

# FAA Codeshare Safety Program

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- **OST is responsible for issuing a “Statement of Authority” to US carriers engaged in code-sharing with a foreign carrier**
- **FAA supports the OST process through safety analysis of the codesharing arrangement**

# Codeshare Application Process

- **U.S. or foreign air carrier applies for “Statement of Authority” to the OST**
- **DOT requests the FAA’s recommendation regarding the codeshare service proposed**

# Codeshare Application Process

- **Ensure the U.S. air carrier has an accepted OST/FAA Codeshare Audit Program**
- **Individually accepted audit program**
- **IATA Program: International Operational Safety Audit (IOSA)**
- **Review the FAA's IASA Category for the foreign air carrier's state CAA**
- **International Aviation Safety Assessment Program (IASA)**
- **Categories**
- **Review the U.S. air carrier's Audit Report of the proposed foreign codeshare partner**

# Codeshare Application Process (Cont'd)

- Review ramp inspection data
- FAA International Field Offices (4) NY, SFO, DAL, MIA and (1) IFU (ANC)
- New FAR 129 Ramp Inspection Program
- Review “Heighten Surveillance List”
- Review other information as necessary such as financial information, strikes, changes in airline or CAA management etc.
- Annual Foreign Carrier and CAA Review for IASA purposes

# Final Steps

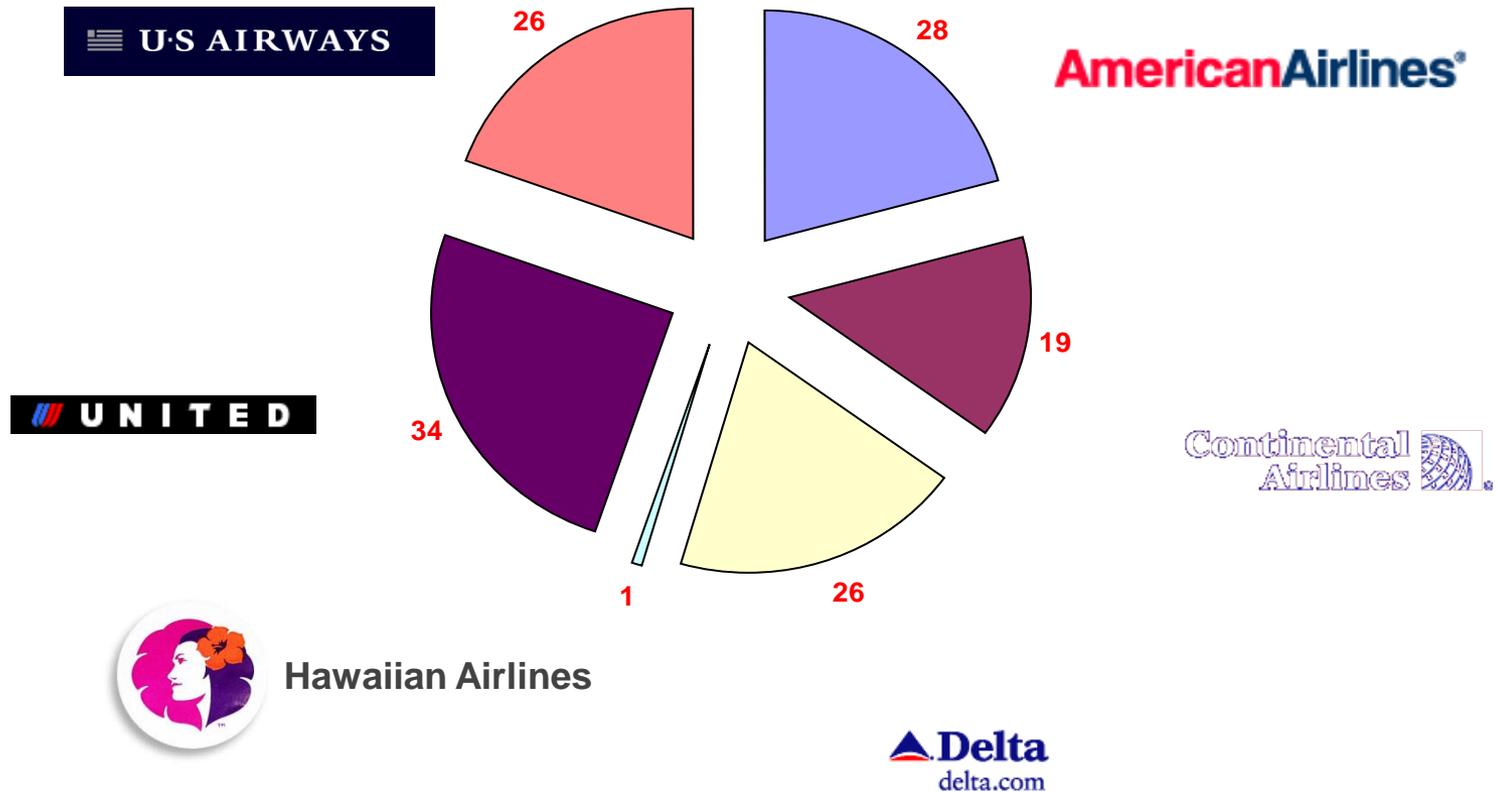
- **After AFS-50 completes the review a letter is sent by the Director of Flight Standards...**
  - to OST regarding any safety concerns with the codeshare service proposed or;
  - to OST of “no technical objection”
- **When all requirements are met, OST issues the “Statement of Authority” to begin codesharing operations**

