# ALASKA AIR GROUP

**Q4 2024 Earnings** | January 23, 2025



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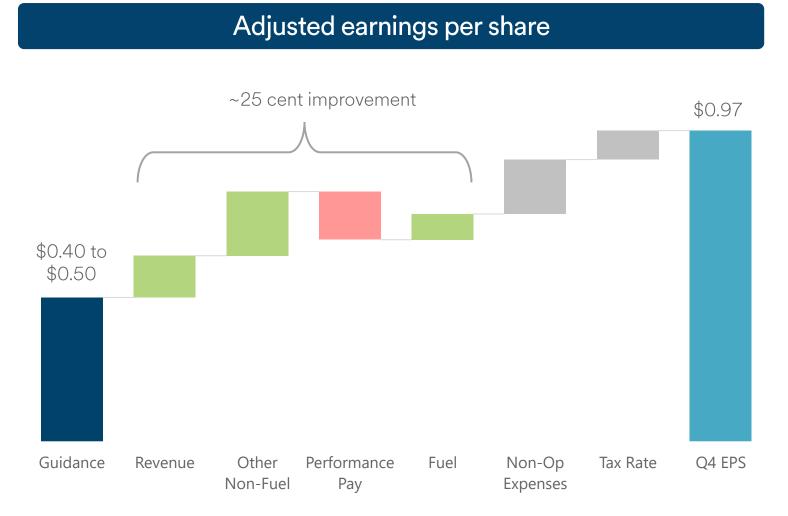
### Non-GAAP Financial Information

The Company has made reference in this presentation to financial metrics which are not in accordance with GAAP. Pursuant to Regulation G, we have provided reconciliations of non-GAAP financial measures to their most directly comparable financial measures reported on a GAAP basis within the Fourth Quarter 2024 Earnings Release filed concurrently with this presentation. Prior year non-GAAP financial metrics have been reconciled in previous SEC filings, and can be referenced therein.

# Earnings Update

- Reported Q4 2024 financials reflect consolidated results, while comparable prior year periods exclude Hawaiian results. Commentary on Q4 performance and forward-looking guidance is compared to pro forma periods as if the acquisition had occurred January 1, 2023. We believe this basis of comparison is relevant for understanding our expected results.
- Air Group's adjusted EPS of \$0.97 and adjusted pretax margin of 3.9% in Q4 2024 exceeded prior guidance, driven by strong revenue, cost, and operational performance through the quarter and holiday travel periods. We also benefitted from a renegotiation of certain interest payments and favorability in our Q4 tax rate. Air Group delivered a FY 2024 adjusted pretax margin of 7.1%, among the best in the industry despite a fleet grounding and acquisition.
- Q4 2024 unit costs improved versus previous guidance on strong cost performance despite higher bonus pay accruals as well as better completion rates driving slightly higher capacity for the quarter. In January, Air Group reached an agreement in concept with Alaska flight attendants which is expected to add approximately 1.5 points of unit cost pressure in 2025.
- Economic fuel cost per gallon averaged \$2.54 for Q4 2024 and \$2.74 for FY 2024, as crude oil and refining margins remained moderate throughout the quarter.
- ☐ Air Group's balance sheet remains strong, with debt-to-cap at 58%, and adjusted net debt to EBITDAR at 2.4x. Over the next ~24 months leverage is expected to return to our long-term target ranges of 40% to 50% and < 1.5x.

# Q4 2024 Adjusted earnings per share

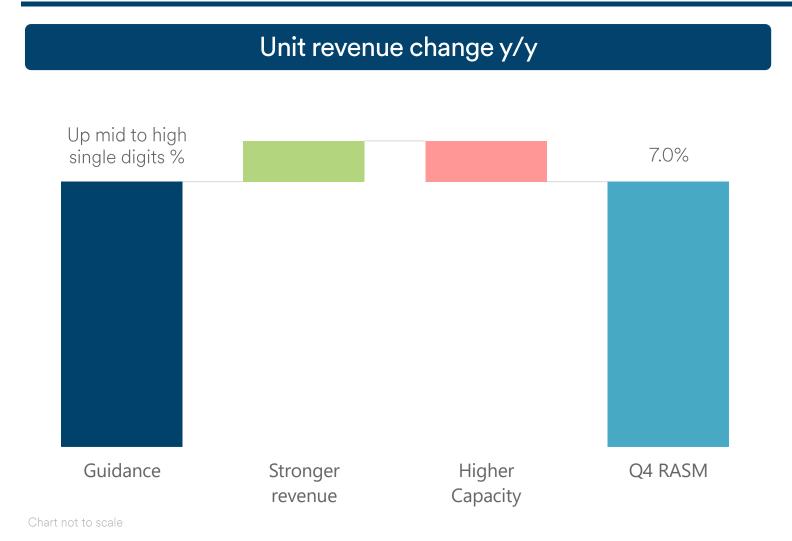


### Notes

- Stronger revenue and non-fuel cost performance, as well as slightly lower fuel, contributed approximately 25 cents of earnings per share compared to previous guidance
- Revenue strength was driven by closein demand, corporate travel and higher load factors. Non-fuel cost improvement during the quarter more than offset higher performance-based pay accruals
- Lower non-op expense reflects the impact of certain renegotiated interest payments in 2024 as well as a true-up of our tax liability for the year

