

Progress Update 01

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Formulating the Aircraft of the Future



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Agenda



Mission Objectives



Design Configurations and Analysis



Regulation Impact



Market Strategies



Costs Analysis

Mission Objectives



Highlight a new technological innovation



Fixed-wing, capacity of 10-20 passengers

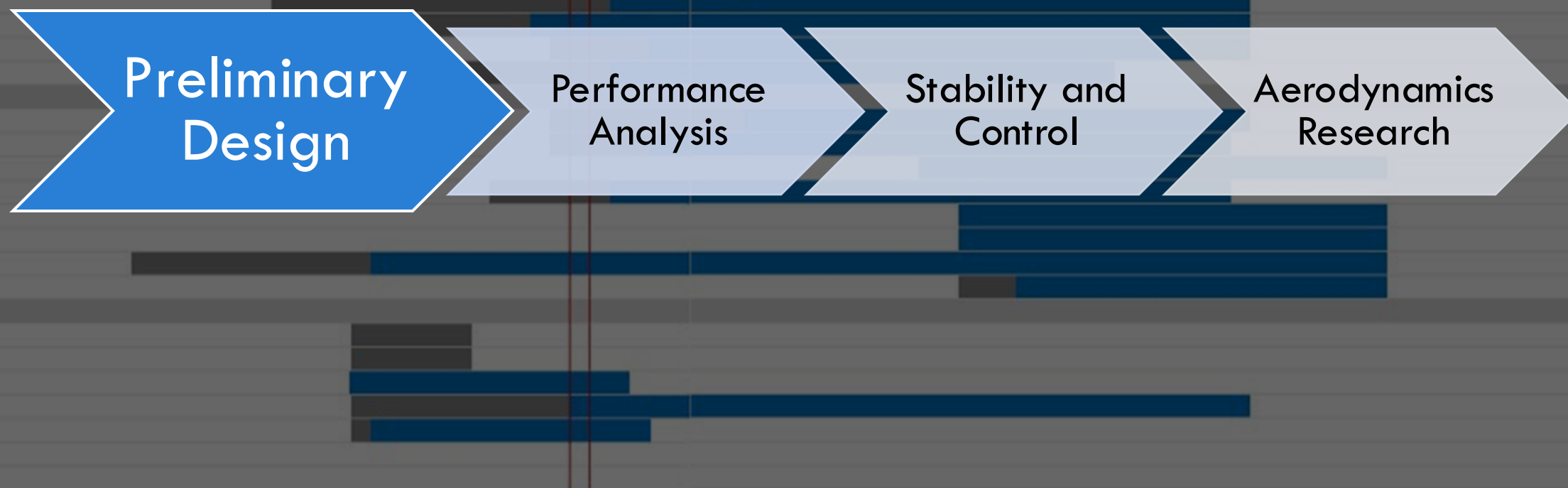


Emphasize environmental considerations



