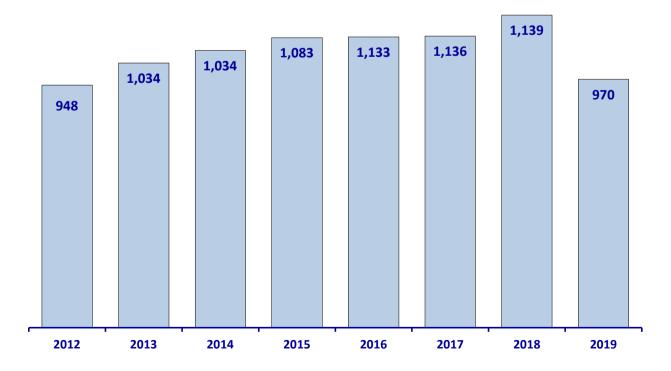
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The big surprise in October was a massive order intake, mostly for Airbus aircraft.

The backlog is still lower than at the start of the year and delivery numbers have dropped to the lowest since 2012.

Jan-October Aircraft Deliveries.



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The backlog is down, orders are down and deliveries are low.

By the end of October the large commercial jet backlog was 382 aircraft lower than at the start of the year, the order intake was the lowest in over 10 years and the number of aircraft deliveries was the lowest since 2012. Normally this might be seen as an industry in poor health but it is not all bad news. The backlog actually improved in October following a surprisingly large number of orders in the month. Delivery numbers are the lowest since 2012 but Airbus is delivering record numbers of single-aisles and widebodies and Boeing has just delivered a record number of widebody freighters.

The Large Commercial Jet Aircraft Backlog: 8

The widebody backlog has dropped again, to a new low.

The large commercial jet aircraft backlog increased by 308 aircraft in October but this was due to a large increase in the number of single-aisles. The widebody backlog had dropped by the end of the month, to 2,030 aircraft, which is a new low. Airbus now has 113 fewer widebodies on backlog than at the start of the year while Boeing has 86 fewer.

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Possibly the largest October order intake in years.

In October, Airbus took orders for 415 aircraft, more than in the previous nine months put together. The total intake of 425 aircraft in October (Boeing took orders for 10) may be the largest intake for the month of October in years. Most of the Airbus orders were for single-aisle aircraft and the European manufacturer has now taken orders for 621 single-aisles, the largest number by the end of October since 2015.

Deliveries of Large Commercial Jets: 24

Airbus continues to set records but total delivery numbers are down.

It seems incredible that grounding the 737 MAX could have such a large impact on delivery numbers. By the end of October a total of 970 large commercial jets had been delivered, the lowest number in the Jan-October period since 2012 and 169 fewer than in the same period last year. Airbus has set new company records for single-aisle and widebody deliveries by the end of October but the total number of single-aisle deliveries this year is back to the 2011 level. There is a new widebody delivery record though.

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Installs are still down but there is a new engine order book high.

By the end of October there were 1,962 new engine installs, some 500 fewer than by the end of October last year. There have been more widebody engine installs than at the same time last year but the single-aisle number is down by nearly 600. On a more positive note for the industry, there was an unusually large October engine order intake which has pushed the number of engines on firm order to a new high.

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