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State of eVTOL Q3 2026

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Interview requests are typically returned within one business day. The founder is av
checks, expert commentary on certification, vertiport rollouts, and demand-signal d
bookings.

Executive summary — three things that moved

1. Joby Aviation received the first US eVTOL type certificate from the FAA on June 18, 2026 — the fourth worldwide and the first outside China. Dubai commercial launch preparations entered final vertiport commissioning with a target of late Q4 2026.

2. FAA issued the first Part 135 air carrier certificate explicitly covering powered-lift operations, clearing the regulatory path for commercial eVTOL flights in the United States. All six eIPP cohort cities now have active demonstration authority.

3. evtol.travel tracked 19,600+ verified route-interest signups across 64 cities in Q3, a 58% QoQ growth rate. Five cities — Dubai, NYC, LA, Miami, and Singapore — now exceed the 1,000-passenger launch-ready threshold.

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Headline metrics

ACTIVE EVTOL TYPE CERTIFICATES WORLDWIDE

4

+1 vs Q2 2026

EHang EH216-S (CAAC, 2023), AutoFlight Prosperity I (CAAC, 2024), Volocopter VoloCity (EASA, pending final),…

VERIFIED ROUTE-INTEREST SIGNUPS

19,600+

+58% QoQ

Across 64 cities (+13 cities vs Q2). Top corridor: JFK !" Manhattan.

VERTIPORTS TRACKED GLOBALLY

123

+25 net new this quarter

Across 27 countries (+4 new). United States (41), United Arab Emirates (12), and Japan (8) lead.

US PART 135 POWERED-LIFT AIR CARRIER CERTIFICATES

1

+1 (first ever)

Joby Aviation received the first Part 135 certificate covering powered-lift. Archer's application is in review.

Demand snapshot — top 20 cities

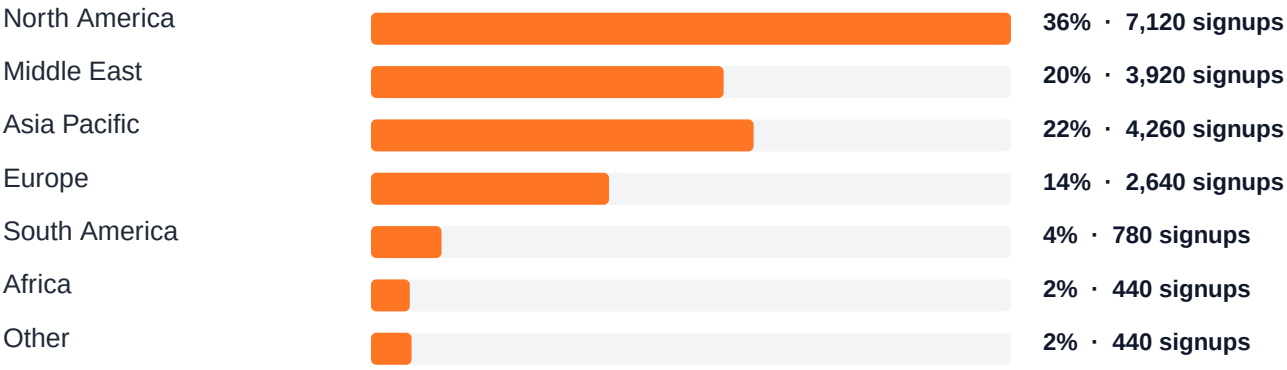
Verified route-interest signups across evtol.travel — by city, rar either the origin or destination of a desired route.

#	CITY	COUNTRY	SIGNUPS	MoM
1	**Dubai**	UAE	2,680	+35%
2	**New York**	USA	2,040	+44%
3	**Los Angeles**	USA	1,520	+41%
4	**Miami**	USA	1,180	+47%
5	**Singapore**	Singapore	1,020	+52%
6	**London**	UK	890	+33%
7	**Tokyo**	Japan	780	+49%
8	**Abu Dhabi**	UAE	680	+38%
9	**Dallas**	USA	640	+45%
10	**Houston**	USA	620	+39%
11	**Tampa**	USA	560	+43%
12	**Seoul**	South Korea	510	+56%
13	**Paris**	France	460	+35%
14	**Sao Paulo**	Brazil	410	+40%
15	**Sydney**	Australia	360	+42%
16	**Riyadh**	Saudi Arabia	340	+44%
17	**Shenzhen**	China	320	+31%
18	**Mumbai**	India	310	+47%
19	**Mexico City**	Mexico	280	+37%

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20	**Bangkok**	Thailand	260	+41%

Regional breakdown



Certification tracker — what moved this quarter

Quarter-over-quarter movement on ea
stage framework documented in the li

Joby Aviation · Joby S4

Regulator: FAA

85% !’ 100% (+15 pts)

FAA type certificate issued June 18, 2026 — first US eVTOL type cert and fourth worldwide. Part 135 air carrier certificat…

Archer Aviation · Midnight

Regulator: FAA

65% !’ 78% (+13 pts)

Conformity inspections progressing across all test articles. FAA type cert targeted for Q4 2026. Part 135 application filed.

