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# Key Messages

Alliance Aviation Services Limited announces a half year result which includes:

- Strong revenue growth;
- The largest first half profit result in the Company's history;
- The highest number of flight hours operated in a first half year;
- The introduction of two additional aircraft; and
- A record interim dividend declared.













# Five Revenue Streams

Contract and charter revenue experience substantial growth in the first half.



Contract Revenue





RPT Revenue



Charter Revenue



**Aviation** Services



**Contract Revenue** 

Long-term contract flying

- Growth through increased schedules from existing client base.
- Yield increases.
- Commodity prices are high and production levels have increased which has been reflected in the activity seen in the half year.
- Tourism charters have been operating as per expectations in the first half of the year.

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Wet Lease

Operating Alliance aircraft for other carriers

- Contract wet lease revenue has increased on prior comparative period (pcp).
- Ad-hoc wet lease hours have reduced when compared to pcp. This is due to Alliance having operated for a number of carriers in the first half of FY2019. This was not repeated in 1H FY2020.

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**RPT Revenue** 

Regular public transport services to regional ports

• RPT services performed in line with expectations.

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**Charter Revenue** 

Short-term income from ad-hoc requests

- Charter revenue grew by 130% - a mix of new clients and existing clients.
- An increasing number of multi stop tourism charters occurred in the first half of the year.
- Greater capacity being available due to the increasing fleet.
- Revenue mix changes during the first half.

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**Aviation Services** 

Allied aviation services

- Aviation Services
   continues to provide
   strong margin
   contribution with
   increased sales of high
   value/low cost parts and
   components.
- Aerodrome management and other engineering services also continue to contribute positively.

# FINANCIAL SUMMARY

For the half year ended 31 December 2019





# Financial Statements

Alliance consistently delivers strong operational and financial metrics.

Detail	31 December 2019	31 December 2018
Aircraft in service*	40	38
Flight Hours – contracted	11,240	9,596
Flight Hours – wet lease	4,547	6,683
Flight Hours - RPT	2,634	2,611
Flight Hours - charter	931	507
Flight Hours – maintenance	358	273
Total Flight Hours	19,710	19,670
Average Staff Numbers	593	529
Revenue per employee (\$k)	255	260
Contract % of Total Revenue	63%	59%

<sup>\*</sup> Includes all operational aircraft whether flying or in base maintenance.

# Income Statement

- Contract revenue has increased due to a mixture of yield and activity;
- Contracted wet lease revenue has increased in line with increased activity however ad-hoc wet lease has reduced from the prior comparative period;
- Operating expenses have increased in line with activity;
- Depreciation has increased due to levels of activity and fleet numbers; and
- Income tax expense continues to be recognised in the period but are offset by carried forward tax losses.

(\$ in millions)	1H FY20 Actual	1H FY19 Actual	% PCP Change
Revenue			
Contract revenue	94.8	80.8	17%
Wet lease revenue	17.5	26.6	(34%)
Charter revenue	10.6	4.6	130%
RPT revenue	21.8	21.3	2%
Aviation services	6.0	3.9	53%
Other (Incl. FX)	0.1	0.3	(67%)
Total revenue	150.8	137.5	10%
Operating expenses	(116.6)	(106.4)	(10%)
EBITDA	34.2	31.2	10%
Depreciation and amortisation	(17.3)	(15.6)	(11%)
EBIT	16.9	15.6	8%
Finance costs	(1.4)	(1.5)	7%
PBT	15.5	14.1	10%
Income tax expense	(4.9)	(4.3)	(14%)
NPAT	10.6	9.8	8%
Basic EPS (cents)	8.45	7.93	7%

# **Statement of Financial Position**

- A loan facility of \$18 million was accessed to fund aircraft and spares acquisition and the brought forward maintenance program;
- Cash position increased by 26% at the half year end and payables reduced by 5%;.
- Inventory increased by \$8.3 million due to purchase of aircraft and spares. Focus continues to be on realising inventory value through aviation services and lower operating costs;
- Leases are now recognised as assets and liabilities in accordance with AASB 16. No material impact on Alliance due to fleet ownership model; and
- Gearing continues to be low. Net debt is likely to continue to be below 1x EBITDA.

