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Aerospace Supply Chain and Manufacturing

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Outline



Welcome



Workshop purpose



Current Gaps and Challenges



Opportunities



Collaboration and next steps

Welcome

Grateful for your passion around one of the largest barriers in aerospace



Supply Chain Basics



Supply chain consists of all parties involved, directly or indirectly, in fulfilling a customer need



Aerospace supply chain is an ecosystem of different supplier tiers



Includes manufacturers, suppliers, transporters, warehouses, etc.



Supply chain management refers to coordination of all activities

Supply chain impacts entire life cycle from early conceptual design to high volume manufacturing

- All types of aircraft in all phases
- Maintenance, repair, and overhaul
- Skills and talents





Job Search

- Boeing
- Pratt Whitney
- Airports
- Vimana Robotics
- Zipline
- Joby Aviation
- Collins
- Aircraft Propeller Services
- Many more
- 75000+ jobs for all industries

Basic Statistics on Manufacturing



Boeing and Airbus: 1600+



General Aviation (piston, turboprop, business jets): ~2000



Rotocraft: 1020



Cars: 70M (OICA, 2018) Cars in US: 2.8M

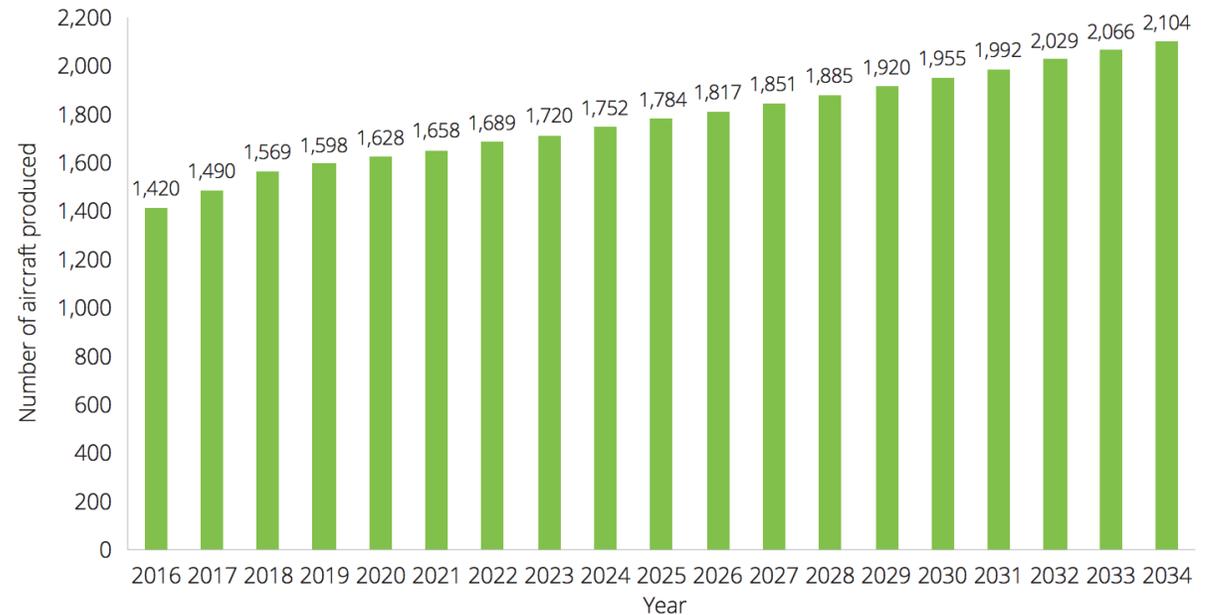
Conventional Aircraft



Current Situation (\$800+B backlog)

- Boeing and Airbus have backorders (~5000+, with ~55/month rate)
 - Boeing delivered 806 aircraft and Airbus 800 in 2018
 - Airbus 863 (2019, 7% up)
 - In 2016, Boeing had 5715 undelivered orders and Airbus had 6874

Forecasted production levels of commercial aircraft: 2016 to 2034



Source: Deloitte analysis, Airbus, Boeing

Challenges

- Casings and forging
- Composites
- Auxiliary Power Units
- Printed Circuit Boards
- Actuators
- Software
- High volume manufacturing and assembly methods
- Many others

Small Investment Castings



Large Structural Castings



Forgings



CFM56



LEAP



Supply Chain Considerations and Challenges

(Credit: EY – A&D Edge, Supply Chain Management in Aerospace and Defense, Feb 2018, slides 8-9)

	Design and Engineering	Planning	Procurement	Manufacturing	Aftermarket
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Multiple sourcing	High	Moderate			High	
Readiness assessment		High		High	Moderate	
Local players in supply network		High		Moderate	Moderate	Low

