#### SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D. C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the

Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of earliest event reported: January 15, 1997

AMR CORPORATION (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 1-8400 75-1825172 (State of Incorporation) (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

4333AmonCarterBlvd.Fort Worth, Texas76155(Address of principal executive offices)(Zip Code)

(817) 963-1234 (Registrant's telephone number)

# Item 5. Other Events

AMR Corporation (the "Company") is filing herewith a press release issued today by the Company as Exhibit 99.1 which is incorporated herein by reference.

### Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits

The following exhibit is included herein:

99.1 Press Release

## SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

AMR CORPORATION

/s/ Charles D. MarLett Charles D. MarLett Corporate Secretary

Dated: January 15, 1997

Exhibit Description

99.1 Press Release

AMR Reports Fourth Quarter Earnings of \$122 Million Before Special Items

FOR RELEASE: Wednesday, Jan. 15, 1997

FORT WORTH, Texas -- AMR Corporation, parent company of American Airlines, Inc., today reported that fourth quarter net earnings, excluding certain special items, were \$122 million (\$1.33 per common share). In the fourth quarter of 1995, the company reported earnings, before special charges, of \$90 million (\$1.15 per common share).

"We had quite a successful fourth quarter," said Robert L. Crandall, AMR's Chairman and Chief Executive, "which rounded out a very satisfactory year."

After accounting for the special items, AMR reported net earnings of \$284 million (\$3.08 per common share) for the quarter, as compared to a \$282 million net loss (\$3.69 per common share) in 1995.

1996 Fourth Quarter Results

(in millions, except per share amounts) (r	Amount net of tax)	Earnings per share
Net earnings before special items Gain on initial public offering of	\$122	\$1.33
The SABRE Group	497	5.40
Canadian Airlines charges	(230)	(2.50)
Extraordinary loss from early debt		
retirement	(89)	(0.97)
Writedown of aircraft interiors	(16)	(0.18)
Net earnings as reported	\$284	\$3.08

In the fourth quarter, the company recorded a \$497 million gain on the initial public offering of The SABRE Group. Partially offsetting that gain was a \$251 million charge (\$230 million after tax) associated with the write down of AMR's investment in, and start-up costs associated with, the company's relationship with Canadian Airlines. The company also incurred an \$89 million extraordinary loss, after tax, on the repurchase of \$624 million of unsecured debt. AMR also recorded a \$26 million charge (\$16 million after tax) to write down the value of aircraft interiors the company plans to refurbish.

AMR's fourth quarter results brought the company's full year 1996 net earnings, excluding the special items, to \$854 million, or \$9.77 per common share (\$9.43 fully diluted), which compares favorably to the company's 1995 net earnings before special charges of \$551 million, or \$7.12 per common share (\$6.56 fully diluted). Including the special items, the company reported 1996 net earnings of \$1.0 billion, or \$11.63 per common share (\$11.19 fully diluted). This compares with 1995 net earnings after special charges of \$162 million, or \$2.11 per common share.

Crandall described 1996 as "a year in which we reaped the benefits of a favorable business environment as well as the many changes we have made over the last several years throughout the American Airlines system. Moreover, with the initial public offering of The SABRE Group and the announcement of our alliance with British Airways, we laid the foundation for further progress in the years to come."

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#### 7 AMR CORPORATION CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

(Unaudited) (In millions, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended		
	Decemb 1996	er 31, 1995	Percent Change
Revenues Airline Group			
Passenger - American Airlines - AMR Eagle Cargo	\$3,315 249 181	\$3,232 252 174	2.6 (1.2) 4.0
Other	222 3,967	191 3,849	16.2 3.1
The SABRE Group Management Services Group Less: Intergroup revenues Total operating revenues	376 154 (164) 4,333	368 145 (174) 4,188	2.2 6.2 (5.7) 3.5
Expenses Wages, salaries and benefits	1,513	1,445	4.7
Aircraft fuel Commissions to agents	531 293	430 312	23.5 (6.1)
Depreciation and amortization Other rentals and landing fees Aircraft rentals	305 227 144	312 217 167	(2.2) 4.6 (13.8)
Food service Maintenance materials and repairs	166	175 163	(5.1)
Other operating expenses Writedown of aircraft interiors	683 26	674 -	1.3 *
Restructuring costs Total operating expenses Operating Income (Loss)	- 4,069 264	533 4,428 (240)	(100.0) (8.1) *
Other Income (Expense) Interest income	32	21	52.4
Interest expense Gain on sale of stock by	(113)	(157)	(28.0)
subsidiary Canadian Airlines charges Minority interest	497 (251)	-	* *
Miscellaneous - net	(2) (3) 160	(46) (182)	(93.5)
Earnings (Loss) Before Income Taxes and Extraordinary Loss Income tax provision (benefit)	424 51	(422) (152)	*
Net Earnings (Loss) Before Extraordinary Loss	373	(270)	*
Extraordinary Loss, Net of Tax Benefit Net Earnings (Loss)	(89) \$284	(12) \$ (282)	*
Earnings (Loss) Per Common Share Primary and Fully Diluted:			
Before Extraordinary Loss Extraordinary Loss	\$ 4.05 (0.97)	\$(3.54) (0.15)	
Net Earnings (Loss)	\$ 3.08	\$(3.69)	
Number of Shares Used in Computation	92	76	