(\$ in millions)	31 December 20 Actual	30 June 19 Actual	% PCP Change
Cash	12.1	9.6	26%
Receivables	41.2	40.0	3%
Inventory	57.3	49.0	17%
Total current assets	110.6	98.6	12%
PP&E & Intangibles	214.5	202.9	6%
Right of use assets	8.3	-	-
Total non-current assets	222.8	202.9	10%
Total assets	333.5	301.5	11%
Trade & other payables	41.3	43.5	5%
Borrowings	21.2	3.7	(473%)
Lease liabilities	1.8	-	-
Provisions / other	9.2	8.6	(8.%)
Total current liabilities	73.5	55.8	(32%)
Borrowings	54.8	56.4	3%
Deferred tax liability	23.9	19.0	(26%)
Lease liabilities	6.7	-	-
Provisions / other	1.6	1.5	(7%)
Total non-current liabilities	87.0	76.9	(13%)
Total liabilities	160.5	132.7	(21%)
Net assets	173.0	168.9	2%

# **Cash Flow Statement**

- During the half, the company strategically brought forward maintenance checks and commissioned additional fleet units. This has been funded by debt. The cash flow benefits of these initiatives will be seen in future periods;
- Operating cash outflows include payments to suppliers for parts, engines and aircraft (held as inventory) of \$10m, which in not ongoing;
- Debt amortisation steady at \$2.1m for the half year; and
- Record final dividend payment for the final 2019 was paid in November 2019.

(\$ in millions)	31 December 2019 Actual	31 December 2018 Actual
Receipts from customers (inclusive of GST)	159.8	151.0
Payments to suppliers (inclusive of GST)	(144.1)	(127.4)
Net interest paid	(1.1)	(1.3)
Income tax paid	-	-
Net cash inflow from operating activities	14.6	22.3
Net payments for aircraft, property, plant & equipment	(19.8)	(10.8)
Free cash flow	(5.2)	11.5
Principal elements of lease payments	(0.9)	(0.9)
Proceeds from borrowings	18.0	-
Repayment of borrowings	(2.1)	(3.6)
Dividends paid	(7.3)	(5.8)
Net cash outflow from financing activities	7.7	(10.3)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	2.5	1.2
Effects of currency translation on cash and cash equivalents	0.0	0.1
Cash & cash equivalents at the beginning of period	9.6	11.8
Cash & cash equivalents at the end of period	12.1	13.1

# Capital Expenditure

- Capital expenditure for the second half will be materially lower than the first half;
- Growth capital expenditure includes the cost of entry into service checks of four aircraft; two are in service and two are due to enter service in February 2020; and
- Base maintenance checks accelerated for existing fleet to ensure the fleet is available for future growth.

(\$ in millions)	1H FY2020 Actual	2H FY2020 Forecast	FY2020 Forecast
Existing fleet maintenance			
Cash outflows			
Base maintenance providers	5.9	3.0	8.9
Engine care program	8.9	6.9	15.8
Other miscellaneous	0.5	0.5	1.0
Operating costs capitalised	1.5	1.0	2.5
Total cash outflows	16.8	11.4	28.2
Non-cash			
Parts from inventory used in base maintenance	4.6	1.5	6.1
Total existing fleet maintenance	21.4	12.9	34.3
Growth capital expenditure			
Cash outflows			
Entry into service maintenance providers	4.5	0.5	5.0
Operating costs capitalised	1.6	0.1	1.7
Total cash outflows	6.1	0.6	6.7
Non-cash			
Parts from inventory used in base maintenance	0.5	0.8	1.3
Total growth capital expenditure	6.6	1.4	8.0
Total capital expenditure 1	28.0	14.3	42.3

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<sup>1 –</sup> Equates to movement in PP&E plus depreciation (adjusted for Right of Use Depreciation)



