

### Downdraft or Game Change?

Colorado Airport Operators Association
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# Agenda

- Current Airline Situation
- Market Trends Impacting Airports
  - Commercial Service
  - General Aviation
- What will the Recovery Look Like?
- Airport Responses



### **AIRLINE SITUATION**

# Good Old Days



Pan American Martin Clipper flying boat

The 1930s transoceanic service offered the height of luxury — but at prices that would equal \$10,000 a ticket in today's dollars.



# Flying Today Just Isn't the Same



A380 First Commercial Flight

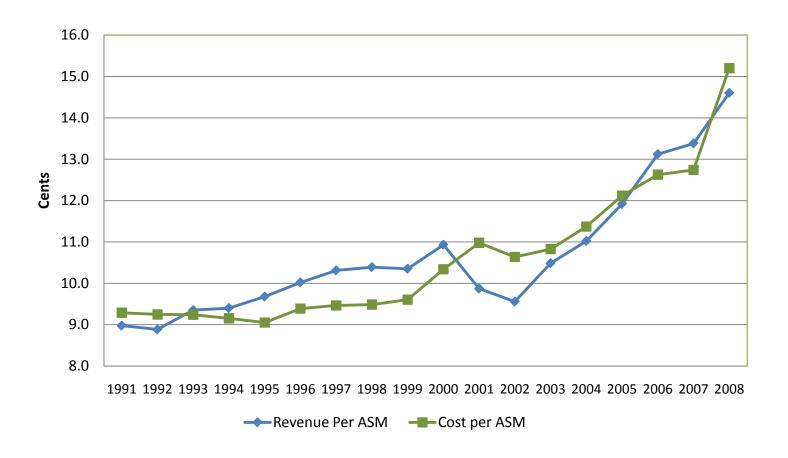
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# Or is It?



Two Air Service Markets: Luxury and Commodity

### Hard for the Airlines to Make Money



# List of Bankrupt Carriers is Long

May-79 New York Airways Nov-79 Aeroamerica Jan-80 Florida Airlines Mar-80 Indiana Airlines Dec-80 Air Bahia **Dec-80 Tejas Airlines** Mar-81 Mountain West Mar-81 LANICA Jul-81 Coral Air Sep-81 Pacific Coast Sep-81 Swift Air Line Oct-81 Golden Gate Jan-82 Pinehurst Airlines Mar-82 Silver State Airlines Mar-82 Air Pennsylvania Apr-82 Air South **Apr-82 Cochise Airlines** May-82 Braniff International Jul-82 Astec Air East Aug-82 Will's Air Oct-82 Aero Sun International Oct-82 Aero Virgin Islands Nov-82 Altair Dec-82 North American Feb-83 Inland Empire Feb-83 State Airlines Apr-83 Golden West Sep-83 Continental Airlines **Dec-83 National Florida** Jan-84 Air Vermont Feb-84 Pacific Express Feb-84 Dolphin **Apr-84 Combs Airways** Jul-84 Air Florida Jul-84 Excellair Jul-84 American International Aug-84 Emerald Aug-84 Hammonds Commuter Sep-84 Air North Sep-84 Wright Air Lines Oct-84 Oceanaire Lines Oct-84 Atlantic Gulf Oct-84 Connectaire Oct-84 Air One Nov-84 Capitol Air Nov-84 Wien Air Alaska Jan-85 Northeastern International

Jan-85 Pompano Airways Feb-85 Far West Airlines Mar-85 American Central Mar-85 Provincetown Boston Mar-85 Sun West Airlines May-85 Wise Airlines Aug-85 Cascade Airways Oct-85 Wheeler Airlines Dec-85 Pride Air Jan-86 Southern Express Jan-86 Imperial Airlines Feb-86 Arrow Airways Apr-86 Sea Airmotive Aug-86 Trans Air **Aug-86 Frontier Airlines** Feb-87 Chicago Airlines Feb-87 McClain Airlines Feb-87 Rio Airways Mar-87 Air Puerto Rico Mar-87 Gull Air Mar-87 Royal West Airlines Apr-87 Air Atlanta Jun-87 Air South Sep-87 Royale Airlines Jan-88 Sun Coast Airlines Jan-88 Air New Orleans Jan-88 Air Virginia Jan-88 Mid Pacific Airlines Mar-88 Exec Express May-88 Caribbean Express May-88 Pocono Airlines Jun-88 Virgin Island Seaplane Aug-88 Princeton Air Link Sep-88 Qwest Air Sep-88 Southern Jersey Airways Mar-89 Eastern Air Lines Mar-89 Big Sky Airlines Jul-89 Air Kentucky Sep-89 Braniff International Oct-89 Presidential Airways **Nov-89 Resorts International** Nov-89 Resort Commuter Jan-90 Pocono Airlines May-90 SMB Stage Lines

