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# F-35 Lightning II Fast Facts

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## Program Status



## Recent Milestones

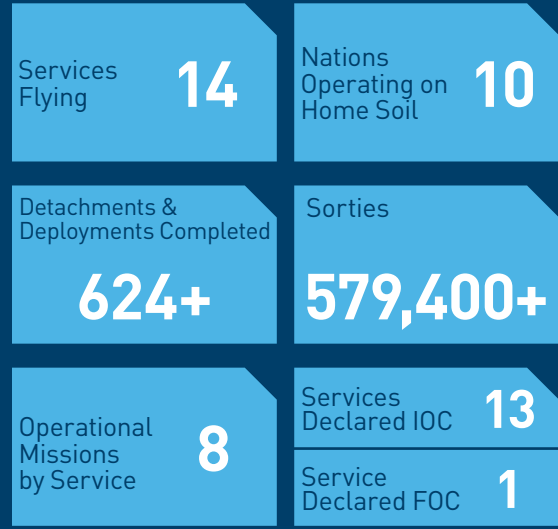
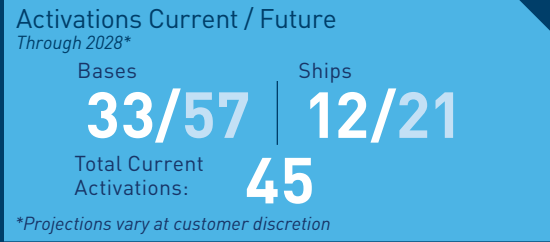
- Romania becomes the 20th customer to join the F-35 program. [November 21](#)
- Norwegian F-35s intercept a Russian intelligence aircraft near northern Norway. [November 21](#)
- U.S. Marines conduct the first airstrikes with the F-35C. [November 9-10](#)
- F-35B sea trials conclude aboard Japan's multi-functional vessel JS Kaga. [November 8](#)

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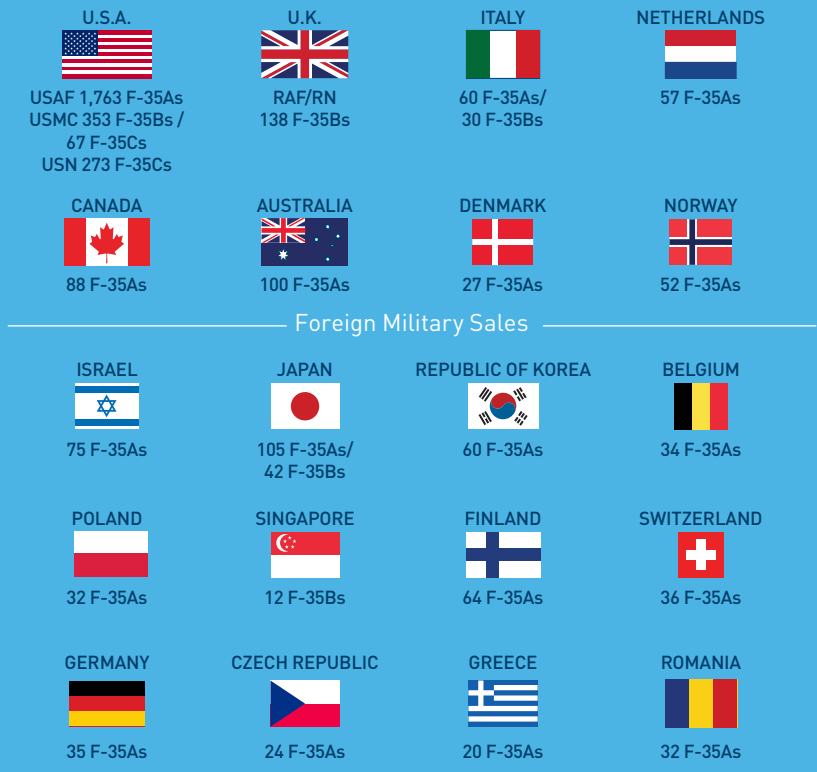
The F-35 is the most advanced 21st Century Security solution, contributing to recent global exercises such as:

- [Exercise Northern Lighting 2024](#)
- [Arctic Challenge Exercise 2023](#)
- [Red Flag 24-2](#)
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- [Pacific Edge 23](#)

## F-35 In Action



## F-35 Program Participants: 20



## F-35 Engineering for Sustainment

