

Daily Space Snapshot

April 4, 2026 • Fresh stories, source-linked

TOPLINE

Launch cadence + lunar surface ops are leading today's signal mix.

WASHINGTON – For the second consecutive year, the White House is proposing a major budget cut for NASA that would significantly reduce the agency's science programs and International Space Station operations.



TOP SIGNAL
White House again proposes steep NASA budget cuts
Image: SpaceNews



MARKET MOVE
NASA is sending astronauts back to the moon. Can you see the Artemis 4 landing sites from Earth?
Image: Space.com



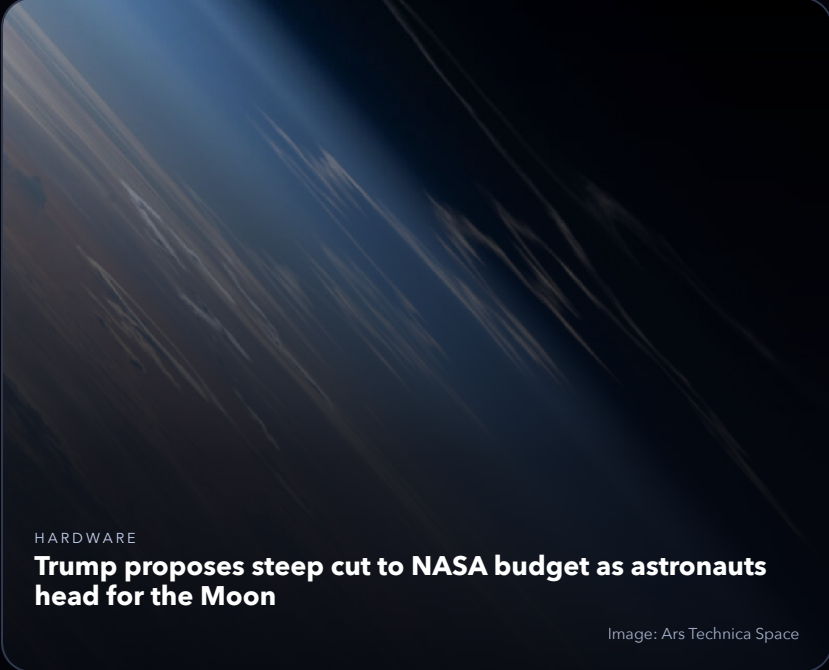
POLICY
1st results from Blue Ghost lunar lander reveal how much we still don't know about the moon
Image: Space.com



LAUNCH OPS
NASA Sets Coverage for Northrop Grumman's CRS-24 Resupply Launch
Image: NASA



PROGRAM WATCH
Italy's Argotec plans to scale Florida satellite facility to meet rising US demand
Image: SpaceNews



HARDWARE
Trump proposes steep cut to NASA budget as astronauts head for the Moon
Image: Ars Technica Space



SCIENCE / PUBLIC
Virgil I. "Gus" Grissom
Image: NASA

SIGNAL METER

Topic Heat

Launch Ops	33
Programs	50
Policy	17

LAUNCH WINDOW

Upcoming Launches

- Apr 4, 2026 • Cape Canaveral Space Force Station, Florida, ...**
Amazon Leo (LA-05)
- Apr 5, 2026 • Vandenberg Space Force Base, California, USA**
Starlink Group 17-35
- Apr 7, 2026 • Vandenberg Space Force Base, California, USA**
STP-S29A
- Apr 7, 2026 • Wenchang Space Launch Site, China**
CASC launch listing
- Apr 8, 2026 • Cape Canaveral Space Force Station, Florida, ...**
CRS NG-24

NARRATIVE BALANCE

Signal Split

Momentum Signal	61%
Caution Signal	39%

61% momentum vs 39% caution across 12 stories from the last 24 hours (4 momentum-leaning, 8 caution-leaning). Momentum leads, with caution concentrated around execution and launch risk.