Jul-90 CCAir

**Dec-90 Continental Airlines** 

Dec-90 Britt Airways

Dec-90 Rocky Mountain Airways Jan-91 Pan Am World Airways Jan-91 Pan Am Express Jan-91 L'Express Jan-91 Eastern Air Lines Jan-91 Bar Harbor Airlines Jan-91 Virgin Island Seaplane Jan-91 Northcoast Executive Mar-91 Midway Airlines Mar-91 Grand Airways **Apr-91 Metro Airlines** May-91 Jet Express **May-91 Metro Airlines Northeast** Jun-91 America West Airlines Aug-91 Mohawk Airlines Nov-91 Midway Airlines **Dec-91 Flagship Express** Jan-92 Trans World Airlines Feb-92 L'Express Jun-92 Markair Jun-92 Hermans/Markair Express **Dec-92 States West Airlines** Sep-93 Evergreen International Aviation Sep-93 Hawaiian Airlines May-93 Key Airlines **Mar-94 Resorts International** Oct-94 Florida West Airlines Feb-95 Crescent Airways Apr-95 Markair Jun-95 Trans World Airlines **Dec-95 The Krystal Company** Nov-95 Grand Airways Jan-96 GP Express Jan-96 Business Express Jan-96 Conquest Airlines Sep-96 Kiwi International Airlines Jul-97 Mahalo Aug-97 Air South Oct-97 Western Pacific Airlines Nov-97 Mountain Air Express Feb-98 Pan American World Airways Jul-98 Euram Flight Centre Mar-99 Kiwi International Airlines Jun-99 Sunjet Int'l/Myrtle Beach Jet Express

