

F-16 Fighting Falcon Fast Facts



- The F-16 offers advanced interoperable capabilities that enhance partnerships with allies.
- It has been proving its effectiveness for decades and continues to remain the best value among 4th generation jets for its capabilities and affordable lifecycle costs.

Proven: Four Decades of Allied Missions

- More than 4,500 produced and operated by 25 countries
- Interoperable with allied and coalition forces
- 13+ million sorties and counting
- Estimated 19.5 million flight hours
- Operating costs typically less than other 4th generation aircraft
- Industry-leading 12,000 hour service life

Powerful: Building Partnerships Around the World

- New production Block 70/72 chosen by five nations and counting with 128-jet backlog
- APG-83 AESA radar and other new production and upgrade enhancements bring significant 4th generation capabilities to the mission
- 600 active suppliers — including 24 internationally — support the F-16 across the lifecycle
- Thousands of jobs around the world across development, production and sustainment

Recent Milestones

- Lockheed Martin announces its Johnstown, PA site as a new F-16 supplier, adding 80 new jobs. (August 2021)
- Israel Aerospace Industries announces restart of wing production line for Block 70/72 F-16s. (August 2021)
- U.S. Air Force announces plans to develop F-16 Digital Twin to improve sustainment of F-16s worldwide. (July 2021)
- U.S. State Department approves the proposed sale of 12 new F-16 Block 70/72 aircraft for the Philippines. (June 2021)
- Lockheed Martin signs service agreement with Polish company WZL-2 for sustainment support of Polish F-16s. (June 2021)
- Polish F-16s surpass 100,000 flight hours. (May 2021)

Operators Past & Current