**Similar challenges
for electric or
hybrid, supersonic,
and hypersonic
aircraft – may be
even worse**

Drones

DOD looks to expand drone industrial base amid supply chain concerns

By Lauren C. Williams | Aug 26, 2019





Summer Internship Project:
Hard to find all supplies
quickly that will satisfy NASA
and other government needs



Drone industry needs sustainable supply chain and manufacturing capabilities



Vertical Take-off and Landing

Needs



Many calls, texts, and interactions about looking for suppliers and manufacturers

Overmolding

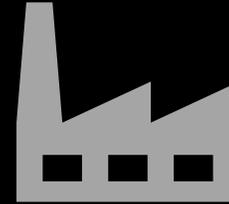
Actuators

Electric motors

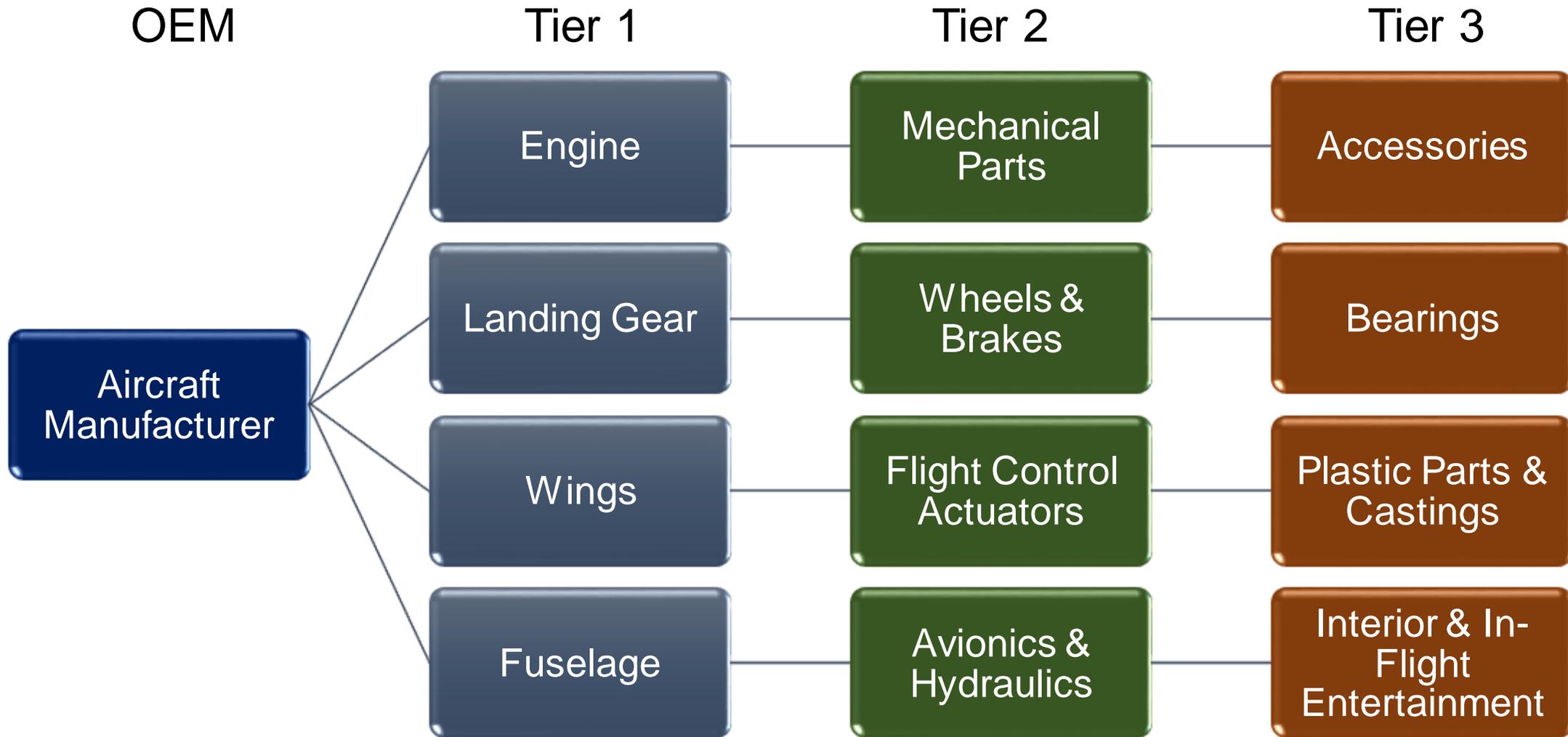
Propellers

Casting

Many other components and manufacturing needs



**Need suppliers for entire life cycle:
Design to high volume manufacturing**



- **OEM** – Control design, manufacturing and assembly function, the most critical component of value chain
- **Tier 1** – Support Primes by providing them with equipments and systems like engines, Wings, Fuselage
- **Tier 2** – Manufacture and develop parts as per the specifications provided by primes and Tier 1 suppliers
- **Tier 3** – Responsible for supplying basic products, components and other non-core value added services

