



# 2016

## State of the Satellite Industry Report

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# Satellite Industry Association: 21 Years as the Voice of the U.S. Satellite Industry



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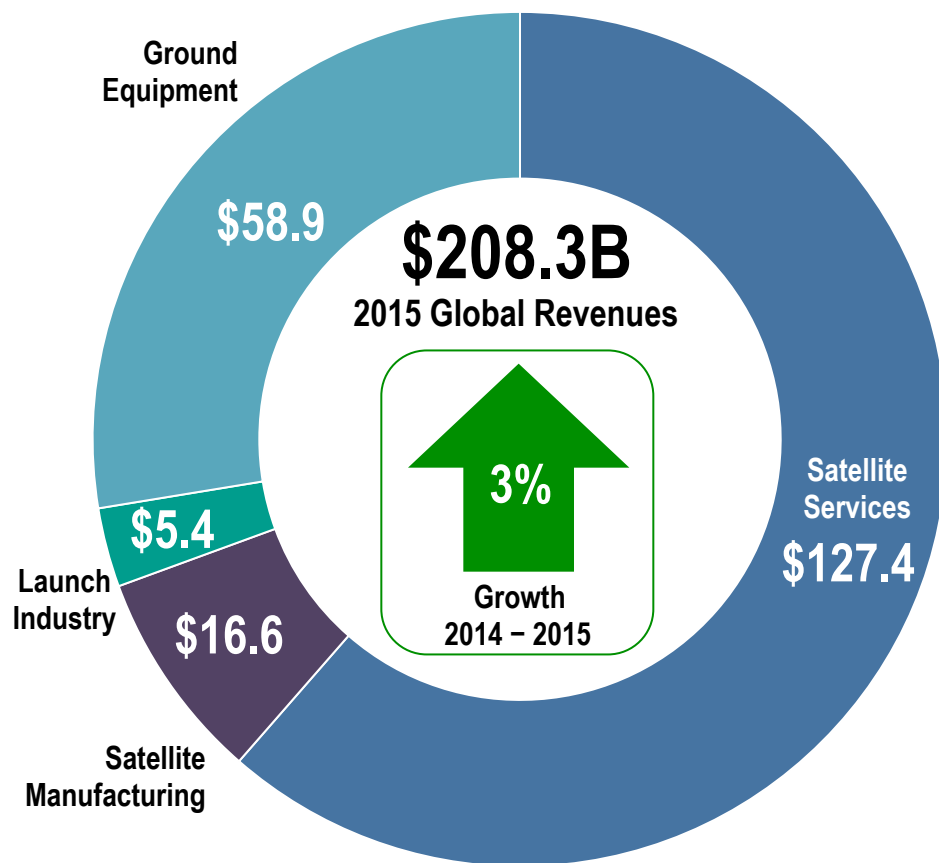


# Study Overview

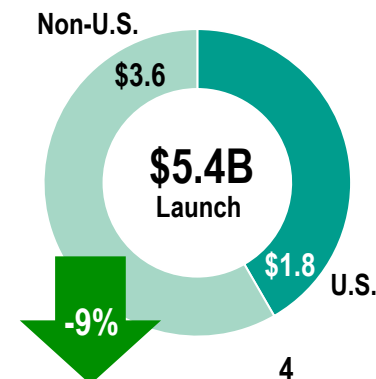
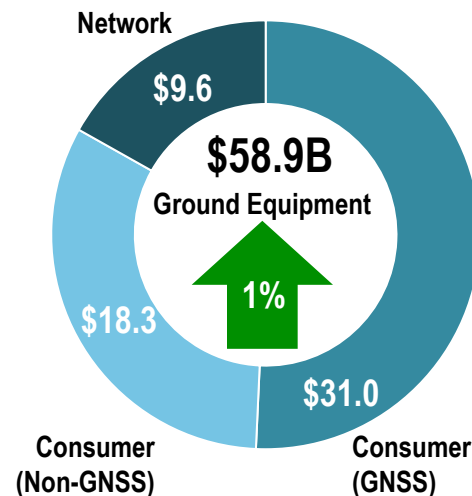
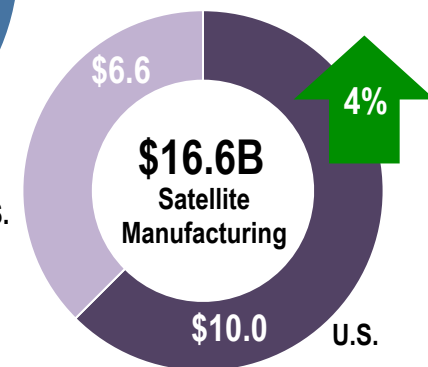
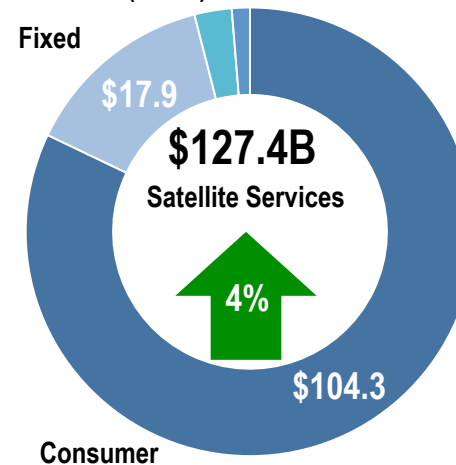


- SIA's 19<sup>th</sup> annual study of satellite industry data
- Performed by The Tauri Group
- Reports on 2015 activity derived from unique data sets, including proprietary surveys, in-depth public information, and independent analysis
- All data are global, unless otherwise noted
- Prior year revenues are not adjusted for inflation

# 2015 Satellite Industry Indicators Summary



Mobile (\$3.4B) Earth Observation Services (\$1.8B)



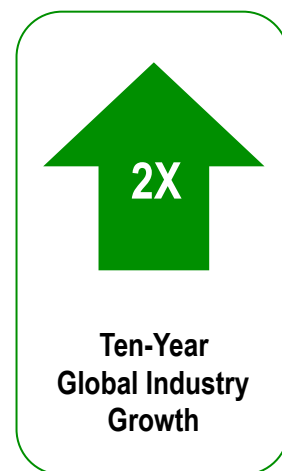
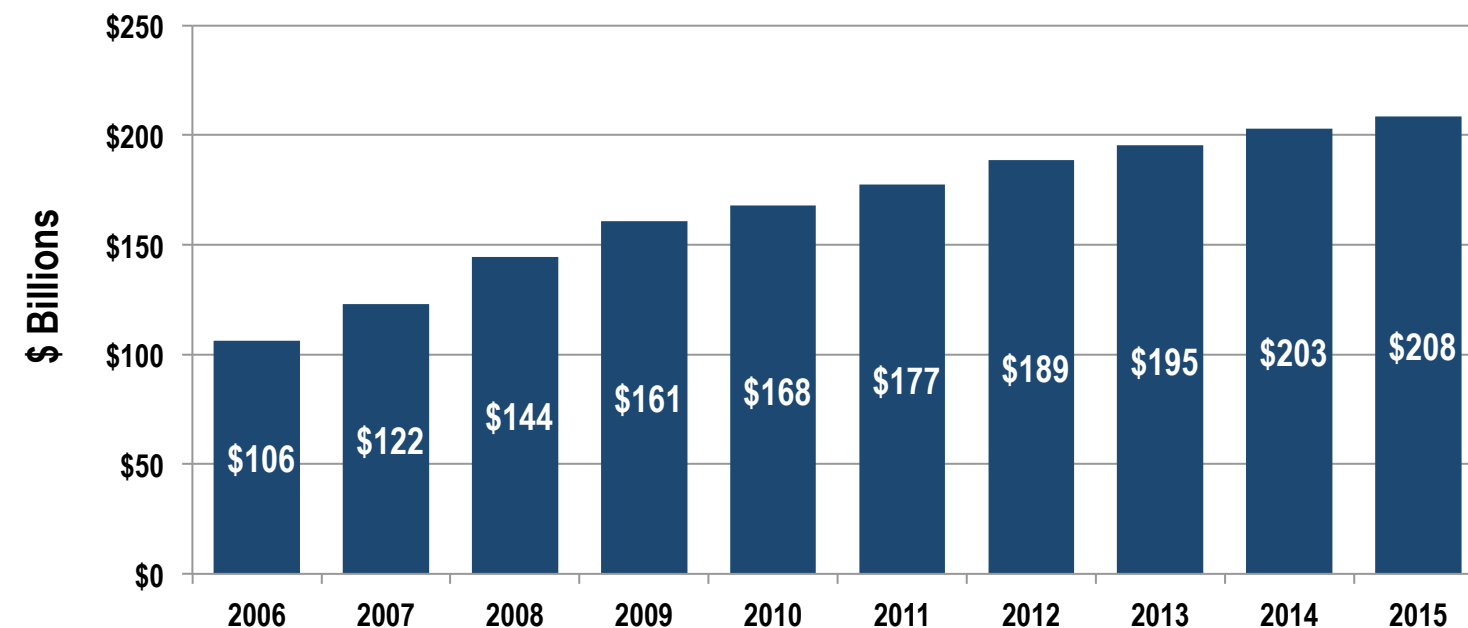
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# Global Satellite Industry Revenues



Global Satellite Industry Revenues (\$ Billions)



Growth Rate

19%	15%	18%	11%	5%	6%	7%	3%	4%	3%
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Global satellite industry grew 3% in 2015, slightly above worldwide economic growth (2.4%) and U.S. growth (2.5%)



