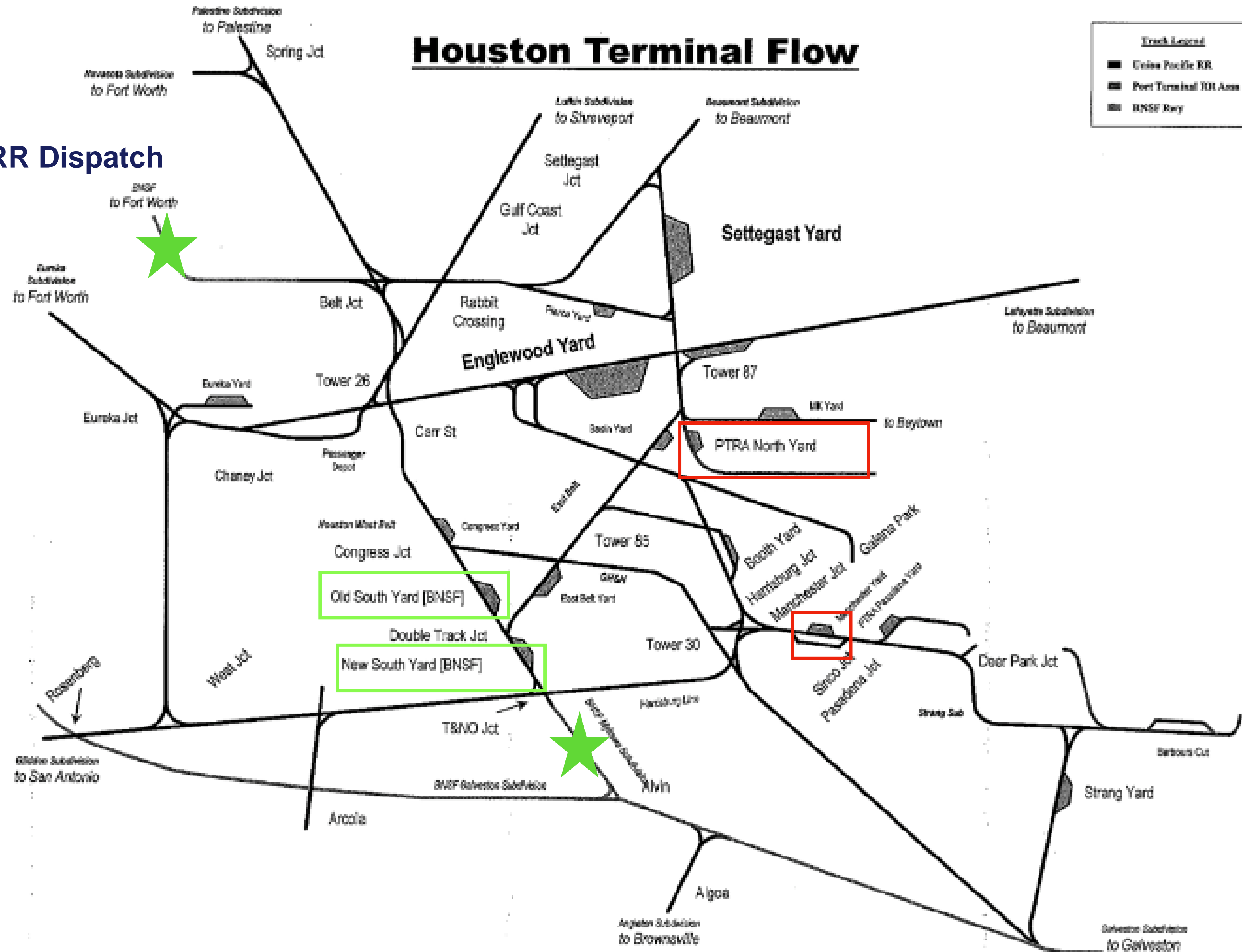
# Railroad Operating in the City of Houston