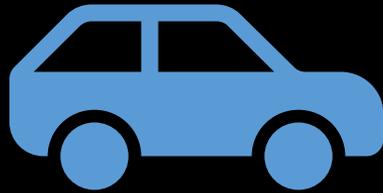
Opportunity to create a tiered system for eVTOLs

Maintenance, Repair and Overhaul (MRO) Market

- Global industry: \$80+ Billion
- Network needed for eVTOLS

Outlook

Need sustainable supplier, manufacturer, and MRO network



Car companies are entering aero industry



Need to understand the production certificate, and aviation grade manufacturing needs



Putting it all together

Current State of the Art: Risk Archetypes

- Limited/sole sources
- Fragile supplier and market
- Capacity constrained supply market
- Foreign dependency
- Diminishing manufacturing sources and material shortages
- Gap in U.S. human capital
- Product security

Executive Order

- Assessing and strengthening the manufacturing and defense industrial base and supply chain resiliency of the United States
- Executive order 13806, September 2018
 - Decline of U.S. manufacturing capabilities and capacities
 - Competitiveness
 - Diminishing STEM and trade skills

 ECONOMY NATIONAL SECURITY BUDGET IMMIGRATION THE OPIOID CRISIS

EXECUTIVE ORDERS

**Presidential Executive Order on
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— ECONOMY & JOBS | Issued on: July 21, 2017

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Supply Chain Strategies

Reference: Operations Management, Heizer et al (2016)



Many suppliers



Few suppliers



Vertical Integration



Joint Ventures



Horizontal Integration



Keiretsu Networks (part collaboration, part few suppliers, part vertical integration)



Virtual Companies

Known Aero Supply Chain Related Issues (California Manufacturing Network, 2018)



Sourcing of raw materials – aluminum, steel, copper, etc.



Mitigating supply disruption risks (e.g., geopolitical considerations)



Coping with Modernization and Emerging Technologies (e.g., wiring problems, software issues, late deliveries of lavatories)



Shortage of skilled workers (Tim Cook's view on outsourcing)

Recommendations: Supply Chain for Urban Air Mobility Vehicles



Time to start building an entire new
eco-system



Take advantage of other manufacturing
(e.g., auto)



Rebuild/train auto, heavy industries,
traditional aerospace suppliers to
consider VTOL



Get regional manufacturing and supply
chain associations exposed to
emerging aero needs

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Build an electronic exchange platform to connect VTOL customers with suppliers

Prototypes

Job production

Mass production

Quality management based on FAA production need



Training workforce: curriculum, skills, and entrepreneurs



Establish tiered system



Establish MRO network

Immediate Success: *Grow emerging aerospace ecosystem*



Convert non-aero suppliers and manufactures



Expand current aero suppliers and manufacturers in new areas



See opportunity and identify areas to contribute



Create a tired system and electronic platform for eVTOLs

Conclusions



Build supply chain and manufacturing base for aero needs – particularly for emerging vehicles



Support OEMs with supplier and manufacturing base and MROs



Increase production rate and delivery as compared with today's aerospace manufacturing and assembly state of the art



