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Retirements, Part-Outs and Dismantling in Uncertain Times

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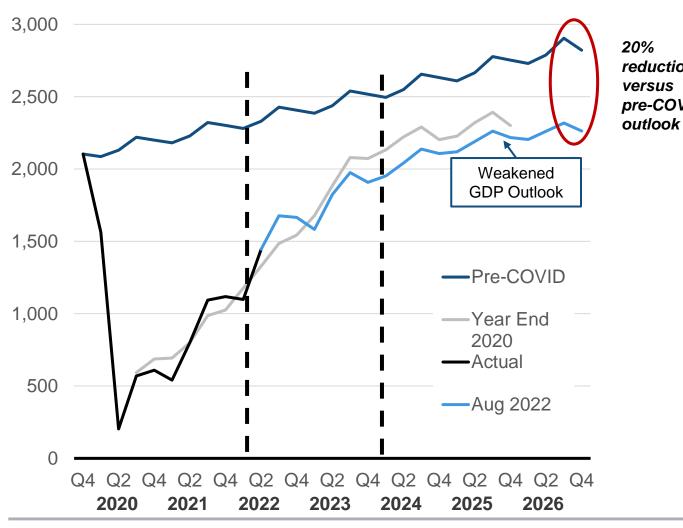
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# AeroDynamic Advisory estimates travel to reach 2019 levels by 2024, but the longer-term outlook has weakened