\* Greater Than 100%

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Twelve Months Ended December 31, Percent 1996 1995 Change Revenues Airline Group Passenger - American Airlines \$13,645 \$13,134 3.9 - AMR Eagle 1,047 976 7.3 682 677 0.7 Cargo **Other** 837 714 17.2 15,501 16,211 4.6 The SABRE Group 1,622 1,529 6.1 Management Services Group 8.4 620 572 (700)(692)Less: Intergroup revenues 1.2 Total operating revenues 17,753 16,910 5.0 Expenses Wages, salaries and benefits 5,961 5,779 3.1 Aircraft fuel 1,623 1,936 19.3 1,293 Commissions to agents 1,252 (3.2)Depreciation and amortization 1,204 1,259 (4.4)Other rentals and landing fees 895 878 1.9 Aircraft rentals 671 616 (8.2)Food service 672 682 (1.5)Maintenance materials and repairs 697 641 8.7 2,655 2,536 Other operating expenses 4.7 Writedown of aircraft interiors 26 Restructuring costs 533 (100.0)\_ Total operating expenses 15,914 15,895 0.1 Operating Income 1,839 1,015 81.2 Other Income (Expense) Interest income 27.0 80 63 Interest expense (499)(670)(25.5)Gain on sale of stock by \* subsidiary 497 -\* Canadian Airlines charges (251)-\* Minority interest (2)-(55)(43.6)Miscellaneous - net (31)(206)(662)(68.9)Earnings Before Income Taxes and Extraordinary Loss 1,633 353 \* Income tax provision 528 162 \* Earnings Before Extraordinary Loss 191 1,105 Extraordinary Loss, Net of Tax Benefit (89)(29)Net Earnings \$1,016 \$ 162 Earnings (Loss) Per Common Share Primary: Before Extraordinary Loss \$ 12.64 \$ 2.48 Extraordinary Loss (1.01)(0.37) Net Earnings \$ 11.63 \$ 2.11 Fully Diluted: Before Extraordinary Loss \$ 12.15 \$ 2.48 Extraordinary Loss (0.96)(0.37) Net Earnings \$ 11.19 \$ 2.11 Number of Shares Used in Computation Primary 87 76 Fully Diluted 92 76

\* Greater Than 100%

#### 9 AMR CORPORATION BUSINESS SEGMENT FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (Unaudited) (In millions)

	Three Months Ended December 31, Percent			
	1996	1995 1	Percent Change	
Airline Group				
Revenues Passenger - American Airlines - AMR Eagle Cargo	\$3,315 249 181	\$3,232 252 174	2.6 (1.2) 4.0	
Other	222 3,967	191 3,849	16.2 3.1	
Expenses Wages, salaries and benefits Aircraft fuel Commissions to agents Depreciation and amortization Other rentals and landing fees Aircraft rentals Food service Maintenance materials and repairs Other operating expenses Writedown of aircraft interiors Restructuring costs Total operating expenses Operating Income (Loss) Other Income (Expense) Interest income Interest expense Miscellaneous - net	1,313 531 293 261 209 144 166 177 631 26 - 3,751 216 34 (114)	$1,259 \\ 430 \\ 312 \\ 266 \\ 197 \\ 167 \\ 175 \\ 161 \\ 660 \\ - \\ 533 \\ 4,160 \\ (311) \\ 23 \\ (159) \\ (45) \\ $	$\begin{array}{c} 4.3\\ 23.5\\ (6.1)\\ (1.9)\\ 6.1\\ (13.8)\\ (5.1)\\ 9.9\\ (4.4)\\ &*\\ (100.0)\\ (9.8)\\ &*\\ &\\ &\\ &\\ &\\ &\\ &\\ &\\ &\\ &\\ &\\ &\\ &\\ &\\$	
Earnings (Loss) Before Income	(80)	(181)	(55.8)	
Taxes and Extraordinary Loss Pre-tax Margin	\$ 136 3.4%	\$(492) (12.8)%	* 16.2 pts.	
The SABRE Group				
Revenues	\$ 376	\$ 368	2.2	
Operating Expenses	335	315	6.3	
Operating Income Other Income (Expense) Earnings Before Income Taxes Pre-tax Margin	41 (4) 37 9.8%	53 (1) 52 14.1%	(22.6) * (28.8) (4.3) pts.	
Management Services Group				
Revenues	\$ 154	\$ 145	6.2	
Operating Expenses	147	127	15.7	
Operating Income Other Income (Expense) Canadian Airlines charges Earnings (Loss) Before Income Taxes Pre-tax Margin	7 (251) (244) (158.4)%	18 - 18 12.4%	(61.1) * * (170.8) pts.	

