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## **JetBlue Background**

- Founded in 1999 by David Neeleman
- 1999: \$4 billion order for 75 A320 aircraft
- 2000: One-millionth customer and first \$100 million
- 2001: Expand services and launches
- 2002: Announces IPO

## Advantages/Disadvantages

- Advantages
  - financial gain in raising the company's capital
  - more funding for research, debt, etc.
  - increase public awareness of the company
- Disadvantages
  - possible decision errors due to unsound analysis
  - heavily regulated
  - cost associated with complying to regulations
  - switch from long-term focus to short-term

#### **IPO Process**

- usually takes about 3 months
- prerequisites to fulfill before equity-issuance process
- hold meeting to map & agree upon process
- "quiet period"
- SEC reviews registration statement
- surveying potential investors
- negotiation of final offering price

### **Cost of Debt**

Issue	Weight of Bonds	Yield to Maturity	Weight * Yield	
8.75 Note	25.00% 5.65%		1.41%	
8.00 Note	25.00%	5.91%	1.48% 1.85%	
7.875 Debenture	25.00%	7.41%		
7.375 Debenture	25.00%	8.68%	2.17%	
Weighted Yield to Maturity			6.91%	

Tax Rate	Cost of Debt	After tax rd
38.50%	6.91%	4.25%

### **Cost of Equity: CAPM**

Risk Free Rate	5.00%	
Beta	1.1	
Market Risk Premium	5.00%	
Cost of equity using CAPM	10.50%	

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• CAPM =  $r_f + \beta(r_{rp})$  = 5.00%+1.1(5.00%)=10.50%

# The Casesolutions.com Weights of Debt and Equity

Total Debt	\$ 1,842.00	Wd	10.28%
Total Equity	\$ 16,071.99	We	89.72%
Total Financing	\$ 17,913.99	0,	

\$1,842/\$17,913.99= 10.28% 1-.1028 = 89.72%