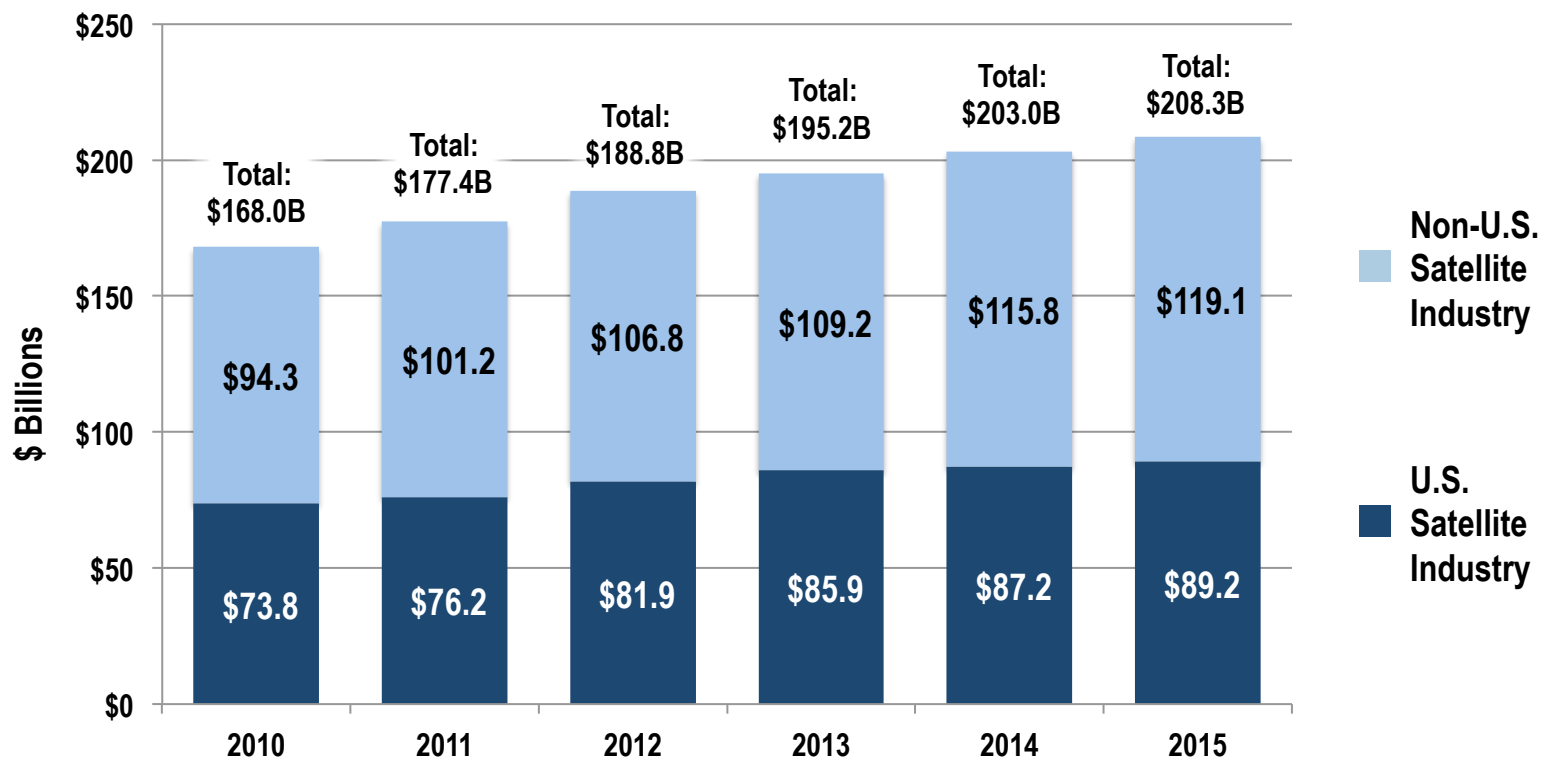
# U.S. Portion of Global Satellite Industry Revenues



Average yearly  
U.S. market share

**43%**

of global  
industry

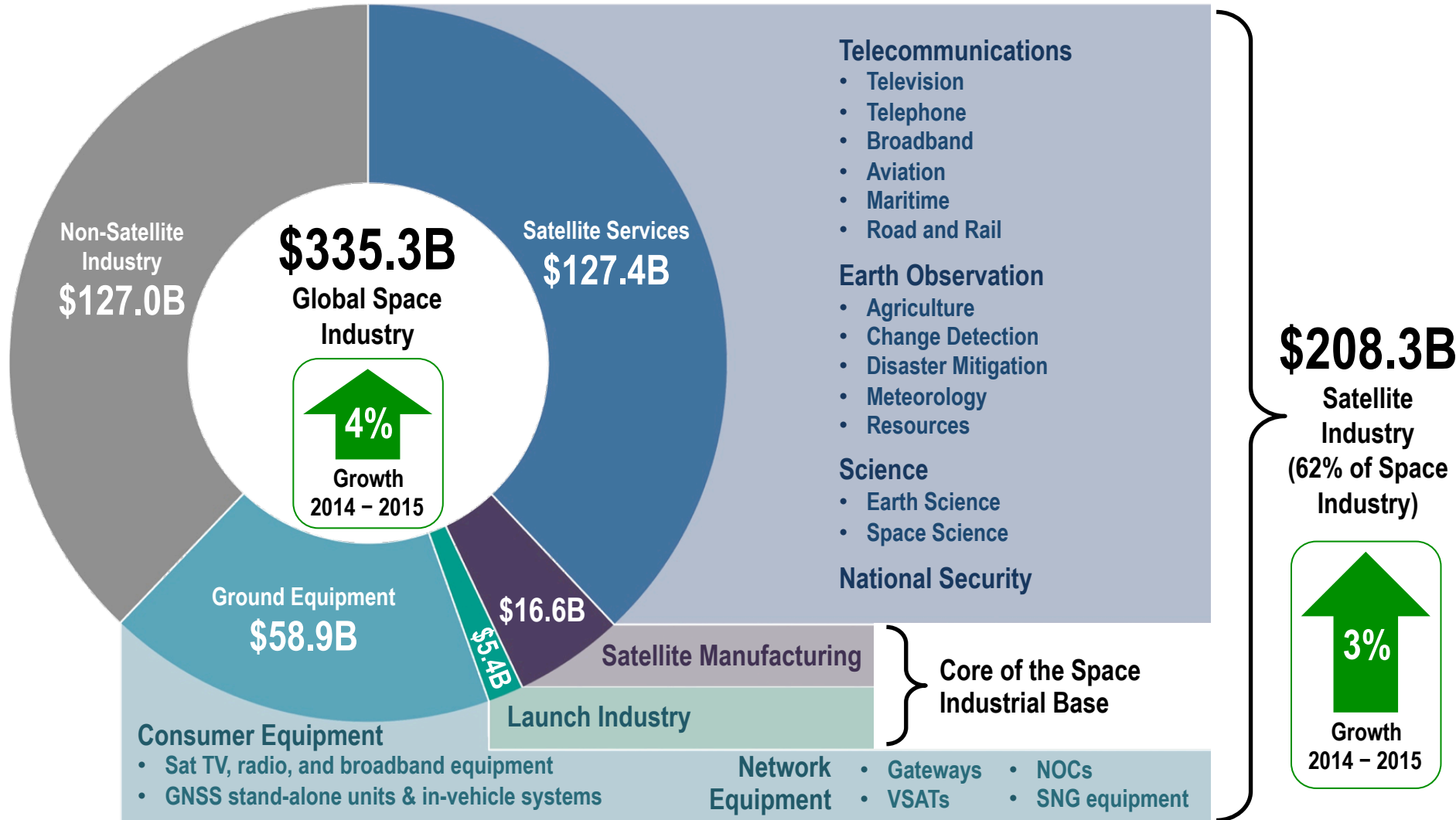


	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Growth Rate	4%	6%	6%	3%	4%	3%
U.S. Growth	2%	3%	7%	5%	2%	2%
Non-U.S. Growth	7%	7%	6%	2%	6%	3%

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# The Satellite Industry in Context



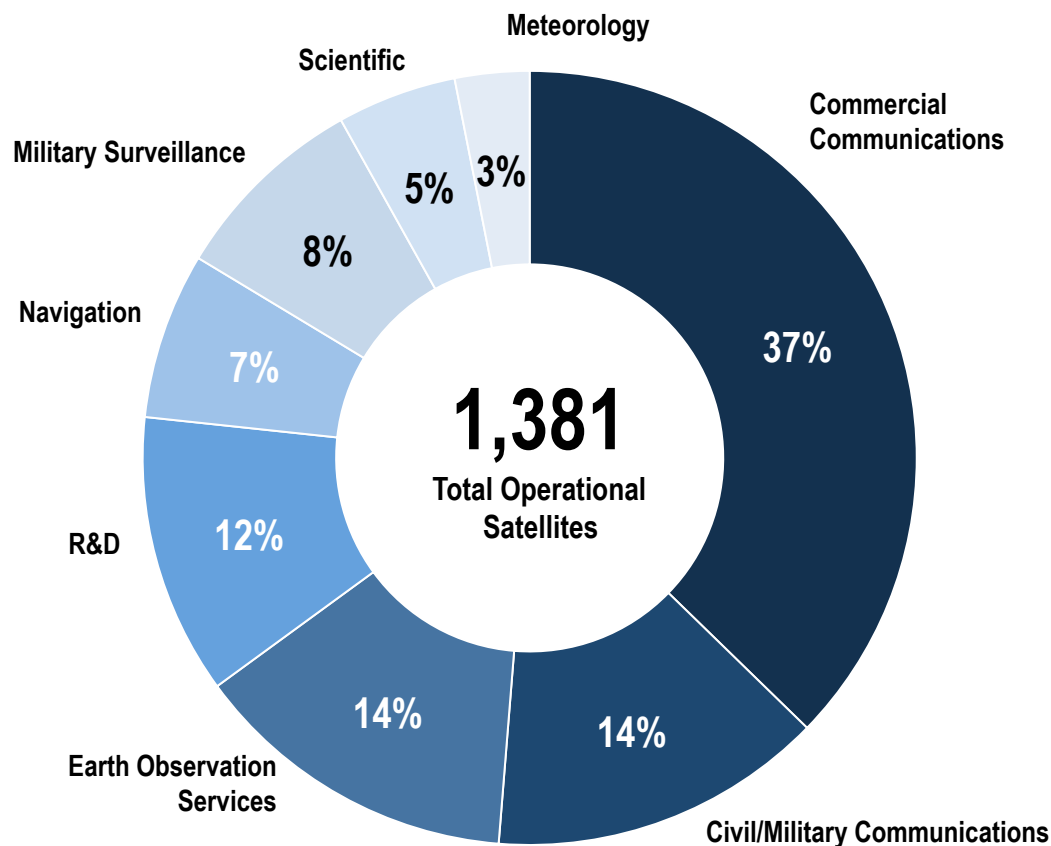
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Notes: Network operations centers (NOCs), satellite news gathering (SNG), very small aperture terminal (VSAT) equipment, global navigation satellite systems (GNSS)

