AIRBUS REPORTED 447 COMMERCIAL AIRCRAFT DELIVERIES IN FIRST EIGHT MONTHS



Airbus delivered 47 commercial aircraft to 31 customers in August. This is five planes fewer than in the same month in 2023. In the first eight months of 2024, the total deliveries reached 447 aircraft, five more than the total from January to August last year.

According to the manufacturer's statement, the delivered aircraft include five A220-300 models, 12 A320neo aircraft, 24 A321s, one A330-900 aircraft, four A350-900 family aircraft, and one A350-100.

The manufacturer has fallen short of the 2023 figures in terms of signed orders, with deals closed for 423 commercial planes since January 1 and 46 in the eighth month of the year. This is 825 and 71 aircraft less than last year's figures, respectively. On a different note, the European carrier's A350 model has come into focus this week following a fire on a Cathay Pacific flight. As a result, the European Union's Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) will shortly issue an emergency airworthiness directive to require spot inspections on the engines of this aircraft.

The EU body has confirmed that not all A350 models may require inspections, as stated by an EASA spokeswoman. The Trent XWB-97 engine, manufactured by Rolls-Royce, powers the A350-1000 model.

The company expects to reach 770 commercial aircraft deliveries by the end of the year, exceeding the 735 deliveries made in 2023, assuming no new disruptions to the global economy, air traffic, supply chain, or company operations. Airbus reported a half-year net profit of €825 million, a 46% decrease from the same period in 2023. This decline was attributed to unforeseen expenses of €989 million in the Space division. Airbus' revenues rose to €28.825 billion, up 4% compared to the previous year, primarily because of increased commercial aircraft deliveries and higher volume in Airbus Defense and Space's Air Power business.

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