

# SPACE ECONOMY NEWSLETTER



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## Global launch reaches record heights in 2025

By Douglas Gorman

Things that were up in 2025: the number of times your child said "six seven", *Wicked* themed everything, and rocket launches. According to astronomer Jonathan McDowell, 329 rockets tried to take off last year. The United States led the way with 181 attempts, 179 of which were successful.

*SpaceX\**, [United Launch Alliance](#) (a joint venture between [Boeing\\*](#) and [Lockheed Martin\\*](#)), [Northrop Grumman\\*](#), [Firefly\\*](#), [Blue Origin\\*](#), and [Rocket Lab\\*](#) were among the American companies responsible for the launches. A history making 4,517 satellites were also sent into orbit in 2025, a 58% increase from 2024.

Source: [www.payloadspace.com](#)



## Another 340 firms approved to bid on Golden Dome work worth up to \$151B

By Thomas Novelty

Source: [www.defenseone.com](#), [www.war.gov](#)

The Missile Defense Agency is saying "more is more" after adding another 340 companies to compete for \$151 billion worth of assignments for the Golden Dome. 2,400 organizations, including [AST SpaceMobile\\*](#), [Raytheon Technologies\\*](#), [SES\\*](#), [Northrop Grumman\\*](#), and [L3Harris Technologies\\*](#), are vying for work on President Trump's missile defense system to protect America.



## Pentagon to invest \$1 billion in L3Harris rocket motor business

By Mike Stone

[L3Harris Technologies\\*](#) is giving three cheers for the red, white and blue after the Pentagon announced it would be investing \$1 billion in L3Harris's rocket motor business. The funding aims to expand U.S. production capacity of solid rocket motors for missile programs. Under the deal, the Defense Department will purchase convertible preferred securities in L3Harris' newly formed Missile Solutions business, which will spin off as a separate publicly traded company in the second half of 2026.

Source: [www.reuters.com](#)

## Planet's \$100M+ Sweden deal solidifies strategic lead in government satellite services



Planet Labs\* is going to Sweden and not just for the meatballs and IKEA furniture. The company was awarded a more than \$100 million contract with the Swedish Armed Forces. Planet will furnish Sweden with satellites, space-based data, and intelligence solutions.

Source: [www.marketchameleon.com](http://www.marketchameleon.com)

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### Satellogic signs \$18MM USD agreement with Portugal to deliver two Mark V high-resolution satellites

Source: [www.markets.businessinsider.com](http://www.markets.businessinsider.com)

### Satellogic secures 7-figure imagery deal for monitoring

By Rachel Jewett

Source: [www.satellitetoday.com](http://www.satellitetoday.com)

Timothée Chalamet may have set the tabloids in a frenzy after finally acknowledging his relationship with Kylie Jenner, but Satellogic\* was busy making news of its own by signing two new deals in January:

- Portugal awarded Satellogic \$18 million for the development of two new high-resolution imaging satellites. The Earth observation satellites will assist Europe in civil, environmental, and security missions.
- Satellogic also signed a seven-figure deal to provide consistent, high-frequency monitoring coverage of multiple sites for an unnamed client.

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### Eutelsat orders 340 Airbus satellites to sustain OneWeb network

Restaurant portion sizes may be decreasing thanks to all of the weight loss drug usage, but demand for satellites is increasing. Airbus\* has been tasked with producing 340 more satellites for Eutelsat\*. The new satellites will be used to update Eutelsat's OneWeb low-Earth-orbit network.

Source: [www.seekingalpha.com](http://www.seekingalpha.com)

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### Voyager Technologies shares edge higher following NASA contract extension

By Fiona Craig

High school kids aren't just studying for algebra tests and voting for homecoming king and queen these days. Now they're being tasked with helping further the future of space. NASA recently renewed a contract with Voyager Technologies\* for the Create Hardware (HUNCH) initiative. The HUNCH program allows high school students to gain real life experience designing and producing hardware used by NASA, including for International Space Station. Voyager will provide engineering and program support for the student-developed hardware.

Source: [www.investorshub.com](http://www.investorshub.com)

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### NASA advances ambitious mission to search for life beyond Earth

NASA is furthering its goal to prove E.T. doesn't just exist on a movie screen. The space agency selected seven companies, including Astroscale\*, L3Harris Technologies\*, Lockheed Martin\*, Northrop



Grumman\*, to look for signs of alien life on other planets. The firms received contracts to develop advanced technologies for the Habitable Worlds Observatory, a telescope intended to observe other planets and try to identify proof of life.

Source: [www.openaccess.org](http://www.openaccess.org)



## ETFs to consider amid geopolitical woes and higher US military budget

By Yashwardhan Jain

Defense stocks have been trending up as President Trump pushes to increase the United States military budget to \$1.5 trillion in 2027 and geopolitical issues continue to escalate. Lockheed Martin\*, Northrop Grumman\*, and RTX Corporation\* were trading higher on the news. **The Procure Space ETF**<sup>®</sup> includes these defense contractors, as well as companies tied to satellites, launch services, and space-based communications.

Source: [www.zacks.com](http://www.zacks.com)



## Over \$240M AUM and growing, this UFO ETF is taking off

By Ben Hernandez

Source: [www.etftrends.com](http://www.etftrends.com), [www.procureetfs.com](http://www.procureetfs.com)

New year, new records. **The Procure Space ETF**<sup>®</sup> is starting 2026 off strong, topping \$300 million in assets under management (AUM) and increasing 89% in January 2026 from the year prior. The growth in AUM marks a significant milestone for the fund and highlights growing investor interest in the global space economy.

Thematic exchange-traded funds, such as **The Procure Space ETF**<sup>®</sup>, are growing in popularity as they provide access to niche sectors. **UFO** offers investors exposure to a diversified portfolio of companies focused on the space economy.

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