# The Satellite Network in Context

## Operational Satellites by Function (as of December 31, 2015)



- Number of satellites increased 39% over 5 years, compared to 986 reported in 2011
  - » Average number of satellites launched per year in 2011-2015 increased 36% over previous 5 years
  - » Small and very small satellites deployed in LEO contribute to this growth
  - » Average operational lives of certain satellite types (such as GEO communications satellites) are becoming longer
- 59 countries with operators of at least one satellite (some as part of regional consortia)



# Top-Level Global Satellite Industry Findings



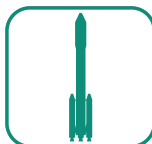
- Satellite industry revenue was \$208.3 billion in 2015
- Overall industry growth of 3% worldwide
- Three of four satellite industry segments posted growth



**Satellite services**, the largest segment, revenues grew by 4%  
*Consumer services continues to be a key driver for the overall satellite industry*



**Satellite manufacturing** revenues grew by 4%  
*Larger number of high value government satellites launched in 2015*



**Launch industry** revenues decreased by 9%  
*Fewer commercially procured launches*



**Ground equipment** revenues grew by 1%  
*Growth in consumer and network equipment, and consumer GNSS remaining flat*

# Satellite Industry Segments

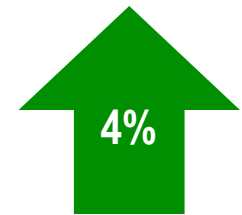
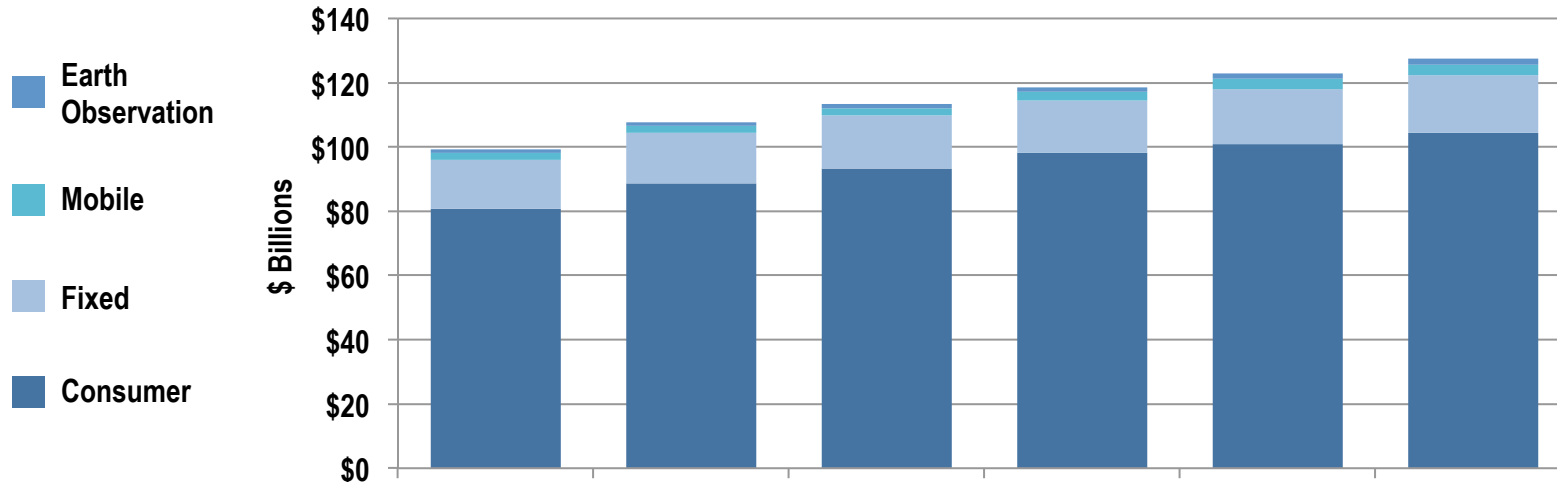


## **Satellite Services**

- Consumer Services
  - » Satellite Television
  - » Satellite Radio
  - » Satellite Broadband
- Fixed Satellite Services
  - » Transponder Agreements
  - » Managed Network Services (including spaceflight management services)
- Mobile Satellite Services
  - » Mobile Data
  - » Mobile Voice
- Earth Observation Services



# Global Satellite Services Revenue



2014 – 2015  
Global  
Growth

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
<b>Growth Rate</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>4%</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$101.3</b>	<b>\$107.8</b>	<b>\$113.5</b>	<b>\$118.6</b>	<b>\$122.9</b>	<b>\$127.4</b>
<b>Consumer</b>	<b>\$83.1</b>	<b>\$88.6</b>	<b>\$93.3</b>	<b>\$98.1</b>	<b>\$100.9</b>	<b>\$104.3</b>
Satellite TV (DBS/DTH)	\$79.1	\$84.4	\$88.4	\$92.6	\$95.0	\$97.8
Satellite Radio (DARS)	\$2.8	\$3.0	\$3.4	\$3.8	\$4.2	\$4.6
Satellite Broadband	\$1.2	\$1.2	\$1.5	\$1.7	\$1.8	\$1.9
<b>Fixed</b>	<b>\$15.0</b>	<b>\$15.7</b>	<b>\$16.4</b>	<b>\$16.4</b>	<b>\$17.1</b>	<b>\$17.9</b>
Transponder Agreements (1)	\$11.1	\$11.4	\$11.8	\$11.8	\$12.3	\$12.4
Managed Services (2)	\$3.9	\$4.3	\$4.6	\$4.6	\$4.8	\$5.5
<b>Mobile</b>	<b>\$2.3</b>	<b>\$2.4</b>	<b>\$2.4</b>	<b>\$2.6</b>	<b>\$3.3</b>	<b>\$3.4</b>
Voice	\$0.7	\$0.7	\$0.7	\$0.8	\$0.9	\$1.0
Data	\$1.6	\$1.7	\$1.8	\$1.8	\$2.3	\$2.4
<b>Earth Observation</b>	<b>\$1.0</b>	<b>\$1.1</b>	<b>\$1.3</b>	<b>\$1.5</b>	<b>\$1.6</b>	<b>\$1.8</b>

The U.S. share of  
satellite services  
revenue in 2015  
was

**42%**

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Notes: Numbers may not sum exactly due to rounding. (1) Includes capacity for DTH satellite TV and some mobility service platforms. (2) Includes VSAT networks.





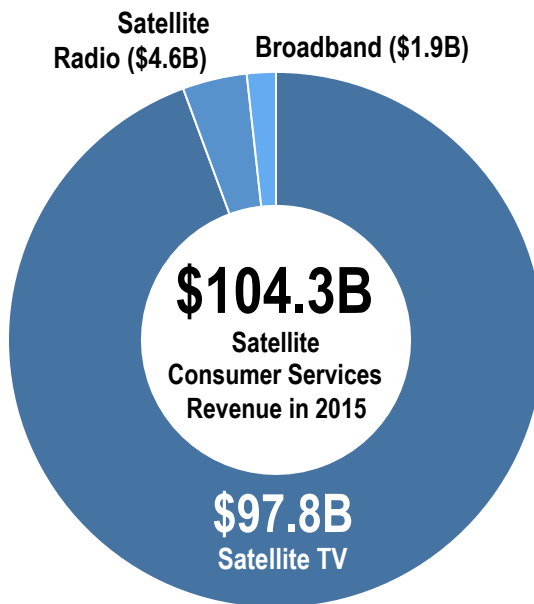
# Satellite Services Findings: Consumer Services Highlights



The consumer services segment, consisting of satellite television, radio, and broadband, grew by 3% and was the largest contributor to overall satellite services revenues

## Satellite TV Services

- Satellite TV services (DBS/DTH) grew 3% and account for 77% of all satellite services revenues, and 94% of consumer revenues
- About 230 million satellite TV subscribers worldwide, driven by growth in emerging markets
- 42% of global revenues attributed to U.S.
- U.S. growth driven by premium service revenues
- Growing production of UHD content drives the increasing (but still relatively low) number of UHD channels
- Compression technologies continue to improve, potentially slowing down the demand growth for satellite capacity



## Satellite Radio

- Satellite radio (DARS) revenues grew by 9% in 2015
- Satellite radio subscribers grew 8% in 2015 to 29.6 million
- Primarily U.S. customer base

## Satellite Broadband

- Revenue grew 10%
- Subscription grew to about 1.8 million
- Most subscribers in the U.S., non-U.S. subscription growth rate picking up



# Satellite Services Findings



- **Fixed satellite services grew by 4%**
  - » Revenues for transponder agreements grew 1%, compared to 4% in 2014
  - » Revenues for managed services grew 15%, compared to 4% in 2014; airborne services contributed significantly
- **Mobile satellite services grew 4%**
  - » Mobile satellite voice revenues grew 9%, compared to 19% in 2014
  - » Mobile satellite data revenues grew 4%, compared to 27% in 2014
    - Includes a small amount of revenue from Ku and Ka-band FSS capacity, leased by MSS operators to provide maritime, airborne, and other mobility services
- **Earth observation services revenues grew 10%**
  - » Continued growth by established satellite remote sensing companies, with some new entrants reporting revenue from newly deployed and acquired satellites
  - » New entrants continued to raise capital, develop satellites, and deploy initial constellations