### Global Travel Demand Forecast (Billion RPK per Quarter)



20%
reduction
versus
pre-COVID

### **Recovery drivers**

Loosening border restrictions in Asia Pacific

Pent-up demand

### **Recovery Drags**

Russia/Ukraine War

China Lockdowns

Staffing Issues

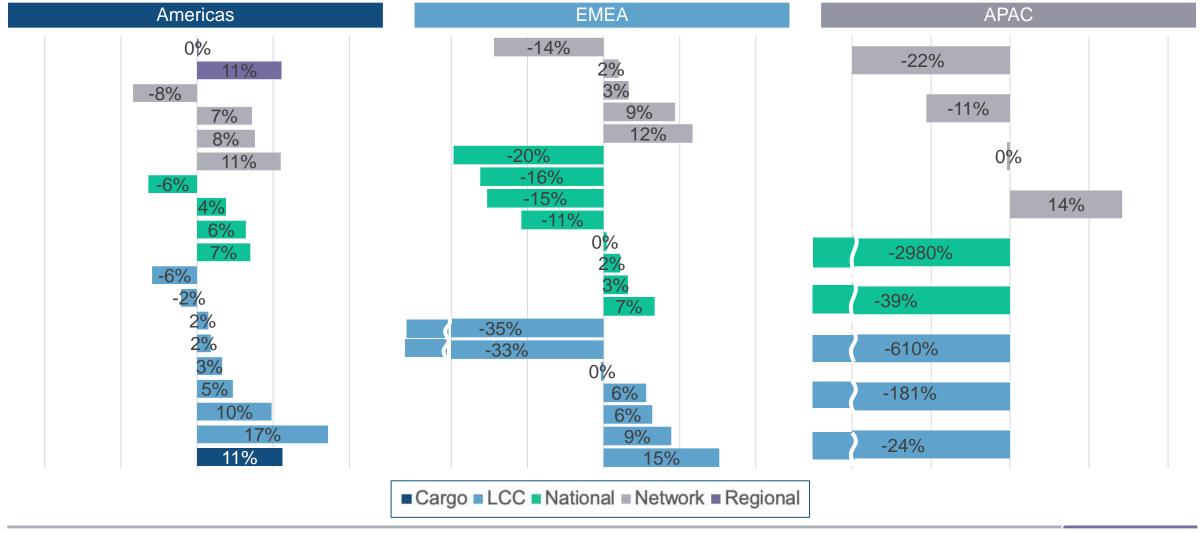
Macroeconomics

Downside risks greater than upside potential



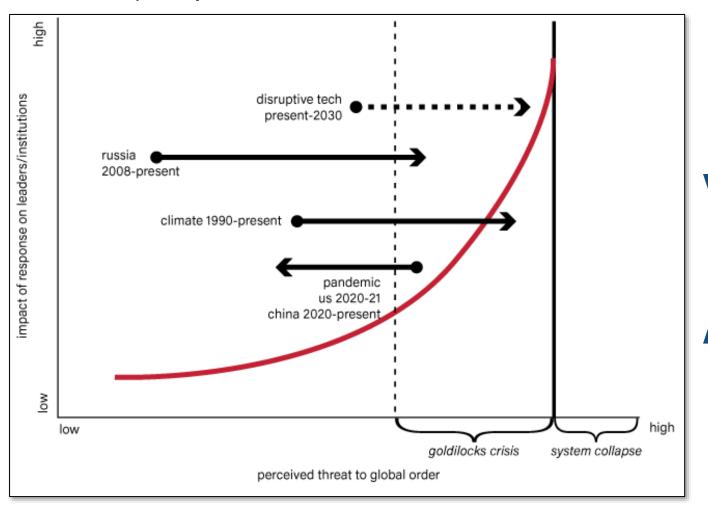
# Although several airlines are now generating positive operating margins the industry is not well positioned for a downturn

## 2022 Q2 Airline Operating Margins



# Beyond the current crisis, several dark clouds in the global outlook make for an uncertain macro environment over the coming decades

### Eurasia Group Analysis of Risks and Threats to Global Order

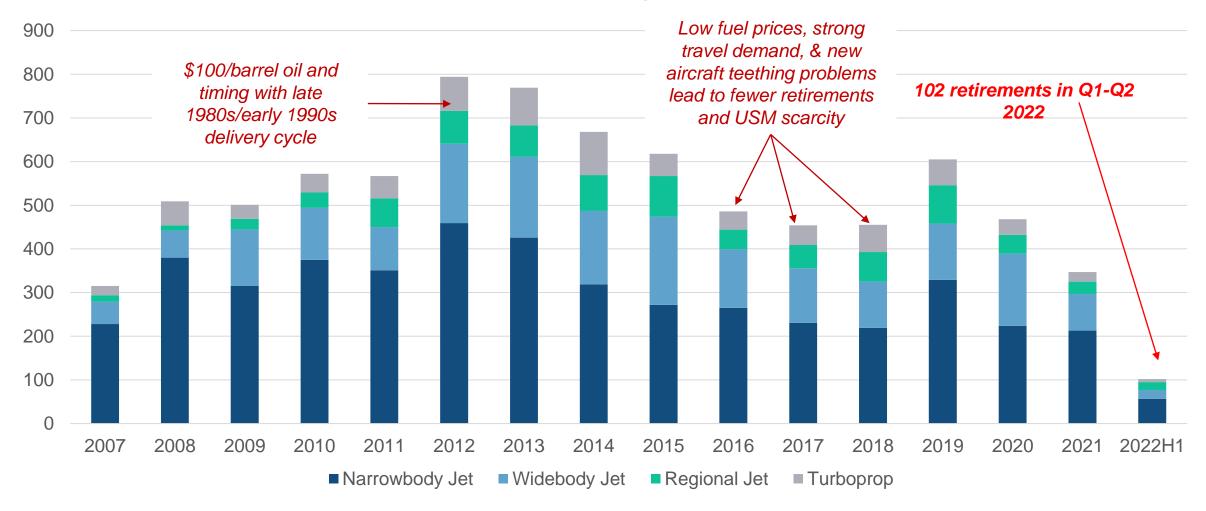


#### Implications for Aerospace Ecosystem

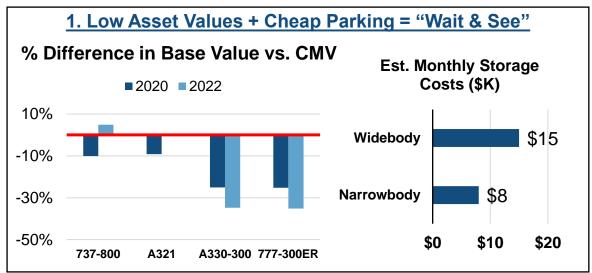
- Greater volatility and risk
- Changing travel patterns
- Air travel regionalization
- > Narrowbody focus
- → Asset pricing volatility → opportunity for finding attractively priced assets