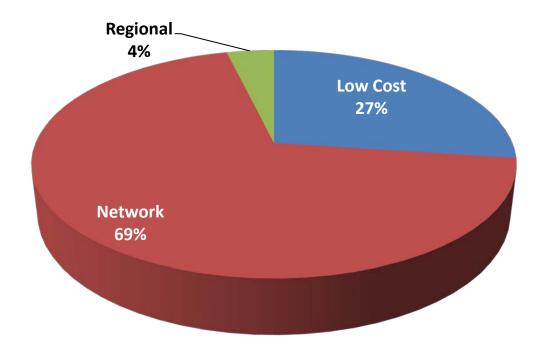
Sep-99 Eastwind Airlines

Nov-99 Access Air

Feb-00 Tower Air

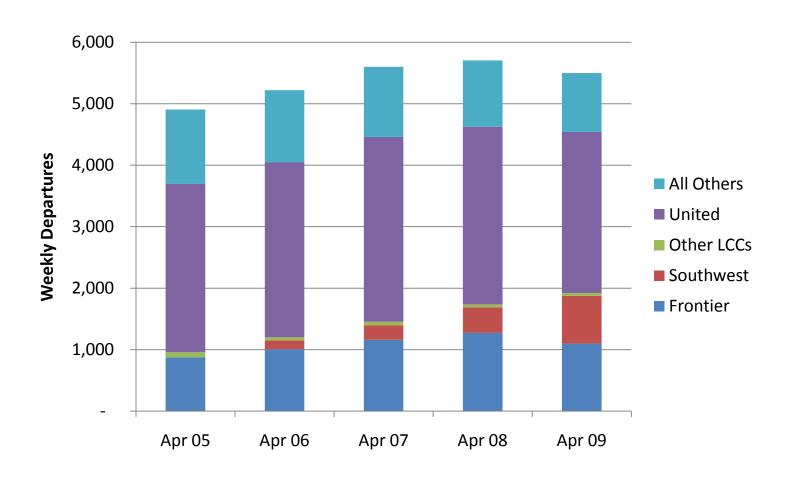
May-00 Kitty Hawk Sep-00 Pro Air Sep-00 Fine Air Services **Dec-00 Legend Airlines Dec-00 National Airlines** Dec-00 Allegiant Air Jan-01 Trans World Airlines **Aug-01 Midway Airlines** Jan-02 Sun Country Airlines Jul-02 Vanguard Airlines Aug-02 US Airways **Dec-02 United Airlines** Mar-03 Hawaiian Airlines Oct-03 Midway Airlines Jan-04 Great Plains Airlines Jan-04 Atlas Air/Polar Air Cargo Sep-04 US Airways Oct-04 ATA Airlines Dec-04 Southeast Airlines Dec-04 Aloha Airlines Sep-05 Delta Air Lines Sep-05 Comair Sep-05 Northwest Airlines Sep-05 TransMeridian Airlines Oct-05 Mesaba Airlines Nov-05 Atlantic Coast Airlines Dec-05 Era Aviation Jan-06 Independence Air Feb-06 Florida Coastal Airlines Oct-07 Kitty Hawk Aircargo **Dec-07 MAXjet Airways** Jan-08 Big Sky Mar-08 Champion Air Mar-08 Aloha Airlines Apr-08 ATA Airlines Apr-08 Skybus Airlines Apr-08 Frontier Airlines Apr-08 Eos Airlines May-08 Air Midwest Jun-08 Gemini Air Cargo Jul-08 Vintage Props & Jets Aug-08 Gemini Air Cargo Oct-08 Sun Country **Oct-08 Primaris Airlines** 

### Low Cost Carriers are Price Setters



Top 10 Airlines, ranked by January-December 2008 Scheduled Domestic and International Enplanements