# Case Study: Consumer Broadband Over Satellite



- **Satellite broadband segment getting more mature**
- **Comparable to terrestrial**
  - » Comparable to cable/fiber in terms of speed and price
  - » Latency a concern for a few applications; plans announced for LEO systems with lower latency
  - » Available nationwide, not just in select areas
- **Maturation** and combining of advanced technologies (frequency reuse, spot beams, and on-board processing) defined new, high throughput satellites (HTS)
- **Substantial reduction in cost** per unit of throughput
- **Growing** customer confidence due to high data rates and reliable service
  - » For the last 3 years, satellite broadband operators consistently ranked at the top by the FCC broadband report in at least one of the two categories: for the best peak period download speeds and for delivering on advertised performance promises

## 1990s

- Large constellations proposed, all canceled
- Expensive technology
- Cost-effective terrestrial competition

## 2000s

- Smaller regional systems proposed, deployed
  - » Wildblue
  - » Spaceway
- Technical success, test bed for new technologies, bandwidth cost reduction
- Acquisitions by established players

## Present

- Five major systems today and expanding:
  - » Eutelsat Tooway, HughesNet, ViaSat Exede, Inmarsat Global Xpress, O3b
- Four providers affiliated with established satellite operators (DTH, FSS, or MSS)
- 50% revenue growth over 5 years
- Subscribers grew 11% per year on average, tracking revenue growth





# Case Study: Earth Observation (EO) Services

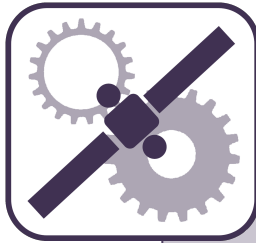


- For many years, global EO services were offered by small number of operators
  - Typically founded and financed by space industry with the objective to provide high resolution imagery
  - Medium to large satellites with on-board data processing and advanced, custom-designed payloads
  - Governments as primary customers
- New competitors and new partnerships have recently emerged
  - Typically founded and financed by IT/analytics/tech sector to provide web-accessible, frequently updated imagery
  - Smaller satellites, with lower costs of manufacture, launch, and operation, supplemented with sophisticated ground-based data analytics
  - Customer base is developing
  - Planet Labs acquired BlackBridge satellites and data library; UrtheCast purchased Deimos satellites and data
  - DigitalGlobe recently entered a joint venture with Saudi Arabia-based TAQNIA for a small constellation
- Investment driven by interest in business intelligence products from satellite imagery
  - 2015 a record-setting year with investment in start-up space ventures of \$2.3B
  - Several EO firms (at right) received venture capital investment in 2015: BlackSky Global, GeoOptics, Hera, OmniEarth, Planet Labs, Satellogic, Spire Global

			High Resolution (<1m)	High revisit time (<1dy)	Sensor Description	System or Constellation Size	Satellite Mass (kg)
Large Sats	Operational						
	<b>Airbus D&amp;S</b>	•			Optical and radar	4	1,000
	<b>DigitalGlobe</b>	•	•		Optical	5	2,800
	<b>DMCii</b>	•			Optical	6	450
	<b>ImageSat</b>	•			Optical	3	350
	<b>MDA</b>				Radar	4	1,300
Small Satellites (<200 kg)	<b>UrtheCast</b>	•	•		Opt & rad (planned), video	24	1,400
	<b>Aquila Space</b>	•	•		Optical and radar	30	6
	<b>BlackBridge</b>	•	•		Optical	5	150
	<b>BlackSky Global</b>		•		Optical	60	50
	<b>DigitalGlobe/TAQNIA</b>		•		Optical	6	TBD
	<b>XpressSAR</b>	•			Radar	4	TBD
	<b>GeoOptics</b>		•		Radio occultation	25	100
	<b>Hera</b>		•		Optical	48	24
	<b>Iceye</b>	•	•		Radar	50	<100
	<b>OmniEarth</b>		•		Optical	15	110
	<b>PlanetiQ</b>	•	•		Radio occultation	12	22
	<b>Planet Labs</b>		•		Optical	100	3
	<b>Satellogic</b>	•	•		Optical	300	35
	<b>Spire Global</b>		•		Radio occultation	50	3
	<b>Terra Bella</b>	•	•		Optical and video	24	120

Note: Criteria for inclusion are satellites on orbit, announced funding, signed launch contract/agreement, or NOAA license

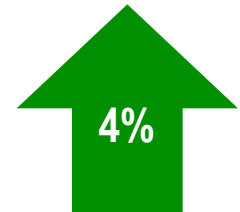
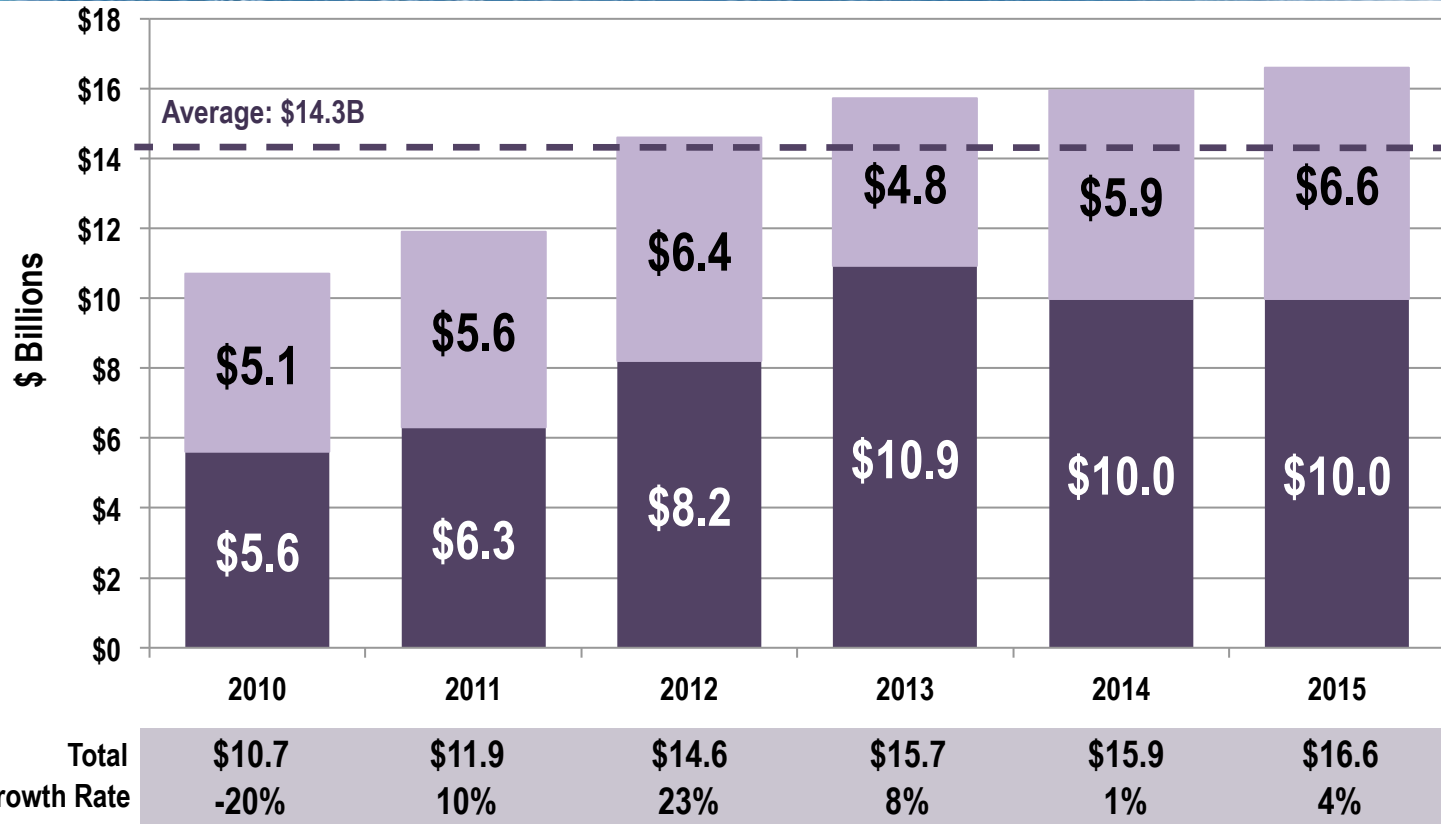
# Satellite Industry Segments



## Satellite Manufacturing



# Satellite Manufacturing Revenues



2014 – 2015  
Global  
Growth

Non-U.S.  
United States

- Worldwide 2015 revenues totaled \$16.6 billion
- U.S. share of global revenues was 60%, a decrease from 63% in 2014

NOTE: Satellite manufacturing revenues are recorded in the year the launch was conducted. Do not include satellites built by governments or universities. Data based on unclassified sources.

