Boeing Leads in Supplying World's Jets

The Boeing Company continued to increase its presence in the worldwide fleet in 1998, delivering more than two of every three commercial airliners of 100 seats or more. Boeing delivered 563 commercial airplanes in 1998 - a 50 percent increase over 1997. Those deliveries included the first 737-600, 737-800, 777-300 and the Boeing Business Jet.

"In aerospace, we consider deliveries and a healthy backlog as important measures of success in the marketplace," said Alan Mulally, president - Commercial Airplanes. "Yet a major challenge awaits us - delivering even more jets in 1999 while improving productivity and efficiency. We must keep our focus on that challenge in order to achieve the financial health that will be key to aerospace leadership in the 21st Century," Mulally said.

With Boeing heading once more into record territory in 1999 - deliveries are expected to be in the range of 620 - the company appears likely to deliver two-thirds of all new commercial airplanes in 1999 as well. Among those deliveries will be the first 717-200 and the first 757-300.

Boeing has delivered nearly 12,500 commercial jets, with Boeing accounting for about three of every four jets in service.

The past year also was a stellar year for firm orders, with 656 spanning the product line. This brings the total to more than 14,000 orders for The Boeing Company since the beginning of the Jet Age. Orders for the Boeing 737, the world's best-selling commercial jetliner, soared beyond 4,000 in 1998. Total orders for the Next-Generation 737, which entered service last year, grew by nearly 50 percent in 1998 to more than 1,100, making it the fastest-selling jet in history.

The healthy stream of orders increased the total of unfilled announced orders at year's end to 1,786 - 43 more than a year earlier.

Model	1998 Orders	Total Orders	1998 Deliveries	Total Deliveries	Unfilled Announced Orders
717	65	115	0	0	115
737	373	4,234	281	3,256	978
747	14	1,291	53	1,189	102
757	50	966	54*	836	130
767	42	863	47	729	134
777	71	429	74	178	251
MD-80	24	1,191	8	1,165	26
MD-90	4	134	34	98	36
MD-11	13	200	12	186	14
Other**	-	4,819	-	4,819	-
Total	656	14,242	563	12,456	1,786

* Includes four 757 C32-A models produced for the U.S. government
** Models no longer produced: 707, 727, DC-8, DC-9, DC-10

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