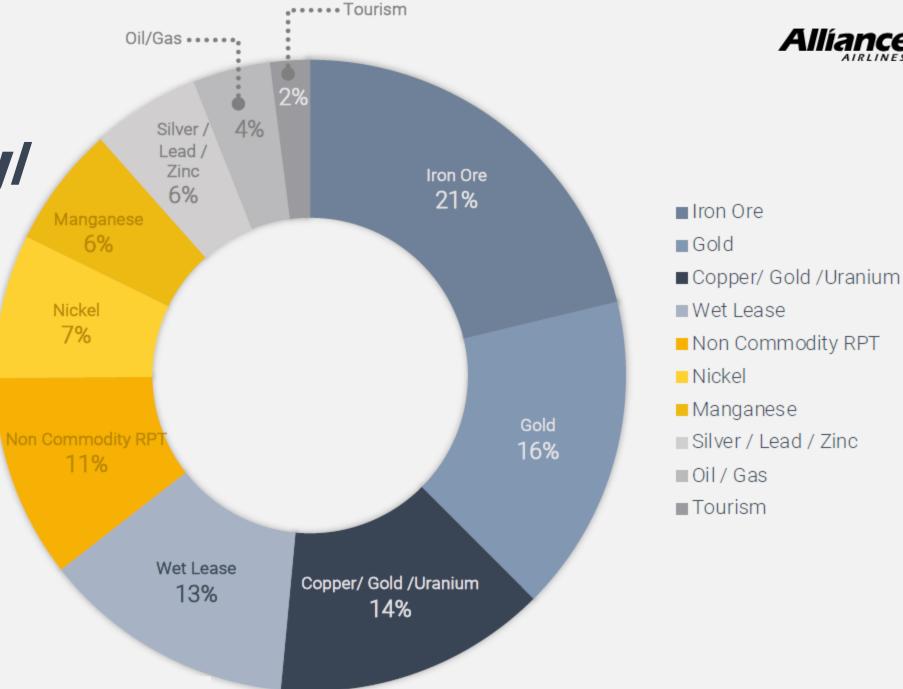
## **Stable Contract Client Base**





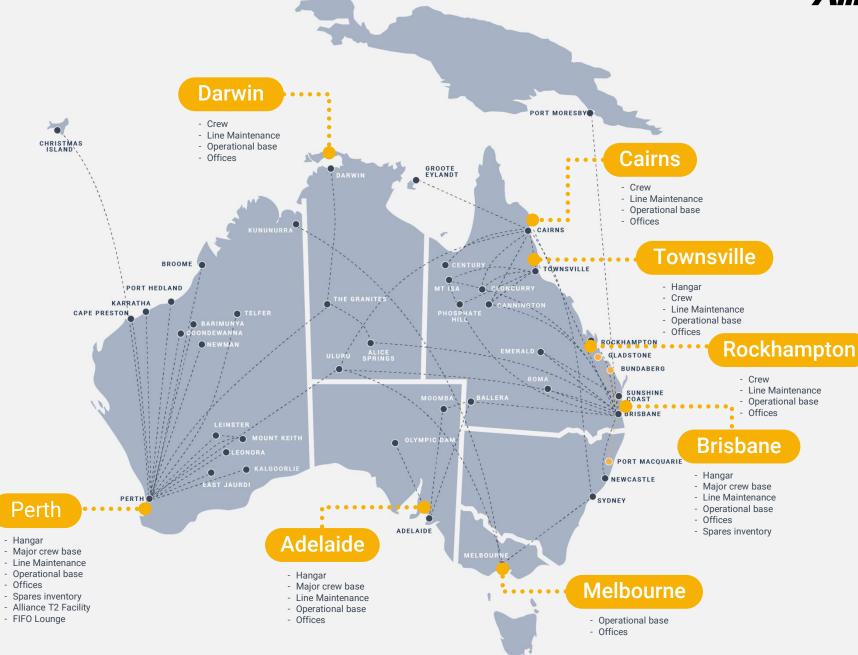
Commodity/ Sector **Exposure** 

Forecast major commodity/sector exposure by the top 15 contracts.





# **Footprint**





## Forecast Fleet - June 2020



F100 – 100 Seat Jet Aircraft No. in fleet - 24



F70 - 80 Seat Jet Aircraft No. in fleet - 13



F50 - 50 Seat Turbo-Prop Aircraft No. in fleet - 5

## **Safety Certifications**





# Renewing IOSA certification in FY20



# BARS Gold standard maintained

# **Operational Excellence**

95%;

## **Alliance Airlines**

consistently achieved 95% on time performance throughout the first half of FY2020



## **Outlook**

**Alliance** retains a positive outlook for the 2020 financial year based on a strong first half and opportunities for growth and improvements in the second half.

 Contract revenue is expected to increase as existing mining and resource sector clients continue to request additional capacity for their expanding workforce.

Contracted inbound tourism operations may be affected by the softening of visitor numbers into Australia and this is being monitored by Alliance.

 The charter sector has shown signs of growth in the first half and this is expected to be stable in the second half.

The new Melbourne to Kununurra seasonal service commences in May 2020.

 Contracted wet lease hours are expected to be stable in the second half of the financial year.
Opportunities continue to exist for ad-hoc wet lease flights however timing is unknown.  Aviation services will continue to contribute high margin sources of revenue to Alliance.

There continues to be more opportunities in the sale of parts and components, other engineering services and aerodrome management that would add value to Alliance.

- Free cash flow will be strong in the second half of FY2020 due to the cessation of aircraft and spares acquisitions and low expenditure being incurred on base maintenance and entry into service maintenance checks.
- The focus of the Board of Alliance continues to be on providing the maximum return to shareholders of the Group.



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