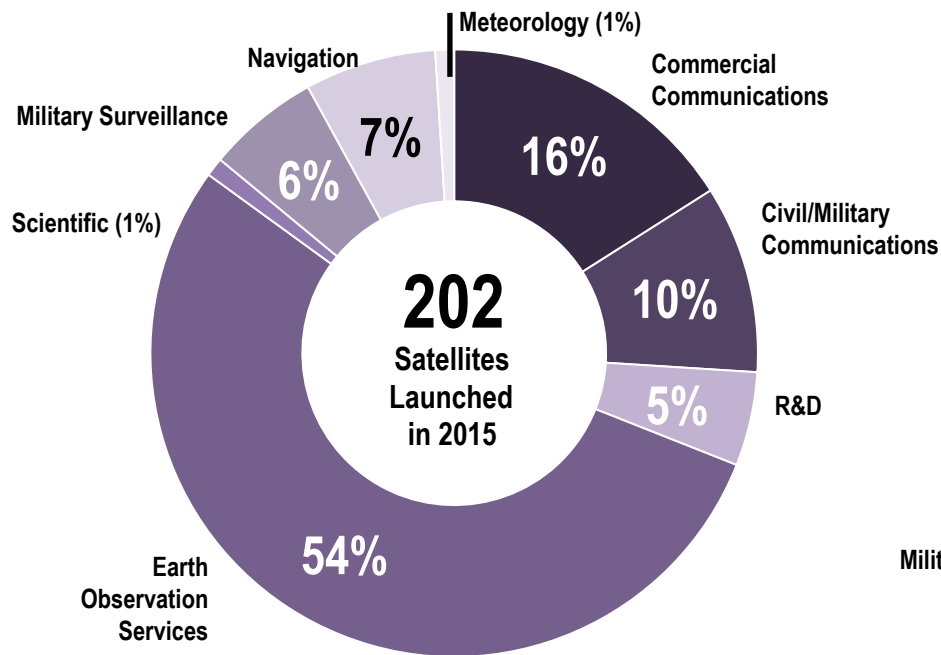




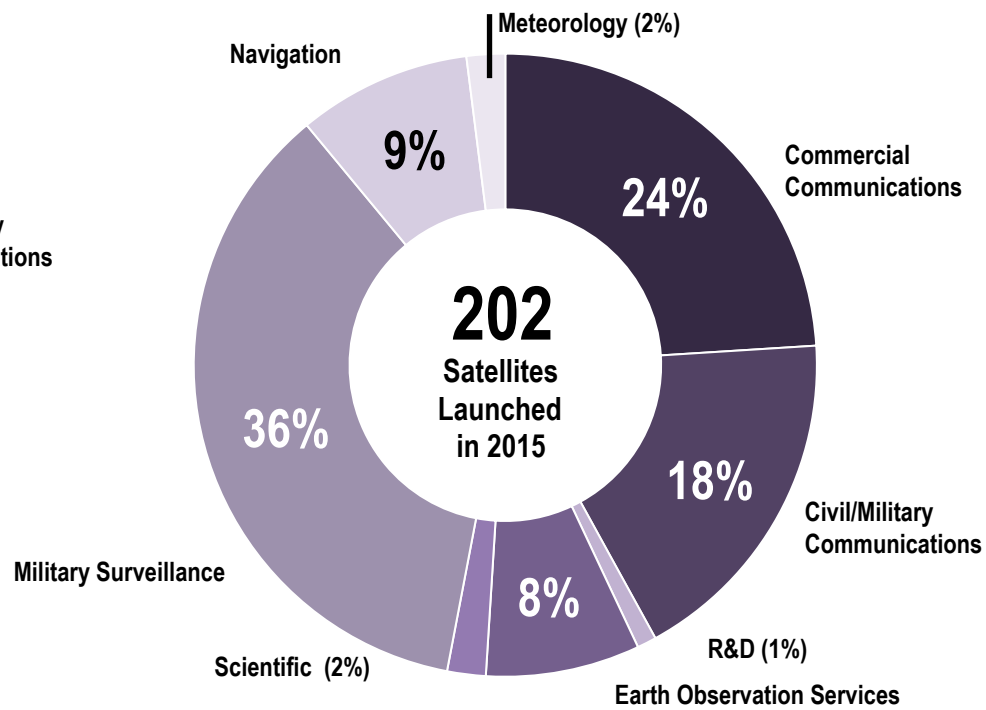
# Satellite Manufacturing Findings



- 202 satellites launched in 2015, about the same as in 2014
- 108 CubeSats launched, representing 53% of total
- Most CubeSats were commercial Earth observation
- Communications satellites represented 42% of total revenues
- Military surveillance satellites accounted for 36% of 2015 revenues, compared to 38% in 2014
- CubeSats represent less than 1% of total value



Number of Spacecraft Launched  
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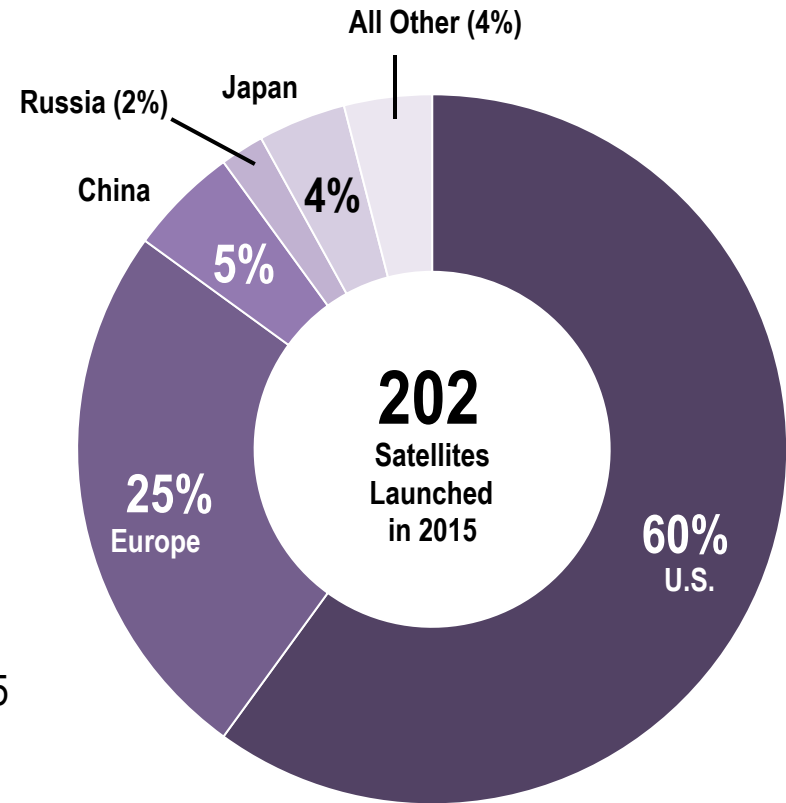
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# U.S. Satellite Manufacturing Findings



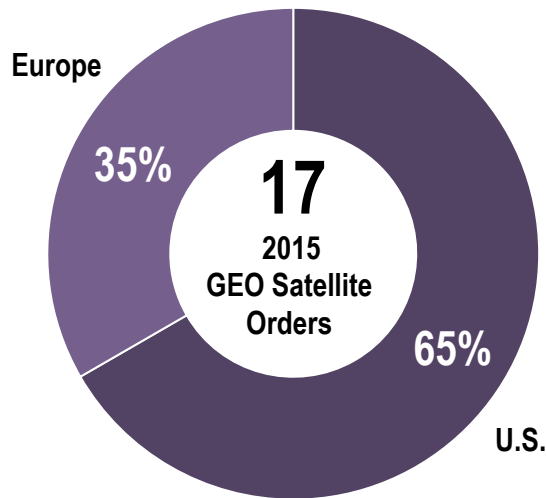
- U.S. satellite manufacturing revenues stayed flat, with commercial sector slightly higher and government sector slightly lower
- 73% of U.S. revenues were from U.S. government contracts
- Excluding CubeSats, U.S. firms built 32% of satellites launched in 2015 and earned 60% of global satellite manufacturing revenues
  - » Including CubeSats, U.S. firms built about 64% of satellites launched in 2015 and earned 60% of revenues
  - » 89 of the 119 U.S.-built satellites launched in 2015 were CubeSats



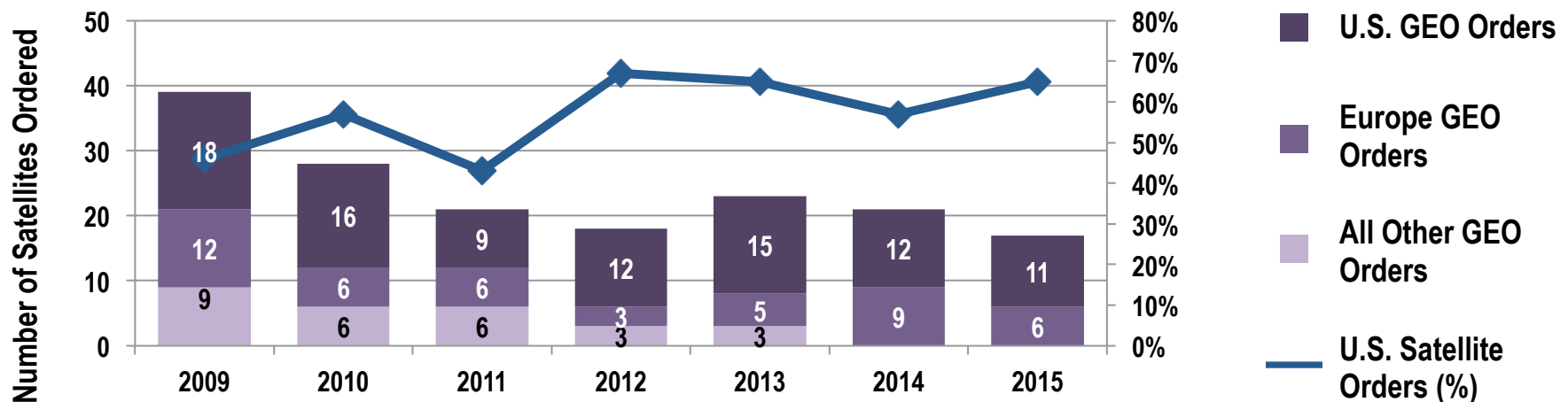
Value of Spacecraft Launched by Country/Region of Manufacturer (2015)



# Future Indicator: Commercial Satellite Manufacturing Orders



- Orders for 17 commercial GEO satellites announced in 2015
- 11 orders won by U.S. manufacturers
- 65% share of orders won by U.S. firms, up from 57% in 2014