# Quarterly retirements remain at record-low levels; there have been 102 retirements in the first half of 2022

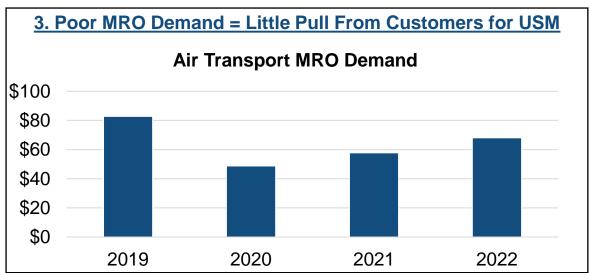
# Quarterly Air Transport Retirements, Q1 2007 – Q2 2022 (as of August 22, 2022)

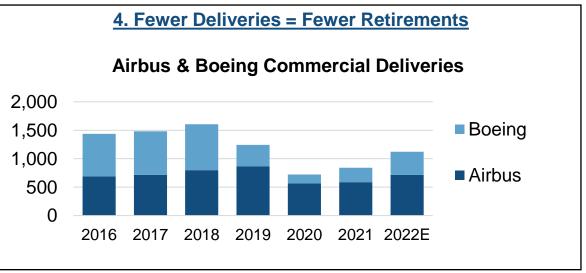


Retirements have lagged expectations due to low asset values, cheap parking, airline desire for fleet flexibility, low MRO demand, and low deliveries



