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[Mark Powers](#), professor of practice in finance and former CFO of JetBlue and Etihad Airways, was interviewed by [Bloomberg](#) about how airlines are managing the impact of the coronavirus.

Mark Powers, a Tulane University business professor and former chief financial officer at JetBlue and Etihad Airways PJSC, said the airline industry learned some hard lessons in the years after the Great Recession — and acted accordingly. “The industry decided that the bad balance sheet model doesn’t work,” he said. “Today you’re just talking about [earnings] impact.”

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