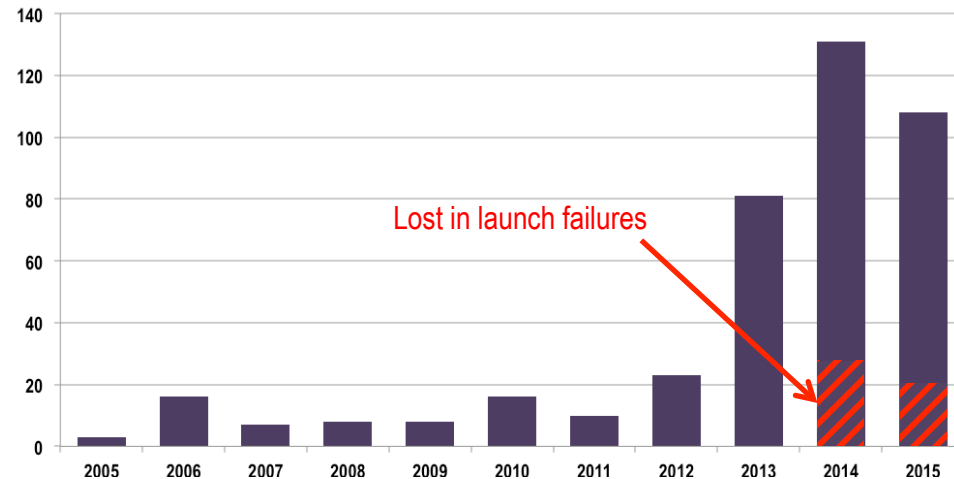


# Case Study: Very Small Satellites



- Continued and growing interest in inexpensive very small satellites
- CubeSats are an established “kit” form of very small satellite in use for academic, government, and, increasingly, commercial purposes
  - 108 CubeSats launched in 2015, down from 130 in 2014, with 61 sent into orbit via ISS (8 CubeSats lost in Falcon 9 failure in June)
  - 61 commercial CubeSats launched in 2015 for Earth observation services and communications, down from 101 in 2014. The majority (48) built and operated by Planet Labs
  - Total expenditure to build all CubeSats since 2005 estimated at less than \$100M
  - Growing concern regarding collisions with CubeSats – NASA first major operator to say it has moved satellites to avoid CubeSats
- Commercial constellations using customized very small satellites (under 200 kg) are in development
  - Earth Observation: One announced constellation; 2 of 24 satellites launched
  - Telecommunication: at least three announced LEO systems, ranging from hundreds to several thousand satellites per constellation; zero satellites launched to date

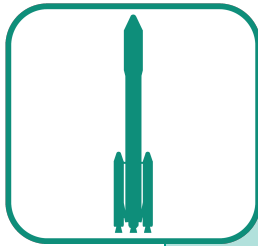
Number of CubeSats Launched by Year (2005-2015)



## CubeSat Deployment Mechanisms

- CubeSats are popular because they can be deployed using standardized equipment
- Launch vehicle deployments:
  - Poly-Picosatellite Orbital Deployer (P-POD) (U.S.)
  - Tokyo Picosatellite Orbital Deployer (Japan/Canada)
  - CUTE Separation System (Japan)
  - eXperimental Push Out Deployer (X-POD) (Canada)
  - ISIS Payload Orbital Dispenser (ISIPOD) (Netherlands)
  - JAXA-Picosatellite Orbital Deployer (J-POD) (Japan)
  - Naval Postgraduate School CubeSat Launcher (NPSCuL) (U.S.)
  - Nanosatellite Launch Adapter System (NLAS)
- ISS deployments:
  - NanoRacks CubeSat Deployer (U.S.) aboard Kibo module
- Standards for CubeSat deployment mechanisms have been updated to accommodate larger designs like 6U, 12U, and 27U, configurations being pursued by the U.S. government and others

# Satellite Industry Segments

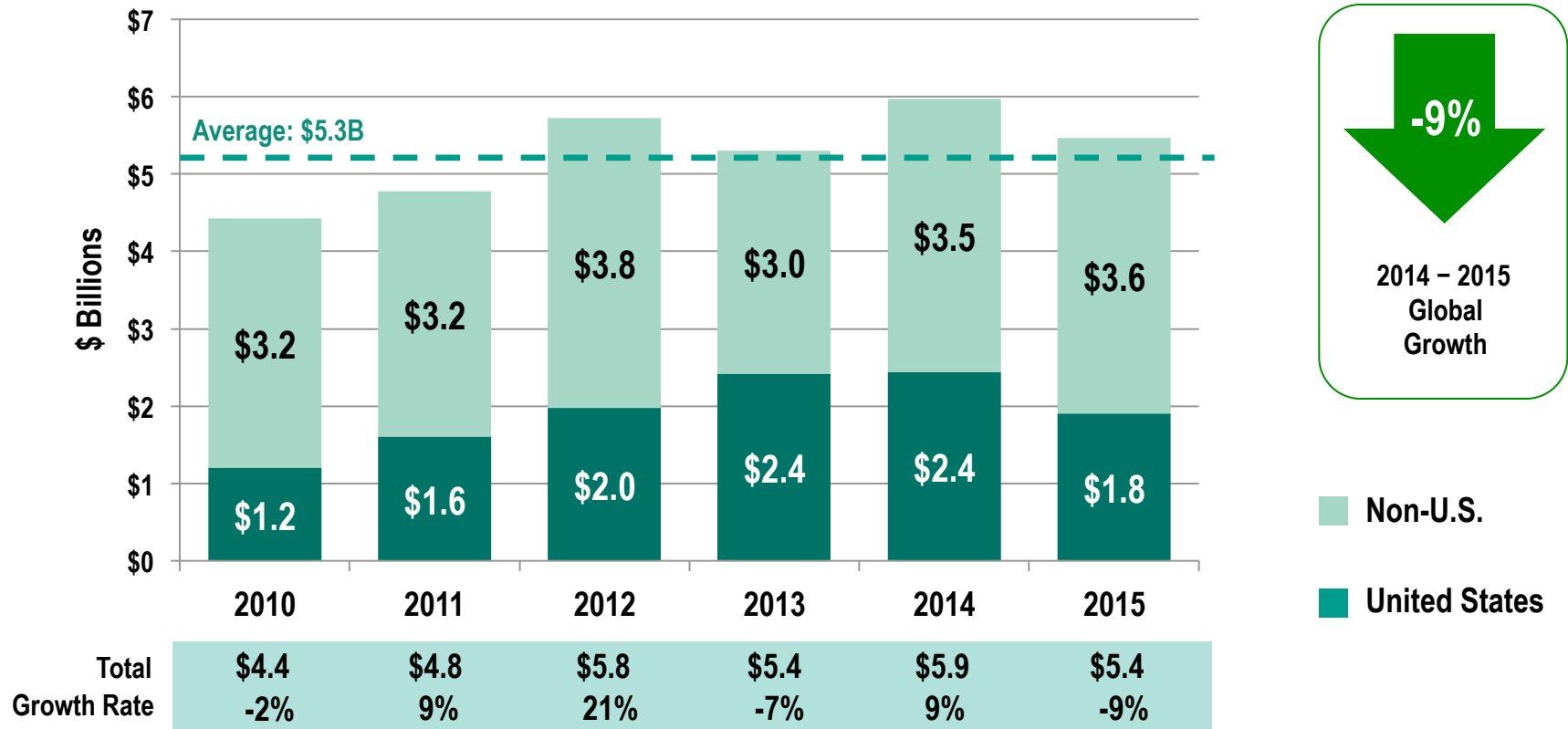


## **Launch Industry**

- Launch Services
- Launch Vehicles



# Satellite Launch Industry Revenues



- \$5.4B global revenues in 2015 from commercially-procured satellite launches
- U.S. share of global launch revenues decreased from 41% in 2014 to 34% in 2015

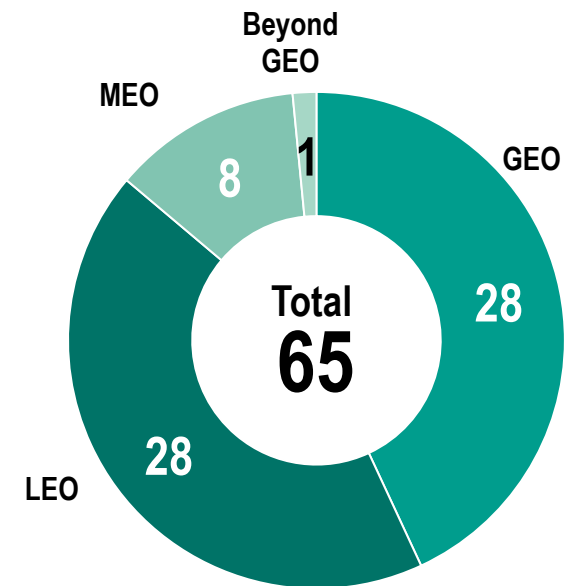




# Satellite Launch Industry Findings



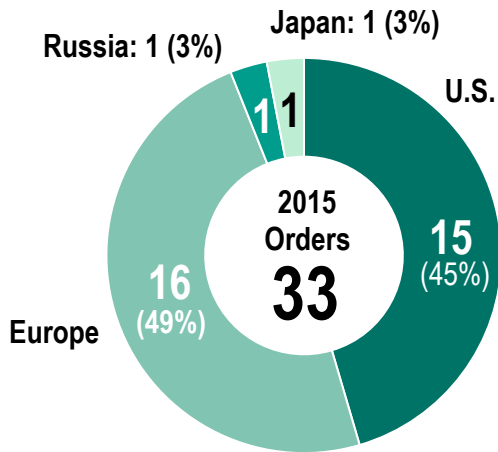
- Worldwide commercially-procured launches in 2015 (65) down from 2014 (73)
- Revenues decreased by about 9% globally in 2015, compared with a 9% increase in 2014
- Providers in Europe, China, and India launched more in 2015
  - » 11 Arianespace launches in 2015 versus 10 in 2014
  - » 19 Chinese launches in 2015 versus 16 in 2014
  - » 2 Antrix (India) in 2015, versus 1 in 2014
- U.S. and Russian providers saw delays following launch failures
  - » Falcon 9 in June
  - » Proton M in May
- Government customers worldwide remained the launch revenue driver, at 69%, slightly lower than in 2014 (72%)
- By country, the U.S. had the largest share of commercially-procured launch revenues (35%), with 29% of global revenues from launching U.S. government satellites