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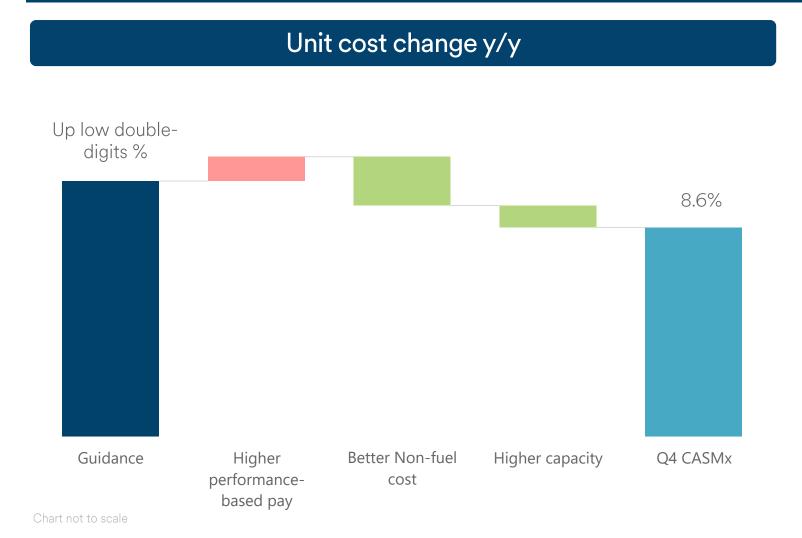
### Q4 2024 Unit Revenue



### Notes

- Total revenue came in higher than prior forecast on an absolute basis on improved performance across both the Alaska and Hawaiian Airlines assets
- Strong demand for premium cabins has continued, with first and premium class revenues up 10% and 11% y/y respectively on 5% capacity growth. Paid first class load factor was 75% for the quarter, up 3 pts with yields up 4%
- Corporate revenue was up 8% y/y in the quarter, with held managed business revenue for future periods up 20% y/y

### Q4 2024 Unit Costs

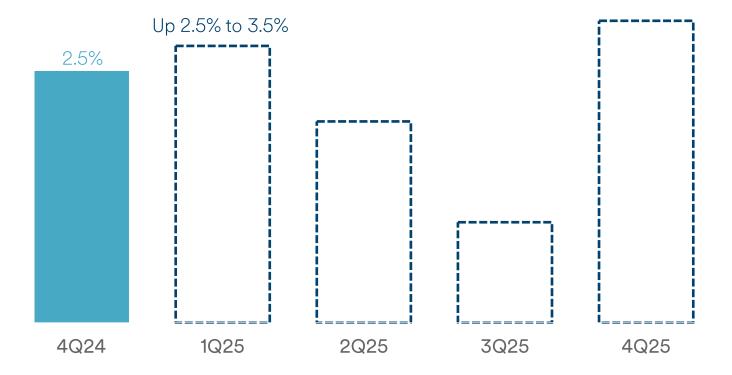


### Notes

- Non-fuel cost performance throughout Q4 was strong, partially offset by ~\$20M in higher performance-based pay accruals during the quarter
- Total performance-based pay contributed approximately 2 points of CASMx pressure during Q4. Normalizing for this impact, CASMx would have been up mid single digits
- Mild winter weather and better-thanexpected completion rates resulted in higher capacity, benefitting CASMx during the quarter

# 2025 Capacity

### Capacity change y/y

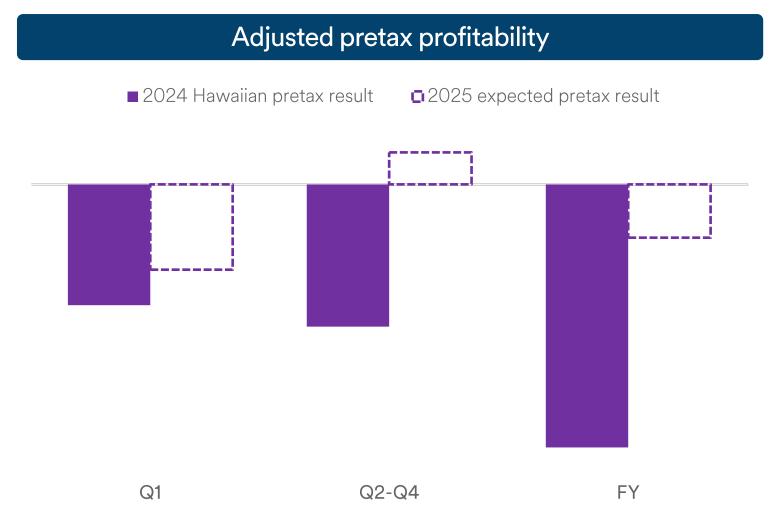


### Notes

- FY 2025 capacity growth is expected to be 2% to 3% which assumes 14 737 and 3 787 deliveries from Boeing
- Q1 comparisons are impacted by the January 2024 fleet grounding which reduced capacity by approximately 4 points. With 6 737 aircraft retirements and aircraft modifications underway, Q1 2024 capacity is expected to be up 2.5% to 3.5% y/y
- Early indications of network connectivity driven by hub banking are encouraging, with connecting passengers via SEA up 20% in February and early PDX results on advanced bookings suggest passengers doubling

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# Hawaiian Airlines Assets Profitability



### Notes

- Q1 losses for Hawaiian Airlines assets are expected to improve y/y from lapping the impacts of the Maui wildfires and GTF engine groundings
- In Q2, synergies begin to ramp in earnest while network and hub banking strategies also begin to take effect
- As evidence of these strategies, Hawaiian Airlines assets are expected to produce a pretax profit the remainder of the year, driving a material y/y improvement for FY 2025
- Huaka'i by Hawaiian, our new loyalty benefits program for Hawai'i residents, is gaining traction. In the two months since launching this program, we have registered over 150k members, and card acquisitions are up 30% in the state of Hawai'i y/y, with accelerating card spend since close.

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# Balance Sheet and Share Repurchases



Target Adj. Net Debt/EBITDAR < 1.5x