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JETNET Releases June 2019 and First Six Months of 2019 Pre-Owned Business Jet, Business Turboprop, Helicopter, and Commercial Airliner Market Information

UTICA, NY – JETNET LLC, the leading provider of aviation market information, has released June 2019 and the first six months of 2019 results for the pre-owned business jet, business turboprop, helicopter, and commercial airliner markets.

Market Summary

Highlighted in Table A below are key worldwide trends across all aircraft market segments, comparing June 2019 to June 2018. "Fleet For-Sale" percentages for all sectors were mixed in the June comparisons. June 2019 is on the rise for "For Sale" percentage (9.5%) for business jets.

TRENDS: Except for Piston Helicopters, all aircraft sectors reported double-digit percentage decreases in full sale transactions in the first six months of 2019 versus 2018.

For the first six months of 2019, Pre-owned Business Jets are showing a 21.5% decrease in pre-owned sale transactions, and are taking more time to sell (28 days) than last year. Business turboprops saw a 13.9% decrease in sale transactions, while taking 2 days more to sell than last year.

Interestingly, **New** Business Jet shipments as reported by GAMA increased by 12.5%, from 281 to 316, in the first six months of 2019 compared to 2018. However, **New** Business Turboprops declined by 11.2%, or 29, in the same comparative periods.

Comparing June 2019 to June 2018, turbine helicopters saw a double digit decrease in YTD Sale Transactions, down 13.3%, while piston helicopters showed a decline of 2.6%.

Commercial airliners are also reported by JETNET in Table A – Worldwide Trends, and include the number for sale for both commercial jets (including airliners converted to VIP) and commercial turboprops. Commercial jets and commercial turboprops were down in full sale transactions, at 19.6% and 30.1% respectively, in the YTD June-over-June comparisons.

For the first six months of 2019 there were a total of 4,270 aircraft and helicopters sold, with business jets (1,122) and commercial jets (874) leading all types and accounting for 47% of the total. The number of retail sale transactions across all market sectors—at 4,270—decreased by 874, or 17%, compared to the first six months of 2018. **Note:** JETNET does not cover all piston aircraft inventory or sales. The piston models that JETNET tracks are: Baron 58 series, Cessna 421 series, Diamond DA62, and the Piper high-end singles M350, Malibu, Matrix, and Mirage.

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Table A

Worldwide Trends											
June 2019	Business Aircraft			Helicopters		Commercial Airliners		Total			
	Jet	T/P	Piston	Turbine	Piston	Jet	T/P	ALL			
In-Operation Fleet	22,177	15,706	5,378	22,555	9,867	29,292	7,619	112,594			
For Sale	2,099	1,015	584	1,201	535	279	354	6,067			
% of Fleet For Sale 2019	9.5%	6.5%	10.9%	5.3%	5.4%	1.0%	4.6%	5.4%			
% of Fleet For Sale 2018	9.1%	6.6%	10.8%	5.8%	5.4%	1.1%	5.2%	5.5%			
Change - % For Sale	0.4 pt	(-0.1) pt	0.1 pt	(-0.5) pt	n.c.	(-0.1) pt	(-0.6) pt	(-0.1) pt.			
January to June 2019											
Full Sale Transactions *	1,122	622	260	736	456	874	200	4,270			
Average Days on Market	297	307	301	511	351	442	540	393			
Y-T-D January to June 2019 vs 2018											
% Change - Sale Transactions	-21.5%	-13.9%	-13.9%	-13.3%	-2.6%	-19.6%	-30.1%	-17.0%			
Differences - Sale Transactions	-308	-100	-42	-113	-12	-213	-86	-874			
Change - Avg. Days on Market	28	2	29	-31	58	-126	112	10			

Source: JETNET; Business Jets excludes executive airliners and piston aircraft; Full Sale Transactions includes Whole and Leased only.

Global, USA, and Non-USA Pre-Owned Market Trends

Highlighted in Table B are business jets and business turboprops, comparing the months of June from 2012 to 2019 (seven years) for the USA vs. Non-USA aircraft in operation, for sale, and percentage for sale.

