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RESEARCH REVEALS VALUE OF LARGE JET DELIVERIES TO EUROPE **BETWEEN 2011 AND 2015**

- 709 large business jets delivered at an estimated cost of over \$35.4 billion

25 May 2016, Geneva – New research⁽¹⁾ from Global Jet Capital, a provider of financing solutions for large-cabin, long-range private jets, reveals that 709 mid to heavy private jets were delivered to Europe between 2011 and 2015, with a combined value estimated at over \$35.4 billion.

Global Jet Capital says these aircraft typically cost between \$25 million and \$75 million each, and up to 80% of the funding used to purchase these is sourced through external financing.

While overall deliveries of business jets to Europe are down 35%, when comparing the five-year time periods 2006-2010 with 2011-2015, deliveries of mid to heavy jets have increased by 18%. Similarly, the corresponding figure for global deliveries of larger jets has also decreased by 19%.

The largest number of deliveries was to Germany (134), accounting for one in five of all mid-sized to heavy jet deliveries to Europe between 2011 and 2015. This is an increase of 113% when compared to the previous five-year period (2006-2010). The second largest number of deliveries was to the UK (86 deliveries), followed by Austria (57 deliveries) and Switzerland (55 deliveries).

The aviation finance specialist, which recently completed the purchase of the aircraft lease and loan portfolio of GE Capital Corporate Aircraft in the Americas representing approximately \$2.5 billion of net assets, has around \$1 billion to lend to clients to purchase relevant business aircraft in Europe and elsewhere around the world.



Dave Labrozzi, Chief Operating Officer of Global Jet Capital said: "Long term, we expect attractive growth in the European business aviation market. Despite deliveries to the region being down as a whole, it has experienced a steady increase in the number of larger aircraft being delivered.

"Given that we are one of the only dedicated aviation finance specialist to operate on a global basis, and we have significant funds available to lend to clients here wanting to purchase mid to large private jets, it is an exciting market for us."

Country	2006-2010	2011-2015	Change, 2006/10- 2011/15	% delivered since 2011
Germany	63	134	112.7%	67.0%
United Kingdom	70	86	22.9%	34.5%
France	25	36	44.0%	28.8%
Switzerland	41	55	34.1%	41.7%
Austria	56	57	1.8%	44.9%
Italy	22	18	-18.2%	26.9%
Russian Federation	69	38	-44.9%	28.4%
Spain	16	11	-31.3%	19.6%
Portugal	68	28	-58.8%	25.7%
Belgium	12	21	75.0%	55.3%
Rest of Europe	158	225	42.4%	49.6%
ALL EUROPE	600	709	18.2%	41.9%
Global fleet	3,131	2,537	-19.0%	19.5%

Global Jet Capital, which was launched in 2014, is capitalized by three global investment firms – GSO Capital Partners, a Blackstone company in partnership with Franklin Square Capital Partners*; The Carlyle Group; and AE Industrial Partners.

The company's current management team and executive committee is composed of leaders from business jet manufacturers, maintenance and service providers and leading financial institutions who have served the private aircraft industry for a combined 200-plus years and have completed over 3,500 aircraft transactions.

Notes to editors

(1) Global Jet Capital analysis of JetNet data, April 2016



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^{**} As of September 30, 2015



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