

The Hypersonic Six

The Pentagon discusses only six hypersonic programs, with others remaining shrouded in secrecy. How the six known programs compare:

Service or Agency	System	Range	Contractor(s)	Type	Launch Mode
1. Air Force	Air-Launched Rapid Response Weapon	Medium	Lockheed Martin	Boost-Glide	Air
2. Air Force/DARPA	Hypersonic Air-Breathing Weapon Concept	Medium	Lockheed Martin/Raytheon	Air-Breathing	Air
3. DARPA/Air Force	Tactical Boost Glide	—	Lockheed Martin/Raytheon	Boost-Glide	Air
4. DARPA/Army	Operational Fires	Medium-Long	Lockheed Martin	Boost-Glide	Ground
5. Army	Long-Range Hypersonic Weapon	Long	Lockheed Martin	Boost-Glide	Ground
6. Navy	Intermediate-Range Conventional Prompt Strike	—	Lockheed Martin	Boost-Glide Surface	Submarine