

Daily Space Snapshot

May 4, 2026 • Fresh stories, source-linked

TOPLINE

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

Global Smallsat Deployment Accelerates, with 16,900 Satellites Projected Through 2035.

NOVASPACE

TOP SIGNAL

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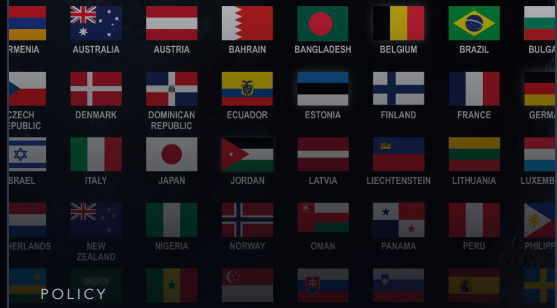
Image: SpaceNews

MARKET MOVE

Why do some stars become 'supernova impostors'? Astronomers still don't quite know

Image: Space.com

ARTEMIS ACCORDS



NASA Welcomes Malta as Newest Artemis Accords Signatory

Image: NASA

LAUNCH OPS

Space's missing half

Image: SpaceNews

PROGRAM WATCH

Record-Setting Retreat of Hektoria Glacier

Image: NASA

HARDWARE

LAGEOS: An Earth Science Mission Built for Enduring Precision

Image: NASA

SCIENCE / PUBLIC

OroraTech deploys wildfire constellation for Greece

Image: SpaceNews

SIGNAL METER

Topic Heat



LAUNCH WINDOW

Upcoming Launches

- May 6, 2026 • Vandenberg Space Force Base, California, USA**
Starlink Group 17-29
- May 9, 2026 • Vandenberg Space Force Base, California, USA**
Starlink Group 17-37
- May 12, 2026 • Vandenberg Space Force Base, California, U...**
NROL-172
- May 12, 2026 • Starbase, Texas, USA**
Starship Flight 12
- May 12, 2026 • Cape Canaveral Space Force Station, Florid...**
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NARRATIVE BALANCE

Signal Split