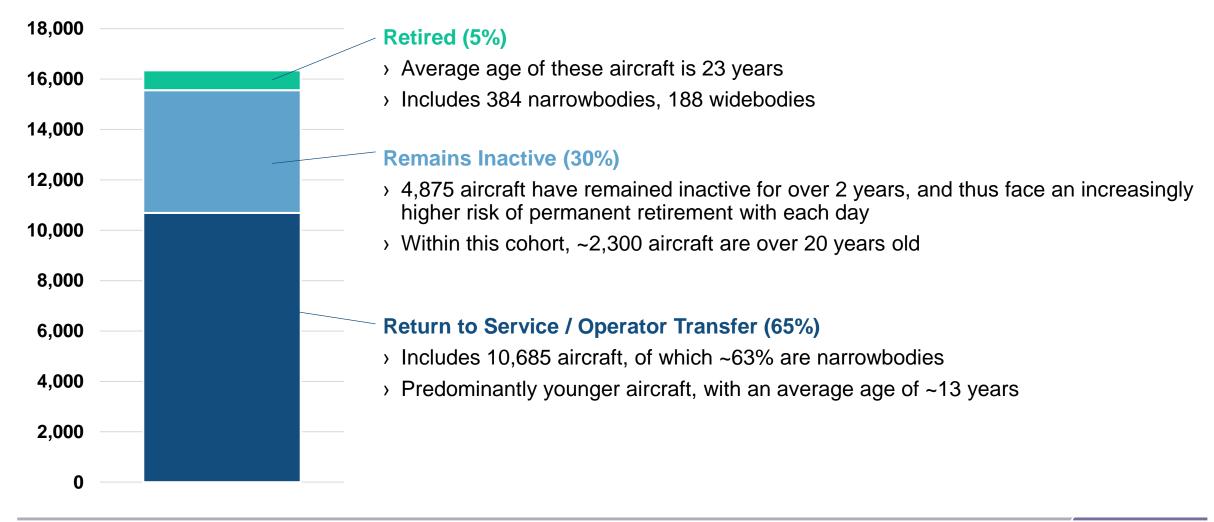






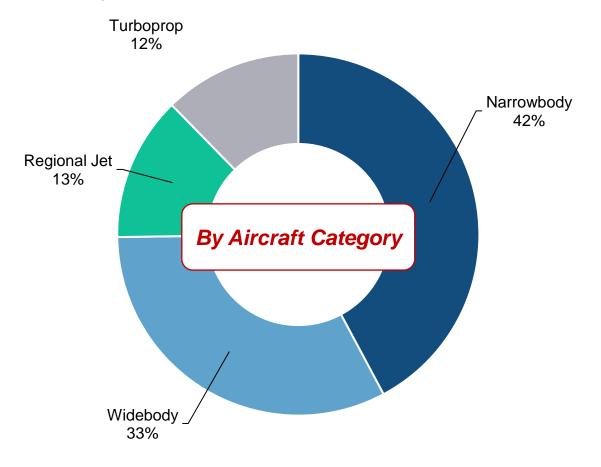
Of the ~16,000 aircraft that were inactive at the height of the pandemic, ~65% have re-entered service and only ~5% have been retired; 4,875 aircraft have been parked for >2 years

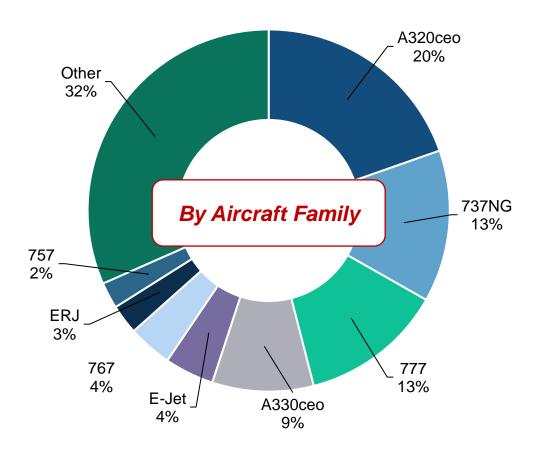
### Est. Outcome of Q1 2020 Inactive Fleet - As of September 21, 2022



Despite the current trough, a wave of 5,000 aircraft are expected to removed from service. The A320ceo, 737NG, 777 and A330 are projected to account for about half of all retirements through 2025

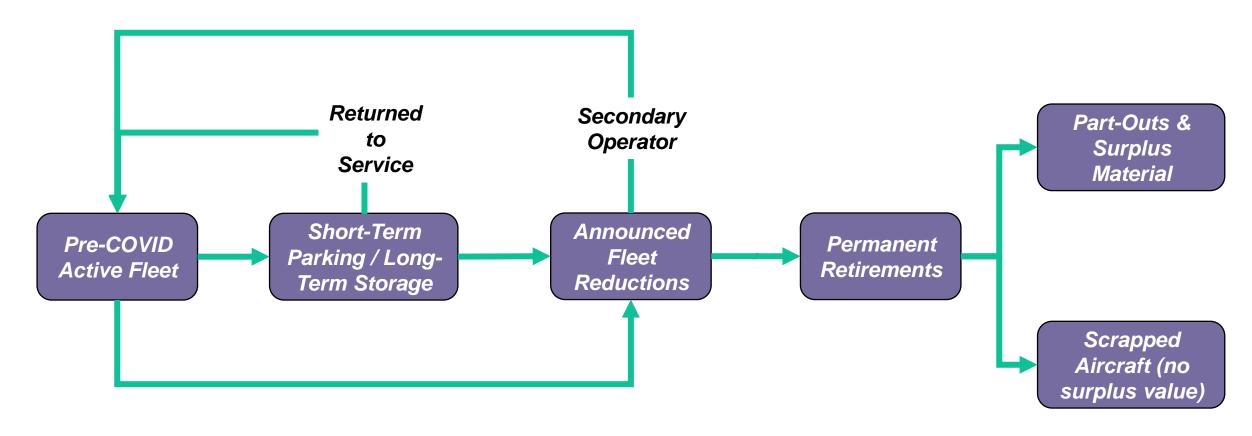
# 2020-2025 Air Transport Removal From Service Total = 5,275 Aircraft