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BETA Technologies · ALIA CX300

Regulator: FAA

52% !’ 58% (+6 pts)

Cargo-first strategy accelerating under UPS partnership. Expanded eIPP demo routes to include Burlington–Albany…

Eve Air Mobility · Eve eVTOL

Regulator: FAA / ANAC

42% !’ 50% (+8 pts)

First full-scale prototype completed maiden flight at Gavião Peixoto, Brazil. 2,900+ global commitments. Rio de Janeiro…

EHang · EH216-S

Regulator: CAAC

100% !’ 100% (no change)

Commercial operations active in Guangzhou, Hefei, and Shenzhen. Indonesia AOC application filed. Saudi Arabia demo…

AutoFlight · Prosperity I

Regulator: CAAC

100% !’ 100% (no change)

EASA validation review formally accepted. Cross-border Shenzhen–Hong Kong demo corridor announced with target first…

Volocopter · VoloCity

Regulator: EASA

15% !’ 22% (+7 pts)

Flight testing resumed under Diamond Aircraft Group ownership. EU regulatory sandbox providing streamlined testing…

Vertical Aerospace · VX4

Regulator: EASA / CAA

30% !’ 38% (+8 pts)

First piloted VX4 flight completed at Cotswold Airport. Rolls-Royce electric motor integration on track. 1,400+ pre-orders…

Vertiport build-out

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123 vertiports tracked — 25 added net new this quarter. Top 10 countries by total below.

COUNTRY	TRACKED	NEW Q3 2026
United States	41	**+9**
United Arab Emirates	12	**+3**
Japan	8	**+3**
China	7	**+1**
India	6	**+2**
Spain	5	**+1**
South Korea	5	**+2**
Germany	4	**+1**
United Kingdom	4	**+2**
Brazil	3	**+1**

Lead vertiport operators

- Skyports Infrastructure
- Atlantic Aviation
- Signature Aviation Vertiports
- Ferrovial Vertiports
- Joby Aviation (integrated vertiport-operator model)

Operator activity log

Curated, source-verified list of the most consequential op

JUN 18, 2026

Joby Aviation receives FAA type certificate for S4

First US eVTOL type certificate issued by the FAA, fourth worldwide. Marks the culmination of a multi-year certification campaign.

Operators: Joby Aviation

JUN 12, 2026

FAA issues first Part 135 air carrier certificate for powered-lift

Joby Aviation granted the first Part 135 certificate that explicitly covers powered-lift commercial operations in the US.

Operators: Joby Aviation, FAA

JUN 4, 2026

Dubai RTA + Joby commission first two commercial vertiports

Vertiports at DXB Terminal 1 and Downtown Dubai completed commissioning. Palm Jumeirah and Marina sites in final construction.

Operators: Joby Aviation, Skyports Infrastructure, RTA Dubai

MAY 22, 2026

Archer files Part 135 application with FAA

Archer submitted its air carrier certificate application, targeting commercial launch in eIPP cities upon type cert receipt.

Operators: Archer Aviation

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MAY 14, 2026

Eve Air Mobility completes maiden flight of full-scale prototype

Full-scale Eve eVTOL prototype achieved first flight at Embraer's Gavião Peixoto facility in São Paulo state, Brazil.

Operators: Eve Air Mobility

MAY 8, 2026

All six US eIPP cohort cities have active demo authority

Tampa Bay became the sixth and final eIPP cohort city to receive demonstration authority. All cohort cities now operational.

Operators: FAA, Joby Aviation, Archer Aviation, BETA Technologies

APR 28, 2026

Vertical Aerospace completes first piloted VX4 flight

First piloted flight of the VX4 eVTOL aircraft at Cotswold Airport, UK. Rolls-Royce electric propulsion system performed nominally.

Operators: Vertical Aerospace

APR 20, 2026

Singapore CAAS approves eVTOL trial corridors for 2027

Three trial corridors approved connecting Changi, Marina Bay, and Sentosa. Formal operator selection process opens in Q4 2026.

Operators: CAAS Singapore, Volocopter, Eve Air Mobility

What we're watching next quarter

Dubai commercial launch

With vertiport commissioning underway and Joby holding both type cert and Part 135, Dubai is positioned for the world's first commercial eVTOL passenger service in Q4 2026.

Archer type certificate

Archer's conformity testing is progressing rapidly with 78% completion. If the pace holds, the FAA could issue the second US eVTOL type certificate in late Q4 2026 or early Q1 2027.

First US commercial ticket sale

With Joby holding both type cert and Part 135, the first commercial eVTOL ticket sale in the United States could occur in Q4 2026 — likely in the NYC or LA eIPP corridor.

Asia Pacific overtakes Europe

Asia Pacific demand grew faster than Europe for the third consecutive quarter. At current trajectory, APAC will become the second-largest demand region by Q4 2026, behind only North America.

LA28 Olympics infrastructure build-out

Archer + United Airlines LA28 network buildout enters construction phase. Six vertiport sites need to be operational by July 2028 — Q4 2026 will show whether the timeline is realistic.

Methodology

DEMAND SIGNALS

Verified route-interest signups submitted via evtol.travel route-interest forms (/book, /fly/[city], country hub pages). De-duplicated by email + origin/destination pair. Bot-filtered at form submission time. Counts reflect cumulative signups attributed to a city as either origin or destination across all signup forms during the quarter.

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VERTIPORT DATA	**Aggregated from operator press releases, municipal planning documents, and Skyports / Atlantic / Signature / Ferrovial / Joby development pipelines. Excludes pure heliport conversions where no eVTOL-specific infrastructure has been announced.**
OPERATOR ACTIVITY	**Curated from the evtol.travel newsroom (https://evtol.travel/blogs) and verified against original-source company communications.**
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