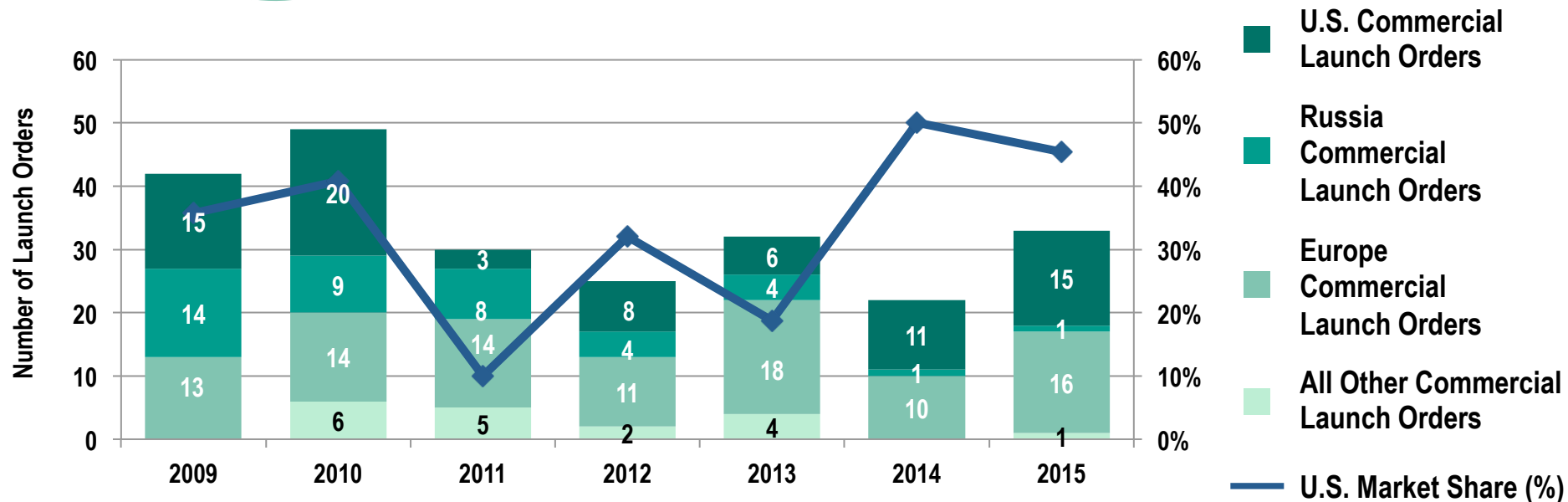
2015 Commercially-Procured  
Satellite Launches by Orbit



# Future Indicator: Commercial Satellite Launch Orders



- 33 launch orders placed in 2015, up from 22 in 2014
- 15 (45%) satellite launch orders won by U.S. companies, up 36% from 2014
- U.S. market share dropped from 50% in 2014 to 45% mainly because Arianespace experienced a 60% increase in orders from 2014 (10) to 2015 (16)



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NOTE: A single launch contract may cover the launch of more than one satellite (each described as an "order").

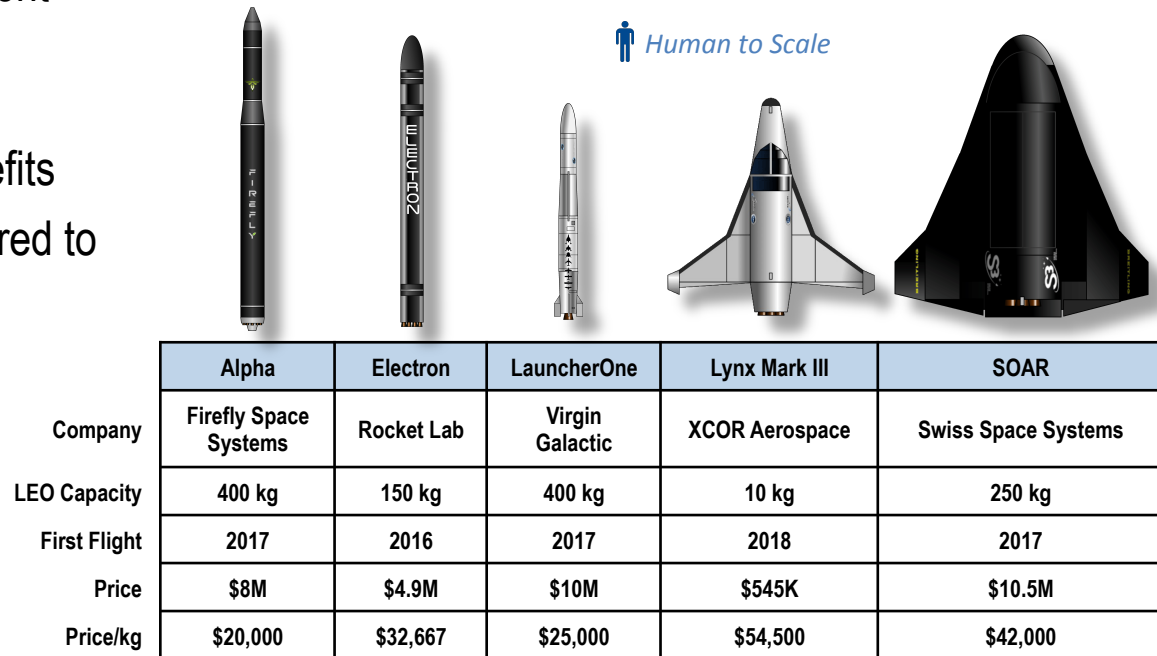


# Case Study: Very Small Launch Vehicles



- At least 17 very small (LEO capacity  $\leq 500$  kg) launch vehicles under development worldwide
- Provides schedule control for small payloads and other operational benefits
- Price per kg is relatively high compared to large vehicles
- Not all are funded; uncertainty and development risk

## Very Small Launch Vehicles with Announced Investment



*Other systems under development not included in the chart: Arca Space Corp. (Haas 2C), Celestia Aerospace (Arrow), CubeCab (Cab-1A), Exos (SARGE), Generation Orbit (GOLauncher-2), InterOrbital Systems (NEPTUNE), Lin Industrial (Taymyr), Mishaal Aerospace (M-OV), Open Space Orbital (Neutrino), Zero2Infinity (Blooster)*

*Notes: ALASA program on hiatus. Future of Super Strypi uncertain following 2015 launch failure.*



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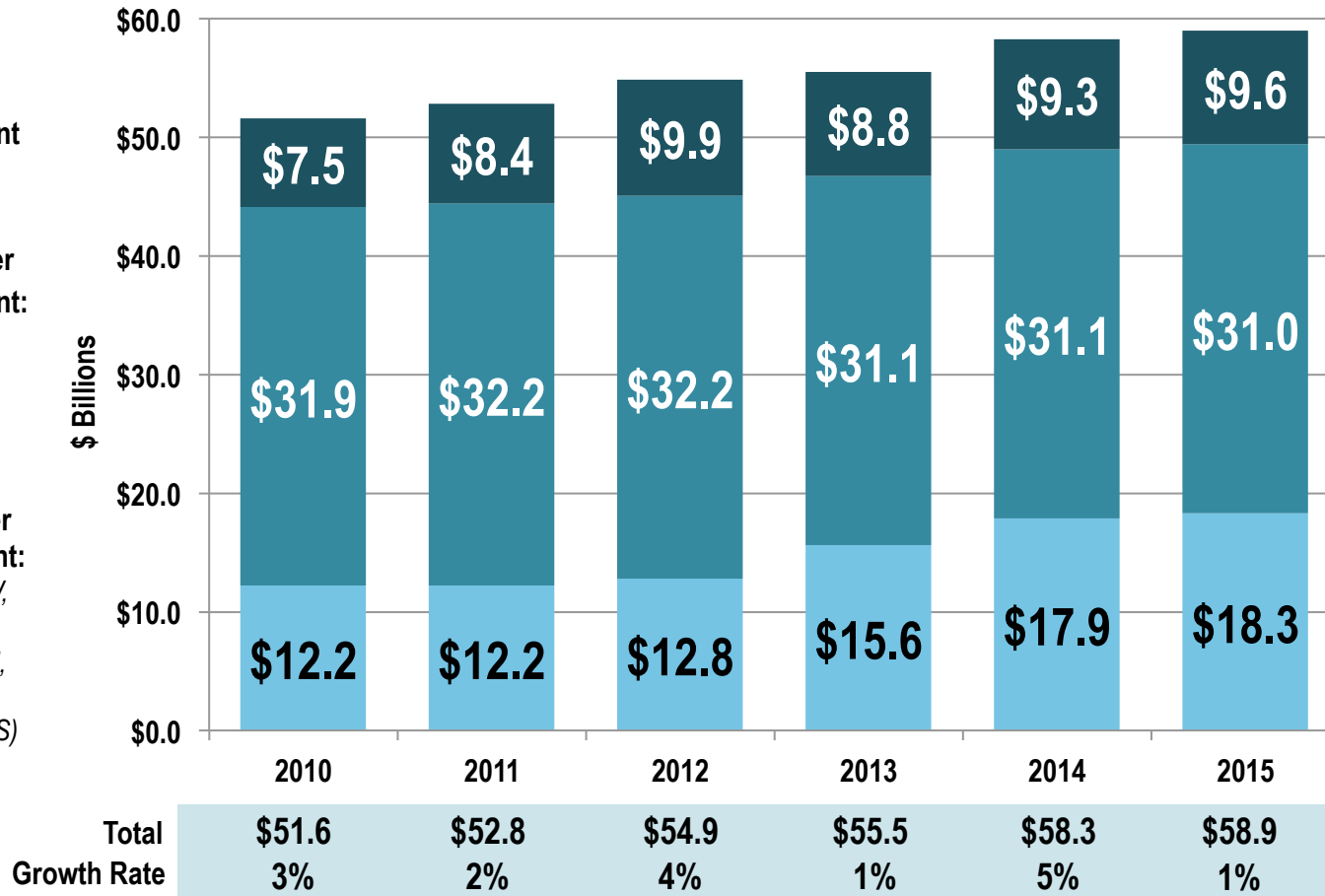