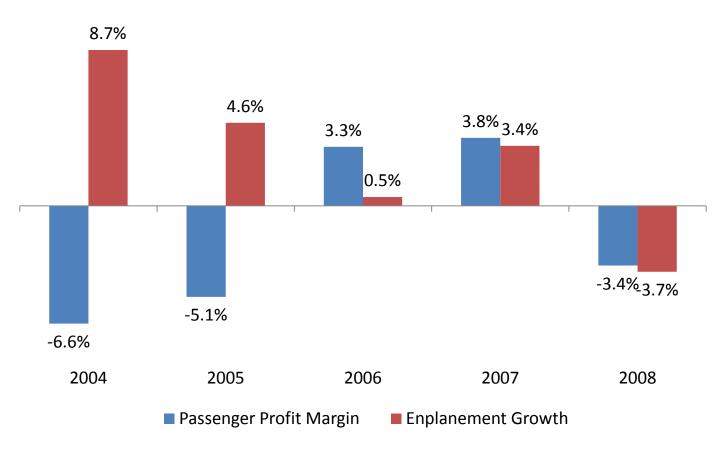
### LCCs 30% of Denver





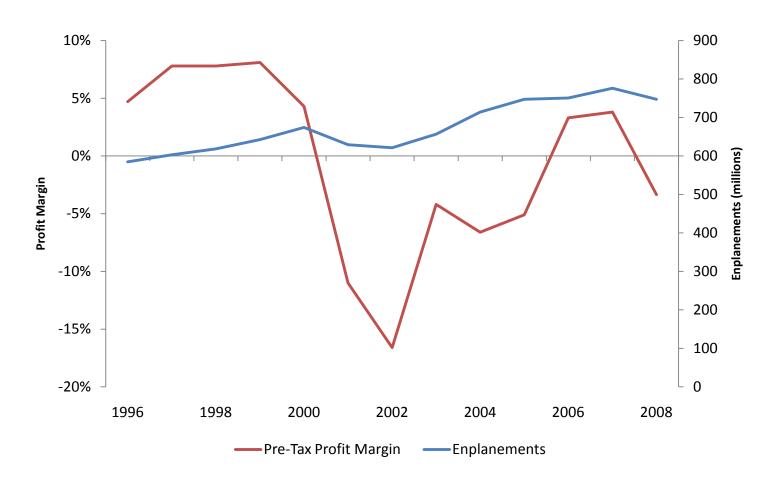
TRENDS – COMMERCIAL SERVICE

# Good Years for Airports & Airlines Do Not Always Coincide

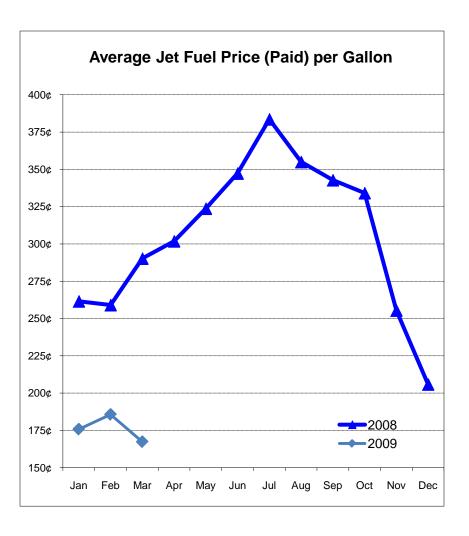


Adapted from Oliver Wyman, inc.

### Enplanements Steady/Airline Profits Volatile



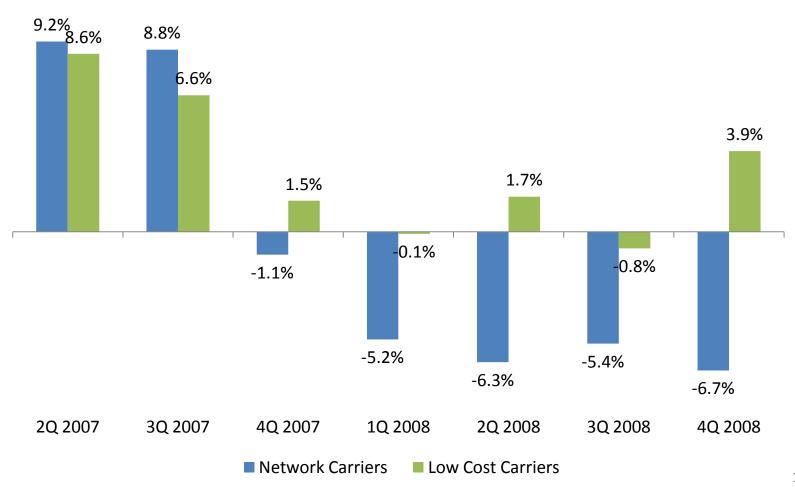
# Troubles Began with Fuel



- Airlines cut capacity
- Focus on higher fare passengers
- Hardest Hit
  - Small Markets
  - Leisure Markets
  - Secondary hubs
  - Smaller Point-to-Point
  - Northeast and Midwest

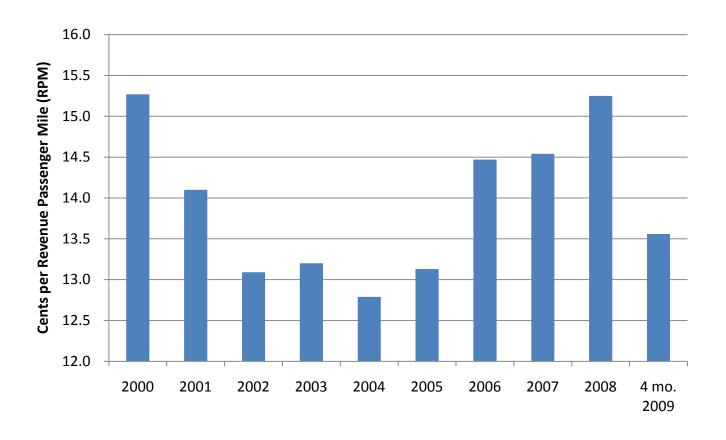
### Airline Profits Went South 4Q 2007





### Higher Yields Have Not Held

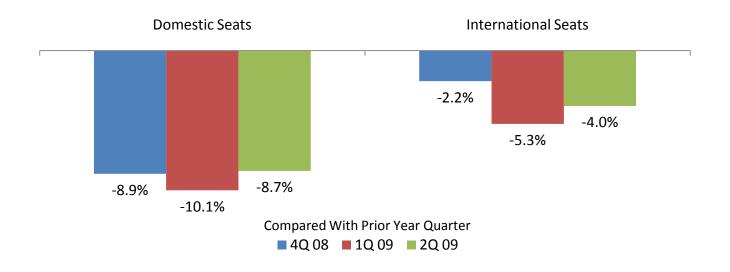
#### **Domestic Yields**



Weakness in business and premium demand

# Airlines Continue to Slash Capacity

- Removed 800 aircraft from active fleet.
- Reduced seats, 9% 22 million seats!
- Big shift from aircraft with <=50 seats to 51 to 99 seat aircraft.