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### 10 AMR CORPORATION BUSINESS SEGMENT FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (In millions)

	Twelve Months Ended			
	Decem 1996	ber 31, 1995	Percent Change	
Airline Group				
Revenues Passenger - American Airlines - AMR Eagle Cargo	\$13,645 1,047 682	\$13,134 976 677	3.9 7.3 0.7	
Other	837 16,211	714 15,501	17.2 4.6	
Expenses Wages, salaries and benefits Aircraft fuel Commissions to agents Depreciation and amortization Other rentals and landing fees Aircraft rentals Food service Maintenance materials and repair Other operating expenses Writedown of aircraft interiors Restructuring costs Total operating expenses Operating Income Other Income (Expense) Interest income Interest expense Miscellaneous - net Earnings (Loss) Before Income	5,191 1,936 1,252 1,018 815 616 672 s 686 2,557 26 - 14,769 1,442 103 (508) (23) (428)	5,082 1,623 1,293 1,070 801 671 682 632 2,550 - 533 14,937 564 74 (679) (45) (650)	2.1 19.3 (3.2) (4.9) 1.7 (8.2) (1.5) 8.5 0.3 * (100.0) (1.1) * 39.2 (25.2) (48.9) (34.2)	
Taxes and Extraordinary Loss Pre-tax Margin	\$1,014 6.3%	\$ (86) (0.6)%	* 6.9 pts.	
The SABRE Group				
Revenues	\$1,622	\$1,529	6.1	
Operating Expenses	1,295	1,149	12.7	
Operating Income Other Income (Expense) Earnings Before Income Taxes Pre-tax Margin	327 (21) \$ 306 18.9%	380 (10) \$ 370 24.2%	(13.9) * (17.3) (5.3) pts.	
Management Services Group				
Revenues	\$ 620	\$ 572	8.4	
Operating Expenses	550	501	9.8	
Operating Income Other Income (Expense) Canadian Airlines charges Miscellaneous - net	70 (251) (1) (252)	71 - (2) (2)	(1.4) * (50.0) *	
Earnings (Loss) Before Income Taxe Pre-tax Margin		\$ 69	* (41.5) pts.	

\* Greater Than 100%

- 1.Certain amounts from 1995 have been reclassified to conform with 1996 presentation.
- 2.0n October 17, 1996, The SABRE Group Holdings, Inc. (TSG) completed an initial public offering of 23,230,000 shares of its Class A Common Stock, representing 17.8 percent of the economic interest in TSG, for net proceeds of approximately \$589 million. AMR (the Company) recorded a \$497 million gain in the fourth quarter of 1996 related to the initial public offering.
- 3.During the fourth quarter of 1996, AMR recorded a \$251 million charge (\$230 million net of tax benefit) related to the Company's relationship with Canadian Airlines. This charge includes \$192 million related to the writedown of AMR's investment in the cumulative mandatorily redeemable convertible preferred stock of Canadian Airlines International Limited (Canadian) and \$59 million (\$38 million net of tax benefit) related to the writedown of certain start-up costs relating to the Company's agreement to provide a variety of management, technical and administrative services to Canadian.
- 4.During 1996, AMR repurchased and/or retired prior to maturity approximately \$1.1 billion in face value of long-term debt and capital lease obligations. These transactions resulted in an extraordinary loss of \$137 million (\$89 million net of tax benefit) and \$136 million (\$89 million net of tax benefit) for the three months and twelve months ended December 31, 1996, respectively.