Parts access will need to be rapid for MROs



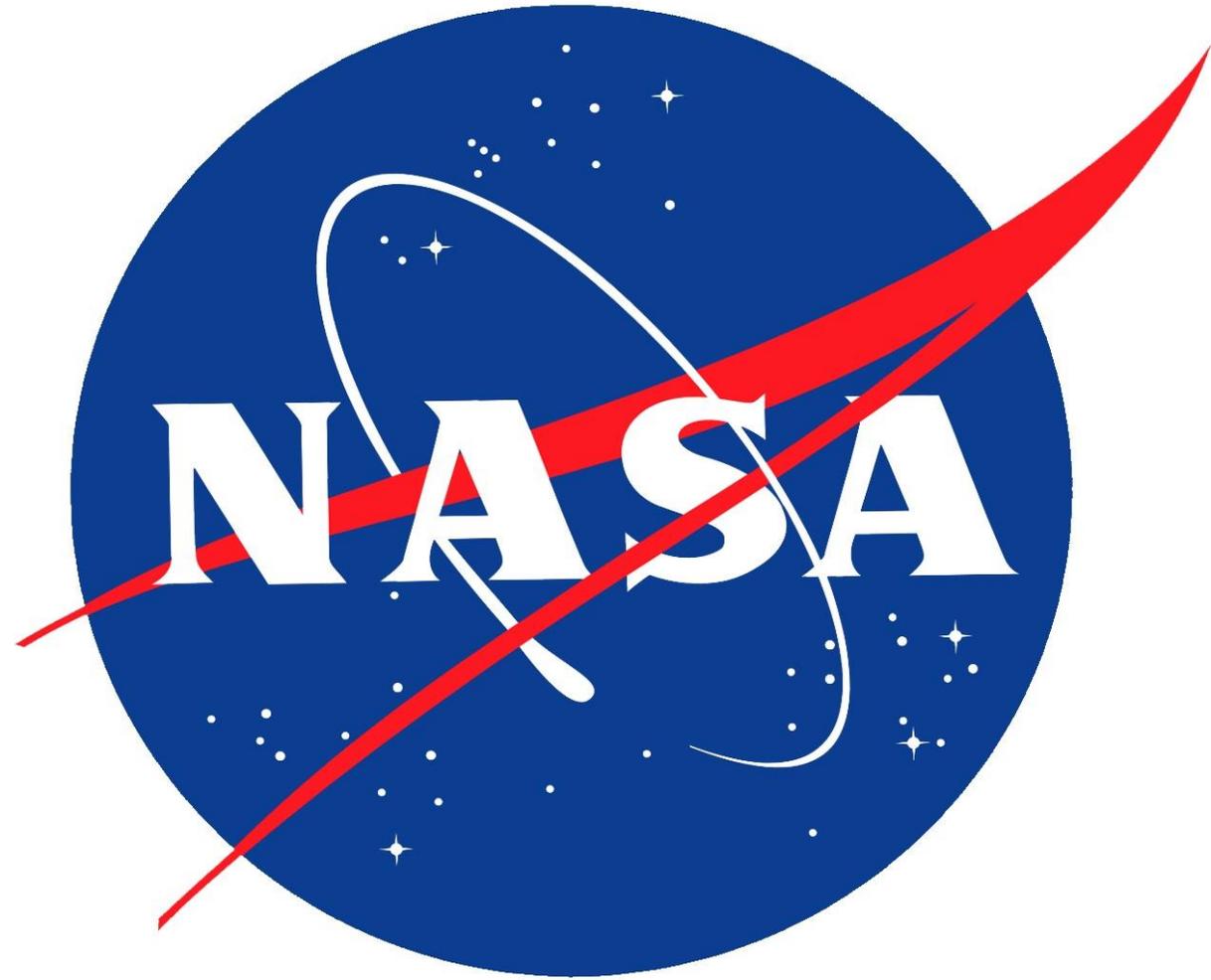
Build electronic platform with authenticated parts and certified supplier and manufacturer base



Time to rebuild skills, talents, digital enterprise and attract new manufacturers to scale deliveries

<https://arc.cnf.io>

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BACKUP



Scalability is Fundamental Need for UAM

- Many pilots (or acceptable and reliable autonomy)
- Spectrum availability
- Airspace operations (e.g., Unmanned Aircraft System Traffic Management type construct)
- Acceptable noise
- **Mass production of electric or hybrid VTOLs**
- **Infrastructure (including recharging systems)**



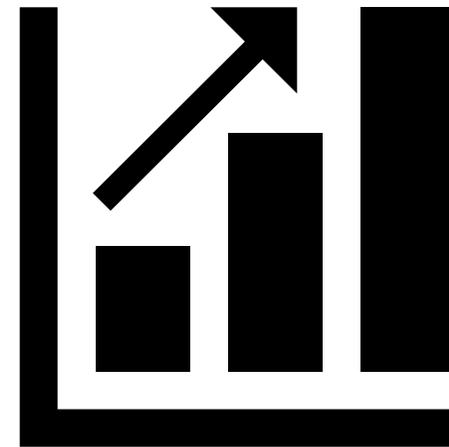
Mass Production of VTOL Vehicles

- Production rates need to be closer to cars than conventional aircraft
 - Manufacturing and assembly methods
 - Supply chain network and ecosystem