"Of course, you get two bags of peanuts."

# Extra Charges Have Remained.

A New Untaxed
Revenue Source.

Extra Charge	Fee
Reservation by Phone	\$10-\$35
1st Checked Bag Fee	\$10-\$25
2nd Checked Bag Fee	\$25-\$50
Overweight Bag Fee	\$29-\$150
Extra Leg Room	\$5-\$109
Meal	\$3-\$11
Alcohol	\$1-\$7
Travel with Pets Source: Data provided by farecompare.com	\$25-\$359
Unaccompanied Minors	\$75-\$100
Non-Refundable Ticket Change Fee	\$20-\$150



TRENDS - GENERAL AVIATION

# General Aviation Current Weakness/Structural Changes

#### **Recession/High Fuel**

- Lower fuel sales
- Operations falling
- Bad rap on business flying
- VLJs off to a slow start
- On-demand services haven't worked yet

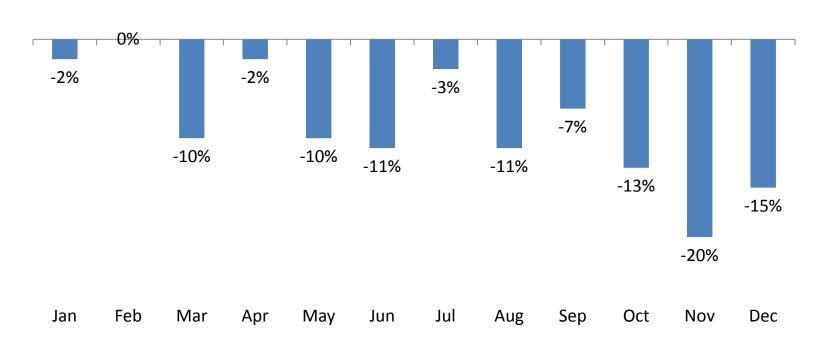


#### **Structural Changes**

- Is the next generation flying?
- Aging fleet/fewer hours flown
- Aging pilots
- Students decreased by 4%
- Regulatory Changes
  - User Fees
  - Security Requirements

### Changes in GA Operations Year-Over-Year 2007-2008

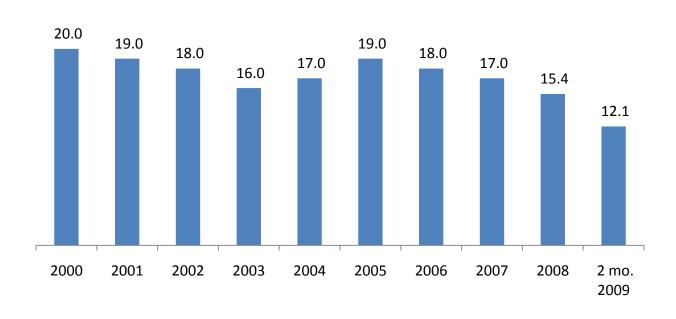
#### **Tower Activity**



Source: FAA

### AvGas Average Monthly U.S. Demand

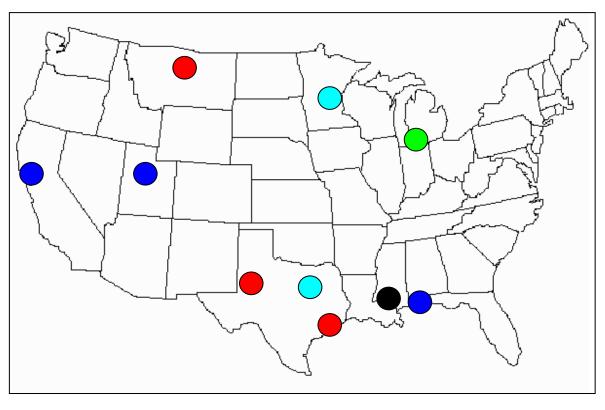
#### Thousand Barrels per Day



Market is small. 7-8 truckloads per day. One truckload of avgas = 200 barrels. Rocky Mountain Region (MT, UT, WY, CO, ID) = 300-400 barrels per day.