Max. range at 1,500 nmi
& optimized operating cost for 500 nmi

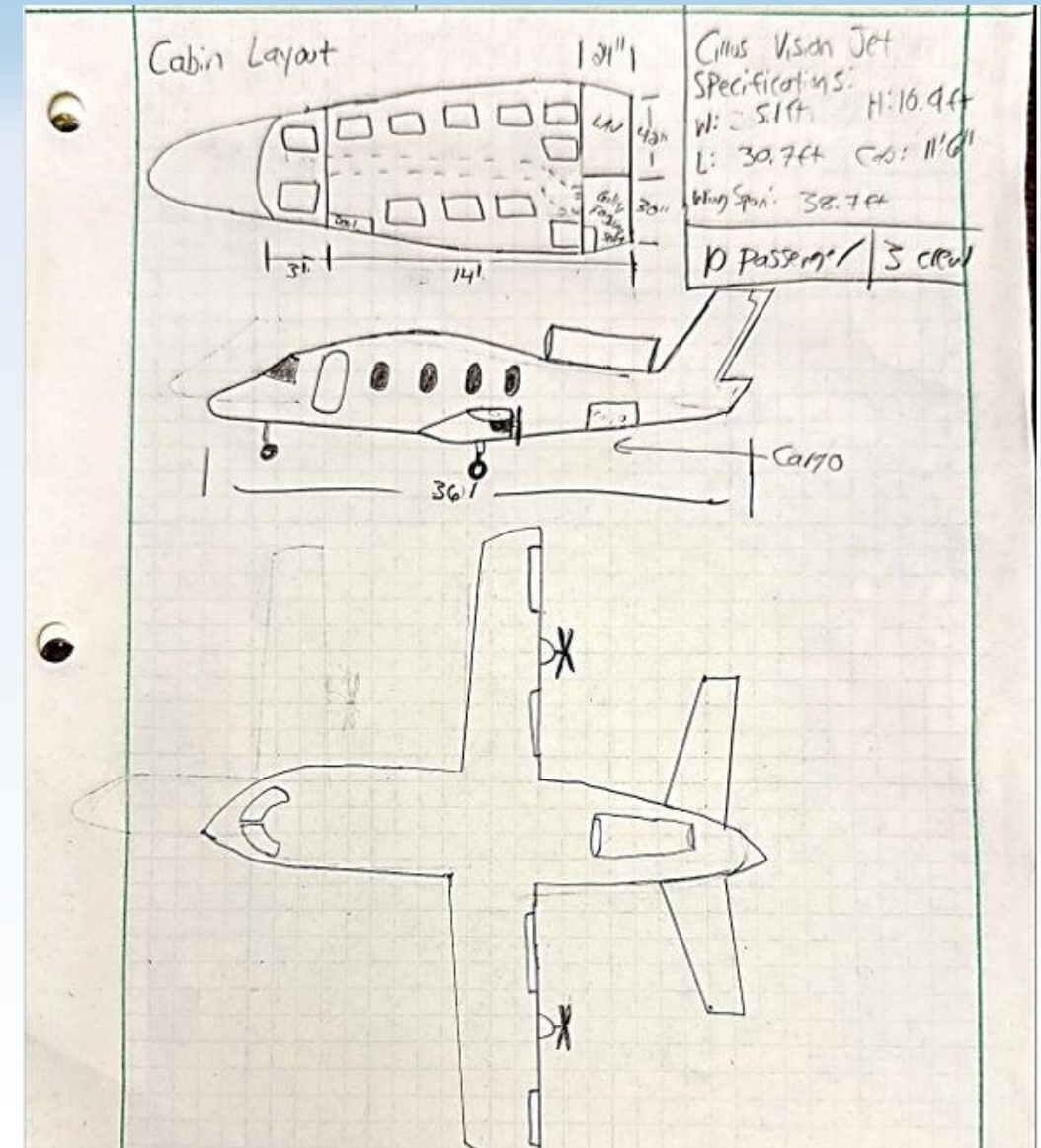
Development Plan – Key Next Steps



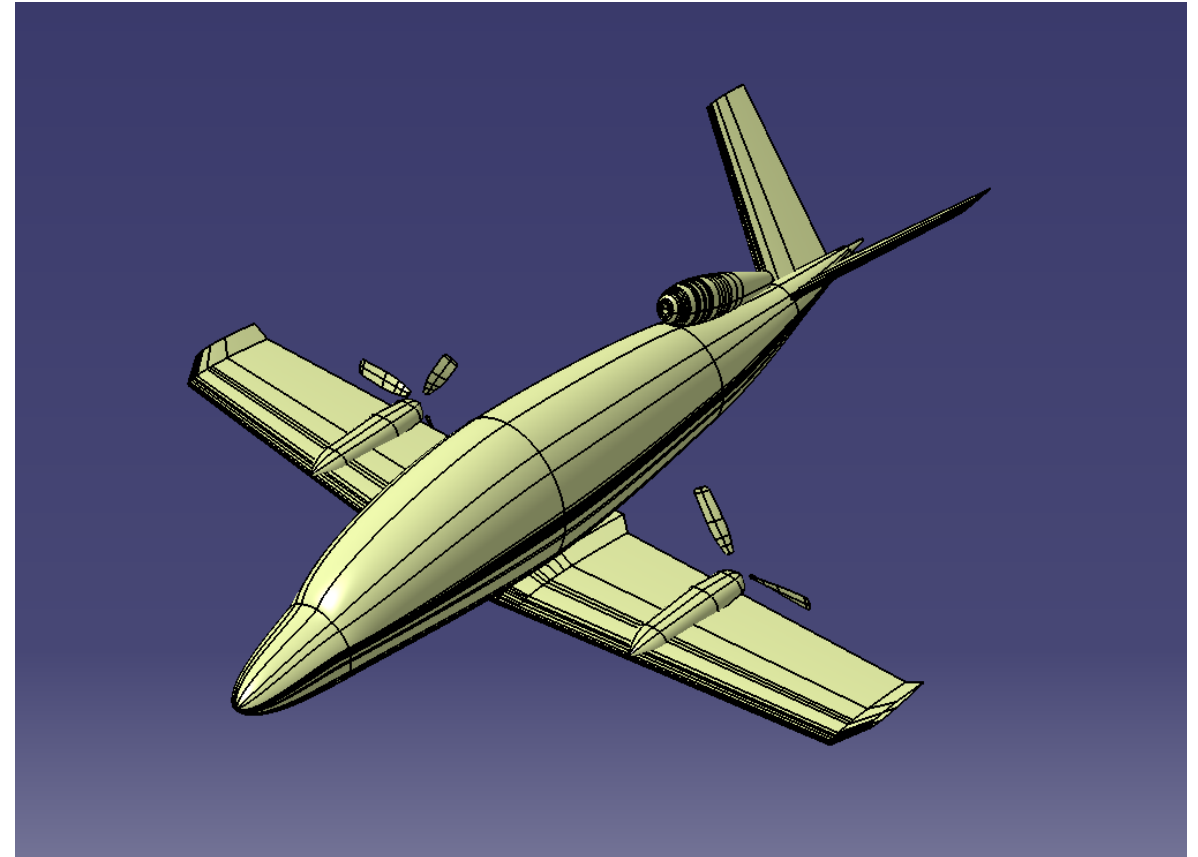
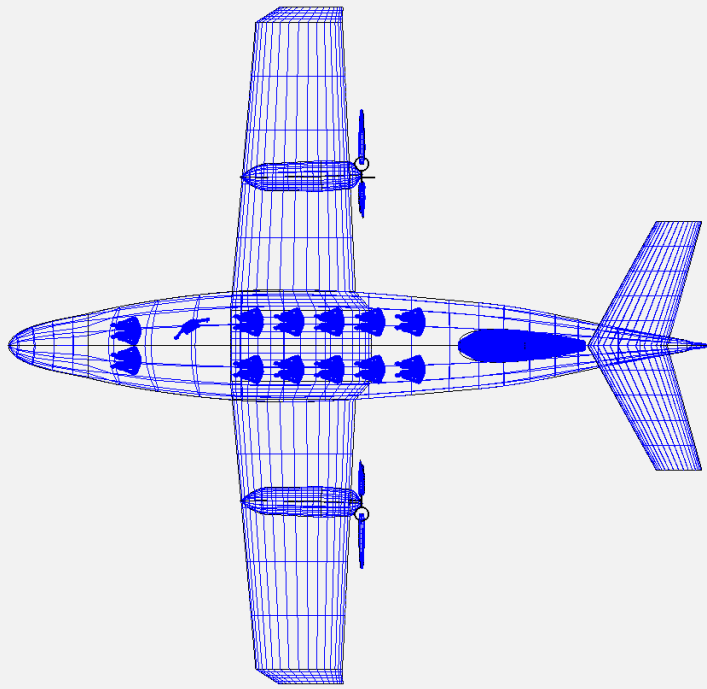
Decision Matrix