- BNSF
- KCS
- PTRA
- UPRR

-Most own tracks

-Some have yards

-All need to coordinate with UPRR Dispatch



<https://www.fra.dot.gov/blockedcrossings/>

## Office of Operating Practices Grade Crossing Specialist

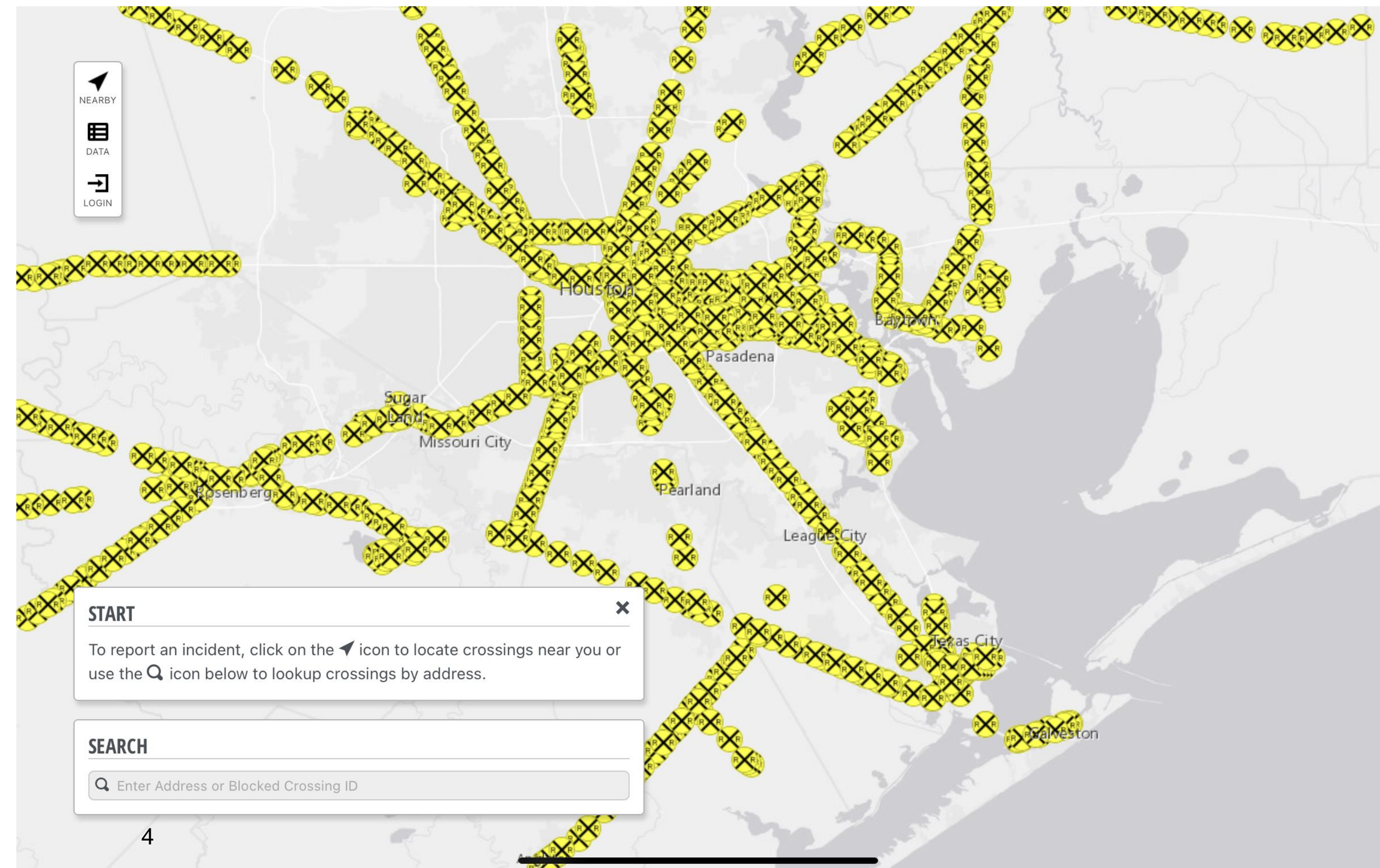
### Investigate: 3-Days of report

*\*Multiple reports in a single day count as One*

2020-64 entries

2021-573 entries

- Schweikhardt Street (48)
- Lockwood (46) *\*Impact to First Responders & Pedestrian activity*
- Lockwood (42) -
- Leeland (36) - *Pedestrian Activity*
- Hirsch Road (35) - *\*Impact to First Responders*
- Dumble (29)
- Lawndale (31) - *\*Impact to First Responders & Pedestrian activity*
- Pineland Road (23) - *\*Impact to First Responders*
- Cullen Blvd (23)
- Oates Road (21) *\*Impact to City Services*



# 49 Code of Federal Regulations

*Title 49 of the CFR is the Department of Transportation regulations that include hazardous materials transportation regulations and federal motor carrier regulations. If you handle **hazardous materials or hazardous waste**, or if you are a shipper, carrier or freight forwarder, the 49 CFR is a must.*

## 49 CFR Chapter II - FRA

## 49 CFR 217 Railroad Operating Rules



Laws protect our general safety, and ensure our rights as citizens against abuses by other people, by organizations, and by the government itself



- Block Crossing Statute: Pre-empted by 5th Court of Appeals referencing The Interstate Commerce Commission Termination Act of 1995