Source : Petroleum Product Marketing and Consulting

# Only 10 AvGas Producers



BP

Chevron

Exxon

Phillips 66

Merchant Refiner

### Colorado Fuel Trends

Gross Gallons - 8 months Year-to-Date (Jul-Feb)

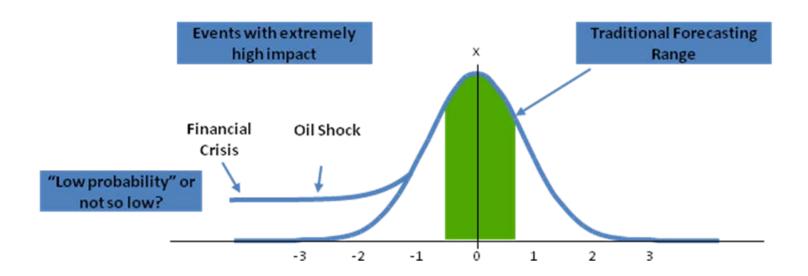
	FY07-08	FY08-09	% Change
AvGas	3,403,596	3,325,567	-2%
Jet Fuel	189,280,423	146,324,192	-23%

Source: Colorado Department of Revenue



WHAT WILL THE RECOVERY LOOK LIKE?

# A World of Higher Risk

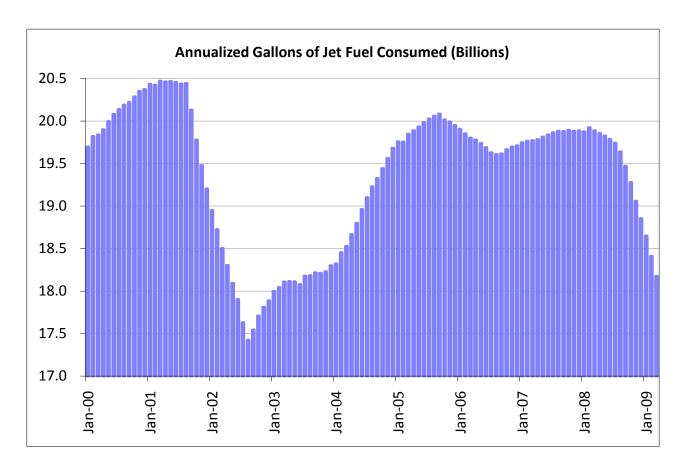


Forecasts Just Got a Lot More Complicated

- Event-based
- Scenario modeling
- Sensitivity analysis
- Assessing and prioritizing risks
- Developing mitigation strategies

Source: Adapted from Oliver Wyman, Inc.

# Airlines Reluctant to Assume Lower Fuel Prices are Here to Stay



Source: Air Transport Association

## When Economy Stabilizes

- Airlines will prefer to maintain low capacity
- Grounded aircraft are not returning
- New aircraft orders mostly replacements
- Employment will come back slowly
- Total cost to fly will increase (FARES + FEES)
- Business aviation the main growth story for GA airports...record aircraft available, stuck until credit eases, corporate profits improve.



AIRPORT RESPONSES

## **Airport Strategies**

- Delay or cancel capital projects
- Hiring or pay freeze
- Staff layoffs
- Reductions in training, travel, & overtime
- Increases in airline fees and non-airline rents
- Increases in parking fees & car rental surcharges
- FOCUS ON PREMIUM PASSENGERS
- DIVERSIFY AIRPORT REVENUES

## Airport Revenue Sources

Traditional Airport Operations

Retail and Customer Service

Diversified Activities

Then......Now

### Revenue Diversification

- Renewable energy
  - solar, geothermal, wind, biofuels
- Mineral development
- Low impact complements
  - entertainment, utilities, test farms, rights of way, advertising, etc.
- Temporary uses
- Airport support services
- Recruitment of other airport tenants

# Revenue/Expense Sharing

- Joint use agreements and partnerships
  - ATC
  - ARFF
  - Utilities development and roads
  - Security
  - Land acquisitions and exchanges
  - Property management

What is your airport doing?

#### Questions, Conversations, Comments?



# NAVIGATING THE NEW ECONOMY WITH FRESH IDEAS

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