# Statistics for April 09 – April 10

- A total of **134** active codeshare agreements currently existed among **6** U.S. carriers
- Codeshare agreements involve carriers from **53** countries
- AFS-50 reviewed a total of **73** Codeshare Audit reports this fiscal year

# Active Codeshare Agreements

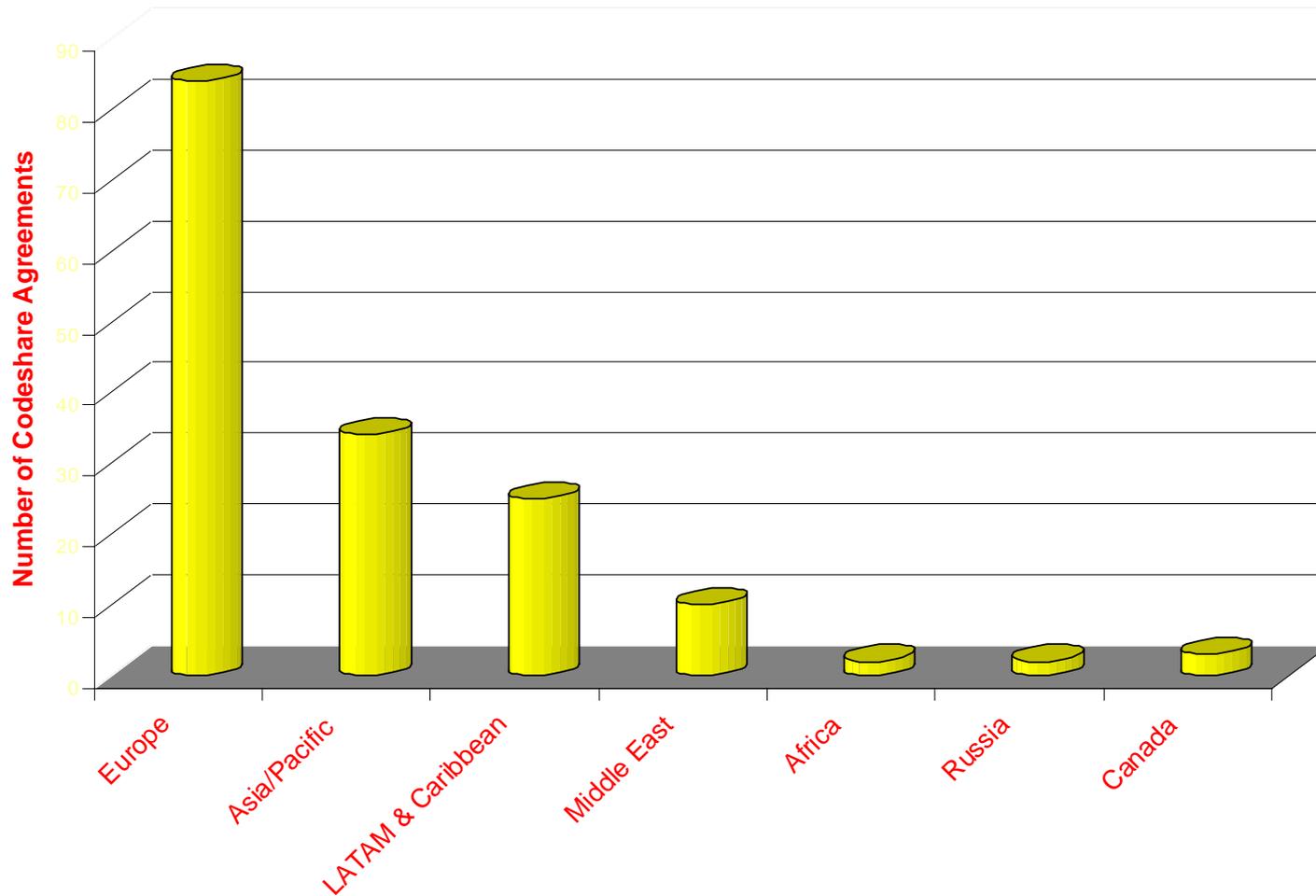
Sept 09 – Sept 10



# Estimated Direct Value to Airlines / Share of US GDP

- **Closely guarded proprietary information**
- **Conservative estimate: dollar value of the code-share program at \$3 Billion annually.**

# Agreements per World Region



# Summary

- **FAA assures the level of safety in code sharing operations by:**
  - US Air Carrier: Direct oversight of each individual carrier through certification and surveillance
  - Foreign Air Carrier:
    - Through validation of the foreign state CAA by the IASA process, and,
    - The US carrier audit of the foreign code share partner's compliance with the foreign CAA's requirements through the IOSA process

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## Thank You

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