Solaris XII-1

Feature	Weight 1-5	Configuration Score 1- Okay, 2- Good, 3-Best				
		Kiana	Alex	Kevin	Percy	Annabelle
Complexity (3- Least)	3	1	2	1	1	2
Cost of Materials	2	1	2	2	2	1
Propulsion System	2	2	3	2	3	2
Max Take Off Weight (3- least)	4	1	3	2	1	3
Environmental Efficiency	5	3	3	3	3	2
Reliability	4	2	2	3	2	2
Passengar Capacity - between 10 and 20	5	1	2	3	3	2
Cargo Capacity	3	3	2	1	2	3
Technology feasibility	4	2	3	2	1	3
Aesthetics	3	2	3	3	1	1
Maintenance - Engine access	4	2	3	2	3	3
Operation - Cabin entry	3	3	3	3	2	3
Operation - Refueling	2	2	1	3	1	2
Operation - Piloting	3	3	2	2	2	3
Already Present Infrastructure	4	3	2	3	1	1
Retractable Landing Gear?	2	3	3	3	1	3
Stability	3	1	2	2	3	3
Maneuverability	2	1	2	3	1	1
Operating Cost	4	2	3	2	3	2
L/D Estimation	3	1	2	2	1	1
Total	65	128	159	154	126	142



Modeling Solaris XIL-1



Performance Constraints

	Targeted Range	Rationale
Weight (MTOW)	~11000lb (MTOW)	Max weight under selected engine
Empty weight	~6000 lb	
Turbofan Thrust:	3600 lbf	VerdeGo Aero VH-5 or Garret TFE731-60
Fuel Capacity	3000 lb	Fuel Capacity to meet 1500 nmi range
T/W ratio	0.3-0.4	Ideal for short field performance
Required Electrical Power at cruise:	150-200 kWh	Power required to maintain 200 kts cruise
Aspect Ratio:	8.5-9.5	
Takeoff Roll at MTOW	4000 ft	Under optimized conditions, we expect takeoff performance around 2000 ft
Cruise Speed/Alt	200kts/15000 ft	Optimized Cruising Speed
Service Ceiling	20,000 ft	Maximum Altitude for Propellor driven cruise.