## Ground Equipment

- Network Equipment
  - » Gateways
  - » Control stations
  - » Very Small Aperture Terminals (VSATs)
- Consumer Equipment
  - » Satellite TV dishes
  - » Satellite radio equipment
  - » Satellite broadband dishes
  - » Satellite phones and mobile satellite terminals
  - » Satellite navigation stand-alone hardware



# Global Satellite Ground Equipment Revenues



**1%**

2014 – 2015  
Global  
Growth

The U.S. share of  
ground equipment  
revenue in 2014  
was

**41%**

*Network Equipment* — gateways, network operations centers (NOCs), satellite news gathering (SNG) equipment, flyaway antennas, very small aperture terminal (VSAT) equipment

*Consumer Equipment* — Non-GNSS: satellite TV, radio, and broadband equipment, mobile satellite terminals. GNSS: stand-alone satellite navigation devices and in-vehicle services. Excludes chipsets in devices (e.g., smartphones) whose primary use is not satellite navigation



# Ground Equipment Findings



- Total satellite ground equipment revenues increased 1% in 2015
- Network equipment revenues increased 3%
- Consumer equipment for satellite navigation (or GNSS, for global navigation satellite system) is 53% of overall ground equipment revenue, similar to 2014
  - » Manufacturers report stagnant revenue, reflecting migration away from stand-alone devices toward embedded chipsets
  - » See case study on following page
- Consumer equipment for satellite TV, radio, broadband, and mobile satellite terminals (non-GNSS) revenues grew 2% with more terminals in service across all segments. Satellite TV terminals increased less than in 2014, contributing to slower total growth

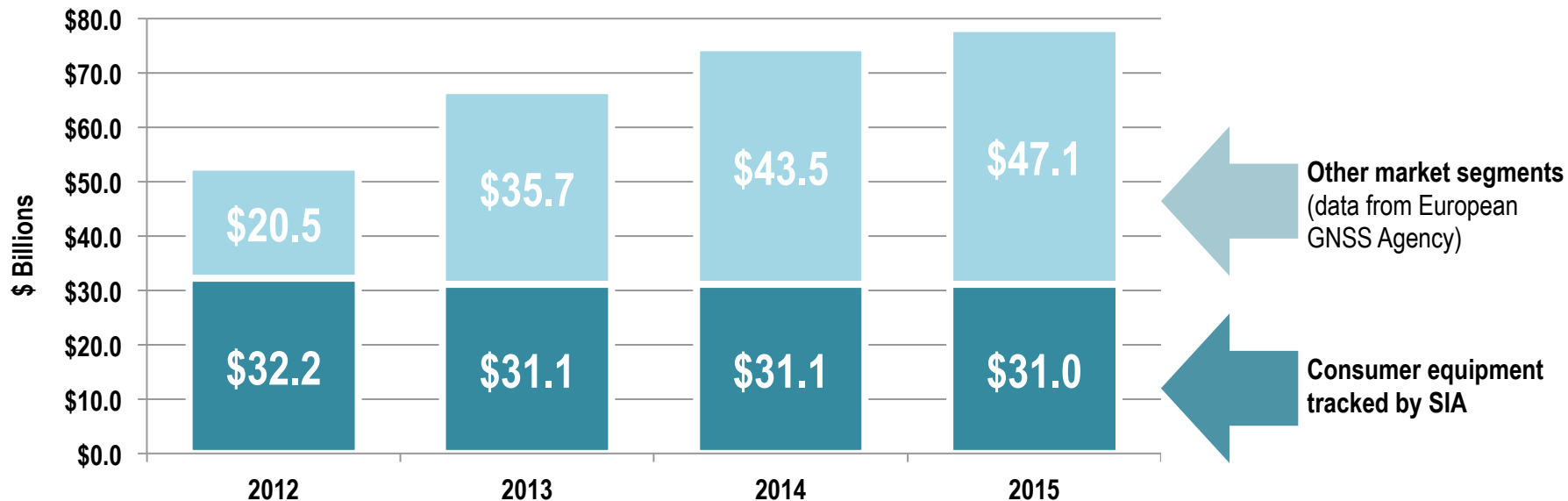




# Case Study: Market for Satellite Navigation



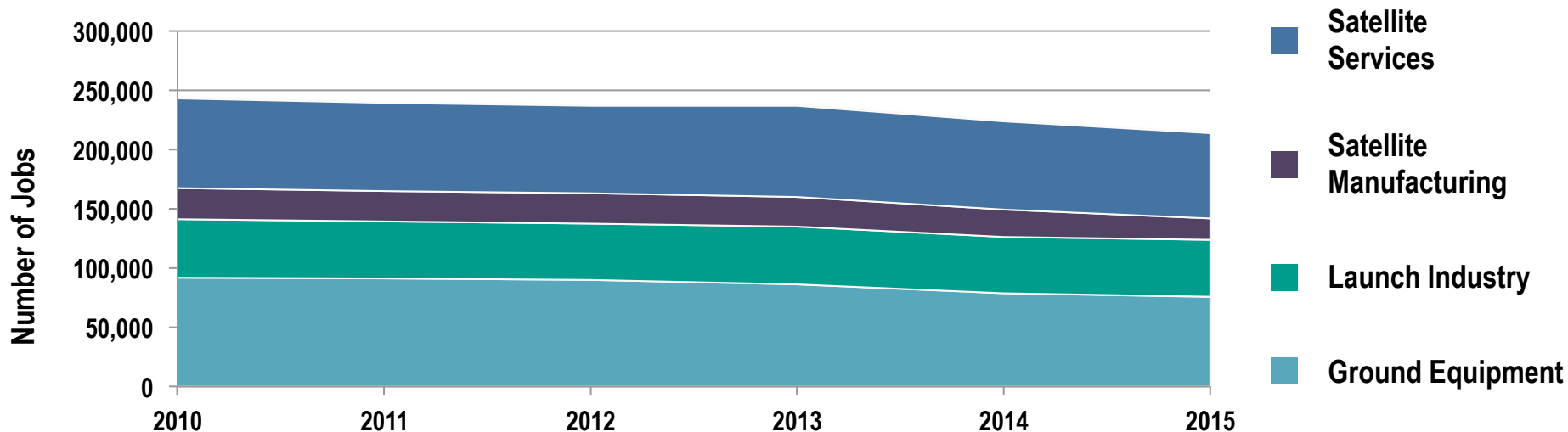
- GNSS market includes
  - » Consumer equipment tracked by SIA: stand-alone units and in-vehicle systems
  - » Other market segments: chipsets supporting location-based services in mobile devices; traffic information systems; GNSS avionics in aircraft, maritime, surveying, and rail (not included in SIA indicators)
- Chart below shows SIA data combined with data on other GNSS market segments
  - » Consumer equipment revenue is flat; other market segments show growth
  - » Data source for other market segments: European Global Navigation Satellite Systems Agency, which tracks global GNSS market segments in detail



# 2015 U.S. Employment Estimates (Private Sector Employment Only)



- As of 2015, satellite industry employment in the U.S. decreased by 9,940 jobs (-4% from year end 2014)
- Two satellite industry segments losing fewer jobs, one adding jobs, and one loses a significant number of jobs (compared to 2014)
  - » Satellite services employment decreased by 2,074 jobs from 2014, or -3%
  - » Satellite manufacturing employment decreased by 5,518 jobs from 2014, or -24%
  - » Launch industry employment increased by 620 jobs from 2014, or 1%
  - » Ground equipment employment decreased by 2,968 jobs from 2014, or -4%



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Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS).

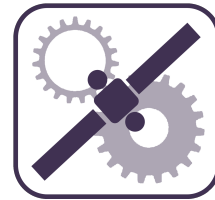
# Summary: Top-Level Global Satellite Industry Findings



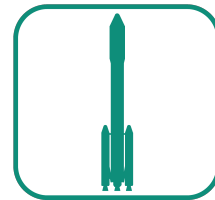
- Satellite industry revenue was \$208.3 billion in 2015
  - » Growth of 3% worldwide in 2015
  - » Decrease from 4% growth rate in 2014
- Three of four satellite industry segments surveyed posted growth
  - » **Satellite services**, the largest segment, grew by 4% - consumer services continues to be a key driver for the overall satellite industry



- » **Satellite manufacturing** revenues grew by 4%, faster growth than 2014, due to larger number of high value government satellites launched in 2015



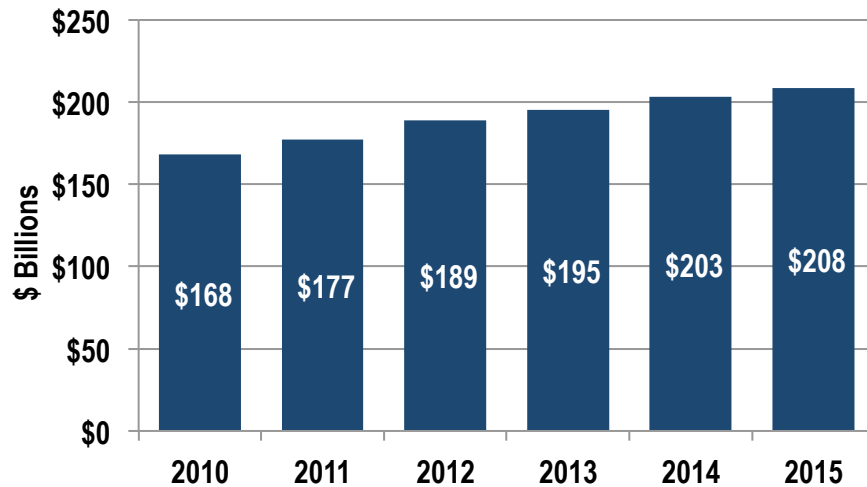
- » **Launch industry** revenues decreased 9% in 2015, reflecting fewer commercially procured launches



- » **Ground equipment** revenues increased 1% in 2015, with growth in consumer and network equipment, and consumer GNSS remaining flat



Global Satellite Industry Revenue (\$ Billions)



2014 – 2015 Global Growth

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