

SpaceX lost its \$160 floor and fell 4.2% to \$156.54 in an AI-chip selloff, while Tesla and the Nasdaq slipped far less.

THE NUMBER OF THE DAY

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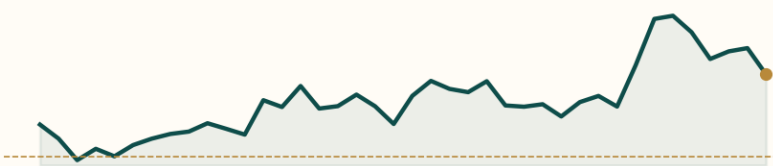
Starship launches a year SpaceX wants to fly from Starbase, up from the 25 it is allowed today. On Tuesday the FAA opened a full environmental review of the plan. Nothing is approved or rejected yet.

FAA notice, Federal Register doc. 2026-20963 (filed 13 Oct)

Scoreboard

SpaceX SPCX	\$156.54	-4.21%
Tesla TSLA	\$375.23	-0.74%
Nasdaq-100 QQQ	\$743.57	-0.33%

Day 123 since the IPO · SpaceX is +16.0% vs the \$135 IPO price



SpaceX closes 2026-08-18 to 2026-10-13. Dashed line = \$135 IPO price.

Distance from Tuesday's close to the key levels

Recent high	\$176.42	+12.7%
Bulls in control (daily close)	\$160.00	+2.2%
First support	\$155.00	-1.0%
Strong support	\$150.00	-4.2%
Bull case wrong (daily close)	\$148.00	-5.5%

Nasdaq 4pm closes; levels from the daily SPCX TA

What mattered, ranked by impact on the stock

1 Korea's AI-chip crash spilled into SpaceX: Samsung -7.4%, SK Hynix -10.1%

So what: SpaceX sells AI computing power and trades partly as an AI stock, so it fell with the chip names after China's CXMT showed cheaper memory tech; nothing in SpaceX's own business changed today.

Yahoo Finance, 13 Oct

2 FAA opens an environmental review of SpaceX's plan for up to 456 Starship launches a year in Texas

So what: A process step, not a ruling: phase one would allow 100 launches a year, public meetings run 17-19 Nov and comments close 30 Nov. The flight rate Starship needs runs through this review.

FAA notice, Federal Register, 13 Oct

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SpaceX agrees to testify to the NYC Council on AI safety, Friday 10 a.m. ET

So what: It skipped the 5 Oct hearing despite a subpoena and agreed after the council said it would go to a judge. No court fight now, but its Grok safety answers go on the record.

CNBC, 13 Oct
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Bernstein downgrades AT&T; and Piper Sandler downgrades AST SpaceMobile, both over SpaceX

So what: Two more firms now treat Starlink's phone push as a real threat to carriers and rivals. Piper cut its AST target to \$54 from \$98.

CNBC; Investing.com, 13 Oct
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Musk: "Grok Bot is like hiring a super smart employee" (2.2M views)

So what: Grok sits on the SpaceX side, and Musk is putting his own reach behind the paid AI agent for a second day.

@elonmusk, 13 Oct

What the crowd got wrong

"SpaceX is tanking as another 328,400,000 locked-up shares hit the market" (@joinautopilot, 25K views)

X Wrong day. No shares were unlocked on Tuesday. Per the IPO prospectus, the last 328.4M tranche was freed Fri 9 Oct (the stock rose 1.2% that day) and the next is Sat 24 Oct, first sellable Mon 26 Oct. Unlocked means allowed to sell, not sold. @joinautopilot post vs SpaceX 424B4 prospectus lock-up table

Catalyst countdown

2d	Thu 15 Oct · Tesla Roadster unveil
3d	Fri 16 Oct · SpaceX testifies to the NYC Council on AI safety, 10 a.m. ET
8d	Wed 21 Oct · Tesla Q3 results
11d	Sat 24 Oct · SpaceX unlock: up to 328.4M shares can be sold from Mon 26 Oct (not a forced sale)
26d	Sun 8 Nov · Starship Flight 15 (no earlier than)
34d	Mon 16 Nov · Q3 13F deadline: who bought SpaceX

Tomorrow, watch...

- > \$155-\$156: first support and the 21-day average (about \$156). A daily close back above \$160 is the first step up.
- > \$150-\$152: next safety net, near the 50-day average. A daily close below \$148 means the bull case is wrong.
- > US inflation data 8:30 a.m. ET Wednesday; Dragon docks with the Space Station ~11 a.m. ET Thursday.

Last session's calls: 0 of 2 right

- X \$160 holds · Low was \$156.11, closed \$156.54
- X Daily close above \$167.60 · High was \$161.98

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