

SpaceX Valuation Check — Summary Memo

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Re: SpaceX (core Space + Starlink) vs. public space-sector comps

Attachment: SpaceX_Comps_Analysis_2026-06-10.xlsx

Context

SpaceX filed a Form S-1 on 20 May 2026 (Nasdaq, ticker SPCX; no price range filed as of today), making FY2025 financials public for the first time. The filing consolidates xAI/X retrospectively, so this analysis uses the "core" SpaceX segments — Space (launch/Dragon/Starship) and Connectivity (Starlink) — for a like-for-like comparison: FY2025 revenue of 15.5B and segment Adjusted EBITDA of 7.8B, with Starlink growing 49.8% year on year. Three valuation marks frame the check: the ~800B late-2025 insider tender, the 1.0T equity value implied by the February 2026 xAI all-stock acquisition, and the up-to-\$1.75T figure circulating in IPO coverage.

The peer set is the five pure-play public space names: Rocket Lab, AST SpaceMobile, Intuitive Machines, Planet Labs, and Iridium, using June 2026 market data and LTM financials to March/April 2026.

What the comps show

On EV/Revenue, the peer set spans 7.6x (Iridium, mature and slow-growing) to 315.9x (AST SpaceMobile, pre-commercial), with a median of 34.0x and a 75th percentile of 90.4x. SpaceX screens at 51.7x at the 800B tender mark, 64.6x at 1.0T, and 113.1x at \$1.75T.

On EV/EBITDA, only Iridium among the peers is EBITDA-positive (15.3x). SpaceX, at scale and EBITDA-positive, trades at an implied 102x at 800B and 224x at 1.75T against core Adjusted EBITDA — far above any earnings-based anchor in the sector.

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At the 800B tender valuation, SpaceX's revenue multiples sit between Planet Labs (34x) and Rocket Lab (90x) — mid-pack in a sector trading at historically rich multiples — despite SpaceX being the only name with both hypergrowth (Starlink 50% YoY) and positive EBITDA. Rocket Lab trades at nearly twice SpaceX's revenue multiple with negative EBITDA.

At 1.0T the multiple (65x) still sits below Rocket Lab's. At 1.75T, SpaceX would price above every peer except pre-commercial AST SpaceMobile, and at ~224x EBITDA — a level that requires the market to underwrite Starship, the \$15B/yr Anthropic compute contract, and the AI segment rather than current core economics.

Key caveats

SpaceX EV assumes zero net debt (no clean disclosure; the S-1 flags substantial xAI/X-related indebtedness, which would push multiples higher). SpaceX EBITDA is company-adjusted while peers are GAAP-derived. No public company truly matches SpaceX's vertically integrated model, and the peer set itself is arguably frothy (median 34x revenue), so "in line with peers" is not the same as "cheap." Data is from the S-1 and S&P Global MI via stockanalysis.com, not an institutional terminal — verify before external use. This is general analysis, not investment advice.

Sources

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