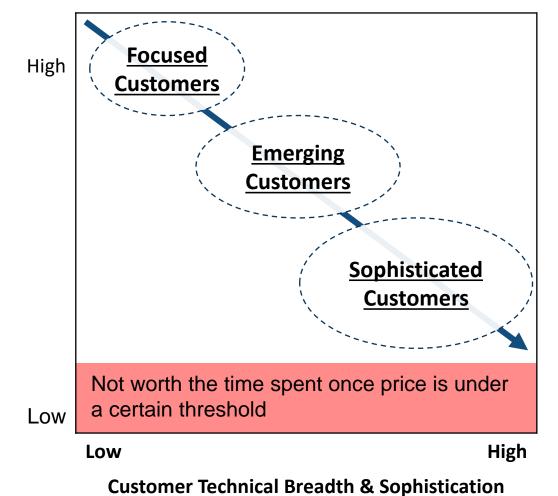
Once there is favorable MRO demand, retired aircraft will increasingly be parted out, generating more surplus material into the market

#### Aircraft Status Flow Chart



# Airlines' approaches to buying USM vary considerably; the most sophisticated have broad engineering teams and high preference for alternative MRO solutions

### Comparison of USM Customer Segments

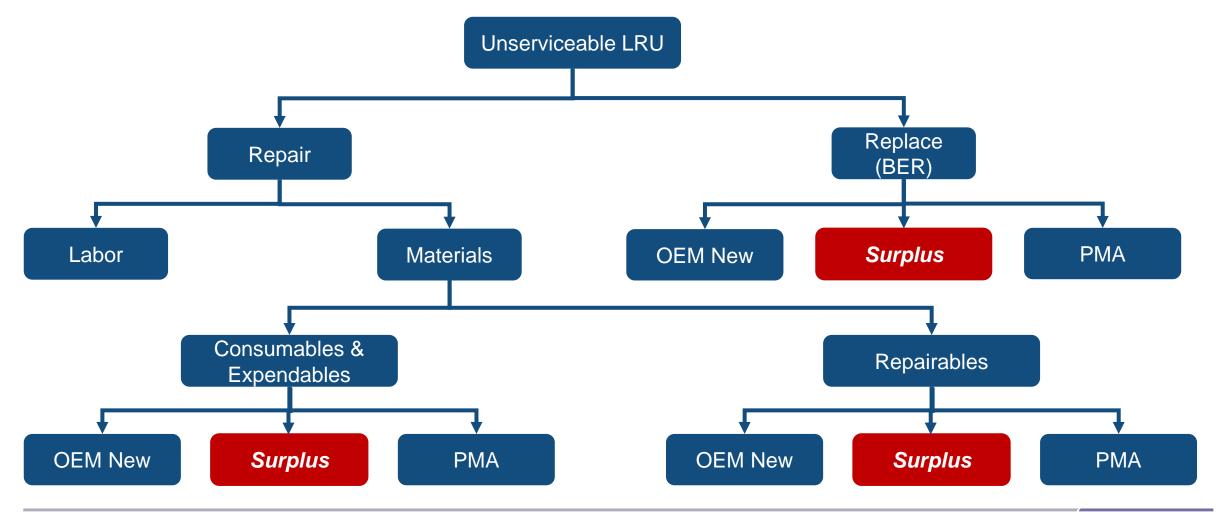


Factors & Traits	Focused	Emerging	Sophisticated
Breadth & Focus of Engineering Team	Limited	Moderate	Broad
Preference for Alternative MRO Solutions	Low	Medium, but increasing	High
Example Operators	cebu pacific Ethiopian YAAYAR Peach S	Emirates  QATAR 中国南方航空 GIM SULULIN A FR THE FS  SINGAPORE AIRLINES	DELTA  American Airlines  UNITED  FedEx.  AIRFRANCEKLM GROUP  Lufthansa

