



ATEC 2025 Conference Highlights

The ATEC conference brought aircraft maintenance professionals together to discuss workforce development, regulatory updates, and the future of aviation maintenance.

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At least 122 people have died in 30 U.S. aviation incidents in 2025, raising safety concerns.

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2025 Aviation Accident Surge

A 2024 report projects a 20% shortfall in maintenance technicians by 2028, driven by an aging workforce nearing retirement.

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Maintenance Technician Shortage

An unsecured penguin in a cardboard box knocked the controls mid-air, causing a helicopter crash in South Africa. Everyone survived—including the penguin.

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The Penguin Problem



Fatal Desert Flight

A pilot was killed when a light aircraft crashed near White Cliffs, Australia. Authorities are investigating the cause of the accident.

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A Mitsubishi MU-2B-40 crashed near Columbia County Airport, New York, killing all six aboard. Weather conditions are under scrutiny.

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Copake MU-2 Crash

A Bell 206L-4 helicopter operated by New York Helicopter Tours crashed into the Hudson River, killing all six aboard.

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Hudson Helicopter Tragedy

A Delta Airlines Boeing 737-900 experienced an engine problem, prompting a safe return to Tucson International Airport.

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Delta 737 Engine Issue