During 1995, AMR repurchased and retired prior to maturity \$378 million in face value of long-term debt, net of sinking funding balances. In addition, \$616 million in outstanding principal of certain debt and lease obligations was refinanced during 1995. These debt transactions resulted in an extraordinary loss of \$18 million (\$12 million net of tax benefit) and \$45 million (\$29 million net of tax benefit) for the three months and twelve months ended December 31, 1995, respectively.

- 5.Restructuring costs of \$533 million (\$334 million net of tax benefit), included in operating expenses for the three months and twelve months ended December 31, 1995, primarily represent the cost of early retirement programs for Airline Group employees and provisions for the writedown of certain DC-10 aircraft and the planned retirement of certain turboprop aircraft.
- 6.0ther Income (Expense) for the twelve months ended December 31, 1996 includes a \$21 million provision (\$13 million net of tax benefit) for a cash payment recorded in the third quarter of 1996 representing American's share of a multi-carrier travel agency class action litigation settlement.

Other Income (Expense) for the three months and twelve months ended December 31, 1995, includes a \$41 million charge (\$26 million net of tax benefit) related to the loss of an aircraft operated by American Airlines, Inc.

	Three Months Ended		
	Decembe 1996		Percent Change
American Airlines Jet Airline Operations:			
Revenue passenger miles (millions) Available seat miles (millions)	25,591 37,758	25,258 38,821	1.3 (2.7)
Cargo ton miles (millions)	524	527	(0.6)
Passenger load factor	67.8%	65.1%	2.7 pts.
Breakeven load factor	62.3%	59.8%	2.5 pts.
(excluding special charges)			·
Passenger revenue yield per			
passenger mile (cents)	12.95	12.80	1.2
Passenger revenue per available	0.70	0.00	<b>F</b> 4
seat mile (cents)	8.78	8.33	5.4
Cargo revenue yield per ton mile (cents)	34.03	32,45	4.9
Operating expenses excluding	54.05	52.45	4.5
special charges per available			
seat mile (cents)	9.12	8.60	6.0
Fuel consumption (gallons, in			
millions)	677	684	(1.0)
Fuel price per gallon (cents)	75.6	60.4	25.2
Fuel price per gallon, excluding			
fuel tax (cents)	70.4	55.3	27.3
Operating aircraft at period-end	642	635	1.1
AMR Eagle, Inc.:			
Revenue passenger miles (millions)	628	658	(4.6)
Available seat miles (millions)	1,081	1,172	(7.8)
Passenger load factor	58.1%	56.1%	2.0 pts.
Operating aircraft at period-end	205	261	(21.5)
AMR Corporation Average Equivalent Number of Employees			
Airline Group:			
Jet Airline Operations	78,300	78,500	
Other	10,100	10,600	
Total Airline Group	88,400	89,100	
The SABRE Group Management Services Group	8,000 14,800	7,400 13,900	
		13,900	
	,200	110,400	

	Twelve Months Ended		
	December 1996		Percent Change
American Airlines Jet Airline Operations:			
Revenue passenger miles(millions) Available seat miles (millions) Cargo ton miles (millions) Passenger load factor Breakeven load factor (excluding special charges) Passenger revenue yield per	104,710 152,886 2,028 68.5% 60.2%	102,918 155,337 2,046 66.3% 59.6%	1.7 (1.6) (0.9) 2.2 pts. 0.6 pts.
passenger mile (cents) Passenger revenue per available	13.03	12.76	2.1
seat mile (cents)	8.92	8.46	5.4
Cargo revenue yield per ton mile (cents) Operating expenses excluding	33.14	32.64	1.5
special charges per available seat mile (cents)	8.91	8.57	4.0
Fuel consumption (gallons, in millions)	2,734	2,749	(0.5)
Fuel price per gallon (cents) Fuel price per gallon, excluding	68.2	56.9	19.9
fuel tax (cents) Operating aircraft at period-end	63.3 642	53.8 635	17.7 1.1
AMR Eagle, Inc.: Revenue passenger miles (millions) Available seat miles (millions) Passenger load factor Operating aircraft at period-end	2,590 4,431 58.5% 205	2,492 4,488 55.5% 261	3.9 (1.3) 3.0 pts. (21.5)
AMR Corporation Average Equivalent Number of Employed Airline Group: Jet Airline Operations Other Total Airline Group The SABRE Group Management Services Group Total	78,400 10,500 88,900 7,900 14,500	79,000 10,400 89,400 7,300 13,300 10,000	