Current State of the Art in Aero Supply Chain

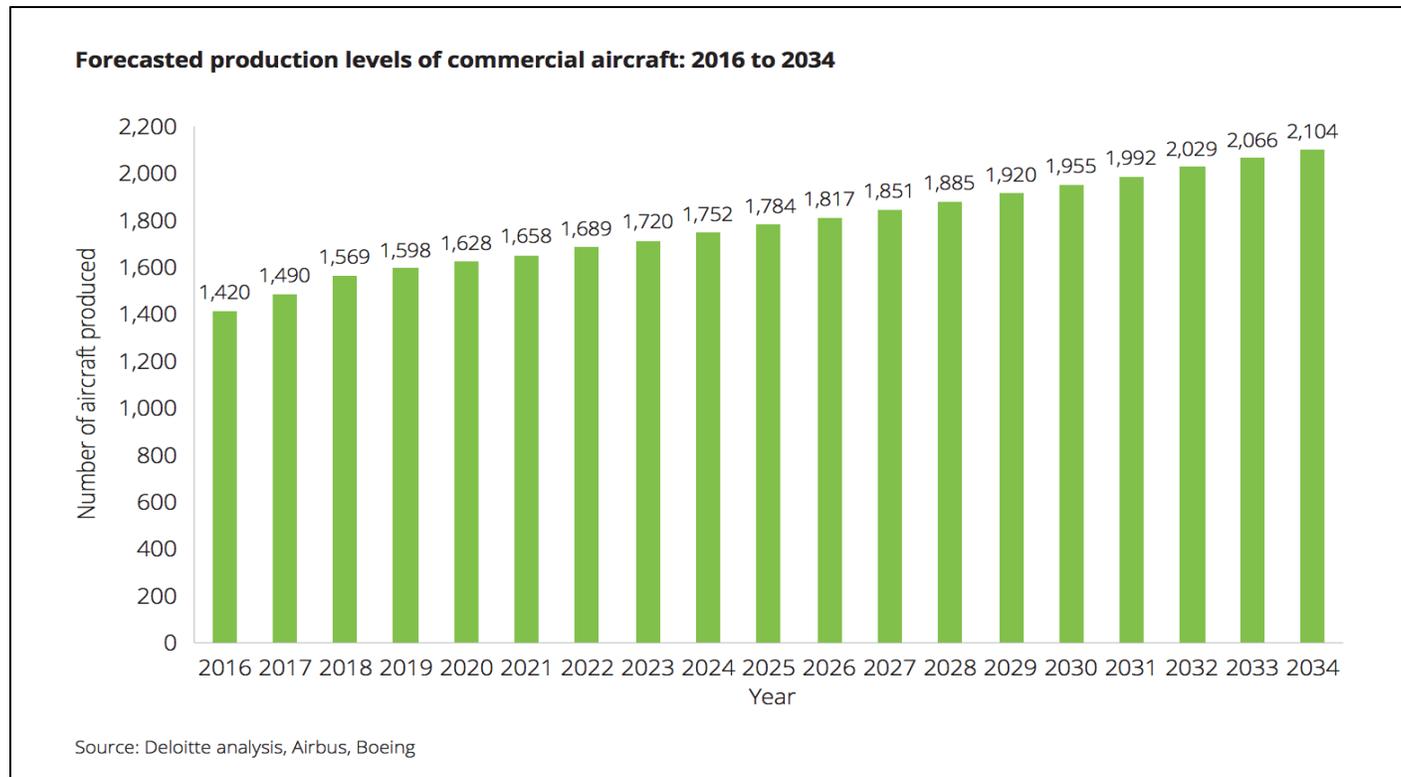
Reference: Airbus' Global Market Forecast, Future Journeys 2013 - 2032

- Air Traffic is expected to **DOUBLE** in the next 15 years
- The number of passengers is predicted to rise from 2.9B in 2012 to 6.7B by 2032
- The passenger fleet will grow by 109% from 2012 – 2032
 - **Rising from 16,093 to 33,651 aircrafts**



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Reference: Oliver Wyman Global Fleet & MRO Forecast Commentary 2019 - 2029

- In 2017, the U.S. accounted for 49% of the global aerospace industry
- The future growth in aviation will be concentrated in Asia and the developing world, **particularly China and India**
 - By 2035, the Civil Aviation Administration of China projects the number of airports in the nation will double
 - By the end of the decade, China will become the biggest global market for air travel and Asia will be the new center of global aviation activity



Current State of the Art in Aero Supply Chain

Reference: McKinsey Quarterly The Growing Role of Emerging Markets in Aerospace

- Due to globalization, the Western companies will capture short-term cost-reduction opportunities
- This provides opportunity to **refocus resources and capabilities on higher-value activities** (specialization of the industry's supply chain)
 - E.g. develop the next clean-propulsion technology or composite assemblies



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