**Price Threshold for USM** 

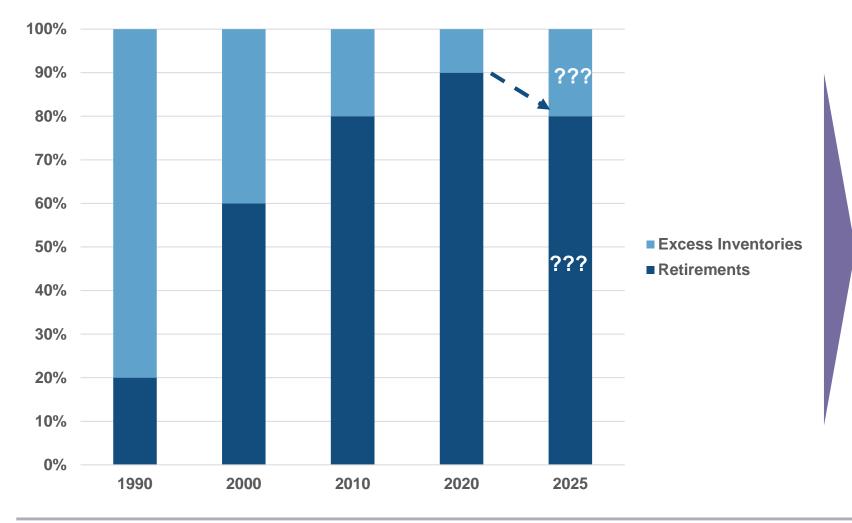
# Surplus / USM can touch all three material types throughout the repair vs. replace decision-making process

Repair vs. Replace Decision Tree



The share of surplus material generated from part-outs could decrease due to excess inventories from airline bankruptcies & failures, as well as excess inventories at OEMs and MROs

# **Estimated Breakdown of Surplus Material Sources, 1990-2025**



### **Implications**

- More surplus material generated from excess inventories
- More surplus consumables & expendables

Besides the anticipated wave of retirements, two other key trends include the growing global acceptance of surplus parts and component OEM encroachment into the space

# **Growing Global Acceptance of USM**

# Asia Pacific & China



- Cost savings becoming more widely recognized
- New part-out facilities opening in China for mainland Chinese customers

#### Middle East



- > Financial pressures on Middle East "Big Three" carriers
- Emirates experimenting with USM and greentime with first A380s removals
- > IATA standards helped increase the acceptance of USM

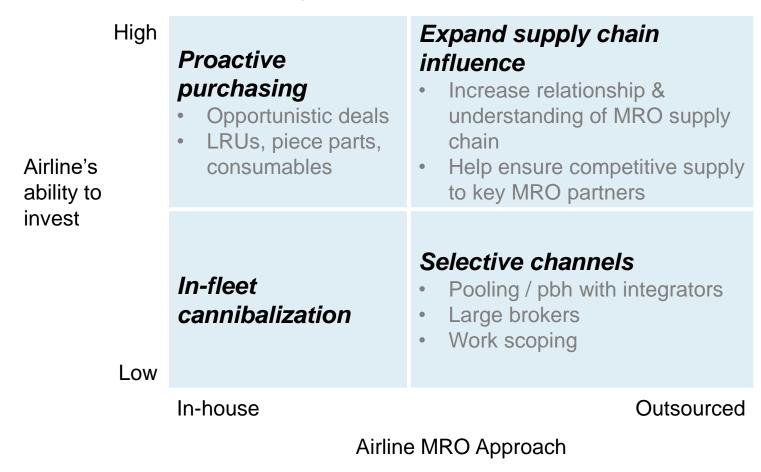


- > Seeking to to form more competitive value propositions
- Some formed trading platforms for their own products and other OEM products - Honeywell Aerospace Trading and Collins / Intertrade
- Other take targeted approach, trading for their own products to feed into their spare parts and repair solutions (examples Moog, Eaton Aerospace, and Liebherr)



# Airlines' options around USM depends on their general MRO approach and ability to invest

### Sample Options for Maximizing Airline Use of USM



#### Considerations & Trade-Offs

- Airline business model
- Access to talent
- Fleet age
- > Fleet ownership / lease terms

Until 2020 AeroDynamic Advisory conducted and published industry-wide measurements of airline satisfaction with the top 40 OEMs – <u>are airlines ready to invest their time in this again?</u>

AeroDynamic Advisory Air Transport Aftermarket Customer Satisfaction Survey











Purpose: To drive improved customer service by making OEM performance transparent to the market



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