The general trend has been that growth in business jets has out-paced turboprops in the last seven years. Since June 2012, 3,545 new business jets have joined the global fleet, as compared to 2,193 turboprops.

The number for sale and percentage for sale have declined since 2012. The split between USA vs. Non-USA for business jets in operation has remained at 60/40 levels, whereas the business turboprops split of inoperation USA vs. Non-USA is about 51/49. Interestingly, the number for sale in the USA vs. Non-USA is 61/39 for business jets and 58/42 for business turboprops. Currently, for sale business jets exceeded the 2,000 mark after a steady decline since 2016.

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Business Jets	Aircraft In Operation			Airc	craft For S	Sale	Per	Percent For Sale		
	Global	USA	Non USA	Global	USA	Non USA	Global	USA	Non USA	
Jun. 2012	18,632	11,075	7,557	2,518	1,560	958	13.5%	14.0%	12.6%	
Jun. 2013	19,139	11,330	7,809	2,518	1,502	1,016	13.1%	13.2%	13.0%	
Jun. 2014	19,719	11,660	8,059	2,332	1,379	953	11.8%	11.8%	11.8%	
Jun. 2015	20,290	12,097	8,193	2,272	1,371	901	11.2%	11.3%	10.9%	
Jun. 2016	20,848	12,491	8,357	2,436	1,453	983	11.6%	11.6%	11.7%	
Jun. 2017	21,354	12,863	8,491	2,301	1,379	922	10.7%	10.7%	10.8%	
Jun. 2018	21,677	13,102	8,575	1,966	1,237	729	9.0%	9.4%	8.5%	
Jun. 2019	22,177	13,557	8,620	2,099	1,336	763	9.4%	9.8%	8.8%	
Differences 2019/2012	3,545	2,482	1,063	-419	-224	-195	-4.1	-4.2	-3.8	
	Aircraft In Operation			Airc	Aircraft For Sale			Percent For Sale		
Business Turboprops	Aircraft In Operation Non			Airc	Aircraft For Sale			Percent For Sale		
	Global	USA	USA	Global	USA	USA	Global	USA	USA	
Jun. 2012	13,513	6,977	6,536	1,200	724	476	8.8%	10.3%	7.2%	
Jun. 2013	13,913	7,114	6,799	1,070	627	443	7.6%	8.8%	6.5%	
Jun. 2014	14,256	7,222	7,034	1,104	627	477	7.7%	8.6%	6.7%	
Jun. 2015	14,532	7,370	7,162	1,158	644	514	7.9%	8.7%	7.1%	
Jun. 2016	14,862	7,577	7,285	1,230	713	517	8.2%	9.4%	7.0%	
Jun. 2017	15,125	7,730	7,395	1,155	677	478	7.6%	8.7%	6.4%	
Jun. 2018	15,376	7,814	7,562	1,012	597	415	6.5%	7.6%	5.4%	
Jun. 2019	15,706	7,977	7,729	1,015	592	423	6.4%	7.4%	5.4%	
Differences 2019/2012	2,193	1.000	1,193	-185	-132	-53	-2.4	-2.9	-1.8	

Pre-Owned Business Jet Transactions

Chart A displays the 12-month moving average for full retail transactions for business jets from December 2011 to June 2019.

From December 2011, used business jet transactions steadily increased until June 2016 to a high point of 2,725. A falling-off occurred in the second half of 2016 to a low point of 2,522 in December 2016, and has since steadily increased to 2,892 transactions in December 2018. However, starting in January 2019, the 12-month moving average for full retail transactions for business jets has declined to 2,584, or 21.5%.

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Chart A



* Wholesale and Lease Transactions

Pre-owned Business Jets Retail Sale Transactions* Dec. 2011 to Jun. 2019

This decline is only slightly above the low point of 2,522 full sale transactions recorded in December 2016. Accordingly, 2019 is off to a bad start for the pre-owned business jet market.

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