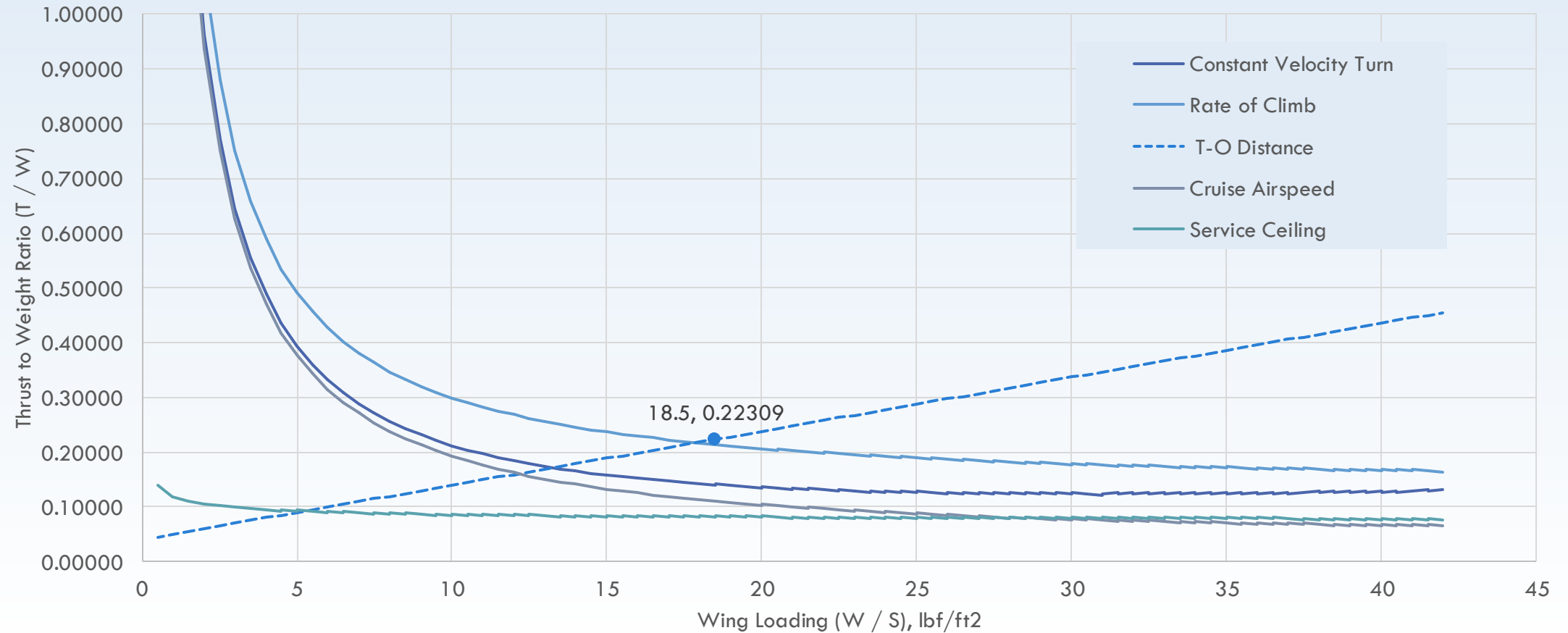
Constraint Analysis – Similar Aircraft

Aircraft Name	Powerplant (Thrust)	Length	Wingspan	MTOW	Tail Configuration	Pax: Capacity
Cirrus Vision Jet	Williams FJ33 (1846 lbf)	30' 6"	38'	6000	V-Tail	6
Eclipse 400	P&W PW600 (1200 lbf)	28' 7"	36'	4800	V-Tail	6
Piper PA-47 Piper Jet	Williams FJ44 (2820 lbf)	35' 8"	44' 3"	7250	Standard Vertical Tail	7

*red color is most similar to our design in terms of size and power

Constraint Analysis Diagram

Constraint Analysis Diagram:
Thrust to Weight Ratio (T/W) vs Wing Loading (W/S)



Regulations: Engineer



- Normal Category Airplane
- FAA Title 14 CFR Part 23
 - Level 4 High Speed
- Under 19 passengers
- Under 19,000 MCTOW
- No flight attendants required

Regulations: Business



- Part 135 – Commercial Operations
- Part 91 – Corporate/Private Operations
- Will require type rating as new aircraft
- IFR-certified autopilot mandatory for commercial ops
- Freedoms of Air do not apply

Stakeholders: Government and Military Use



Short
Range
VIP

Lower-level officials
can have access to
private transport
leading to more secure
and efficient
government travel



Med
Evac



Aircraft with STOL
features can access
more places in rougher
and remote areas



Law
Enforce
ment



Border Patrol and
aerial surveillance can
be done in a much
more sustainable way



NOAA



New equipment that
represents an upgrade
over existing
technology



Naval
ops



Coast guard search
and rescue operations.
Light carriers or
amphibious assault
ships.

Market Strategies

01 Intra-European Aviation

02 Short Range Point-to-Point

03 Executive Travel





Maximum Range Routes

- JFK – DFW – 1,390 NM
- LHR – ATH – 1,485 NM
- CDG – IST – 1,488 NM



Important Routes

- Paris – Nice 430 NM
- London – Paris 200 NM
- Geneva – Paris 230 NM
- London – Nice 650 NM
- London – Mykonos 1,350 NM
- New York – Miami 950 NM



Popular EU Routes

Average distance of
356.4 miles

Route	Annual Flights	Distance (km)	Distance (miles)	Flight Time (hrs)
London – Paris	3,357	343	185.2	~1
London – Nice	2,896	1,029	555.6	~2
Paris – Geneva	2,556	410	221.4	~1
London – Geneva	2,502	741	400.1	~1.5
London – Zurich	2,331	777	419.5	~1.5

Significant European Corporate Traffic

LHR
LGW

CDG
IST

FRA

AMS

State of the European BizAv Market

Fleet Composition and Availability:

As of February 2024, the European Union and Turkey housed a fleet of 4,883 business jets and turboprops, with 7.7% (375 aircraft) available for sale, up from 5.3% (253 aircraft) in February 2023.

Market Growth and Projections:

The European business jet market is projected to grow from \$5.2 billion in 2025 to \$7.08 billion by 2030, reflecting a compound annual growth rate (CAGR) of 6.36%.

Market Dynamics:

The European market remains a major hub of the global Business Aviation sector, though demand for aircraft has fallen back somewhat from its recent peak.

Flight Operations and Trends:

In 2024, Europe recorded 10.7 million flights, a 5% increase from 2023, reaching 96% of 2019 levels.

Business aviation flights in Europe were up 7.5% in the first half of 2024 compared to the same period in 2019.

Attractiveness of the European Market

Sustainability Focus: Europe has a strong regulatory and public push for sustainable aviation, with increased emphasis on reducing carbon emissions and adopting greener alternatives.

Public Perception & Protests: The industry has faced public scrutiny, including protests such as the spray-painting of private jets in 2023 and disruptions at the **Corporate Jet Investor** conference in London.

Regulatory Challenges: The EU has introduced stricter emissions policies, such as the **Fit for 55** initiative, aiming to reduce aviation emissions by 55% by 2030.

Advancing Green Technologies: Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF) and hybrid-electric aircraft are gaining traction as potential solutions to align with environmental expectations.

Competitive Advantage: Incorporating hybrid technology into aircraft can enhance acceptance in the European market, making business aviation more aligned with sustainability goals.

Financial Analysis of Corporate Aviation

- Cost per Hour
- Cost per Seat
- Cost per NM
- Revenue Passenger Miles



Cost Evaluations

- Empty Weight (W_e): 6000 lb
- Max Velocity (V) : 300 knots (506 ft/s)
- Number of flight test aircraft (FTA): 2
- Number to be produced in 5 years (Q): 50

Table 1: Formulas used from Aircraft Design by Daniel P. Raymer

Development	Production	Operational
\$28,185,500	\$757,470,000 For 100 aircraft	\$195,000

Costs per Hour, Mile and Seat:

Seat Capacity	Average Cost Per Hour	Average Range	Cost per seat
3	\$888.59	687.0	\$296.20
4	\$838.45	400.0	\$209.61
5	\$1,298.17	1460.5	\$259.63
6	\$1,747.15	1580.7	\$291.19
7	\$2,103.98	2261.0	\$300.57
8	\$3,011.36	2738.0	\$376.42
9	\$2,817.53	2941.0	\$313.06
10	\$3,208.03	3909.7	\$320.80
12	\$3,747.01	5667.7	\$312.25
13	\$4,460.96	4718.8	\$343.15
14	\$4,747.16	4363.0	\$339.08
15	\$3,544.71	2946.0	\$236.31
18	\$4,807.37	7102.7	\$267.08
19	\$7,146.04	5727.2	\$376.11

Fixed Costs

Category	Midsize Jet (Estimates)
Aircraft Acquisition Cost (Ownership)	\$15M - \$25M
Depreciation (Annual)	\$750K - \$1.5M
Hangar Fees (Annual)	\$30K - \$60K
Crew Salaries & Training (Annual)	\$500K - \$1M
Insurance (Annual)	\$50K - \$250K
Fuel Cost per Hour	\$3,500 - \$5,000
Maintenance & Repairs per Hour	\$800 - \$1,500
Landing & Handling Fees per Flight	\$500 - \$2,000
Catering & Passenger Services per Flight	\$500 - \$1,500
Charter Rate per Hour (Revenue)	\$5,000 - \$8,000



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