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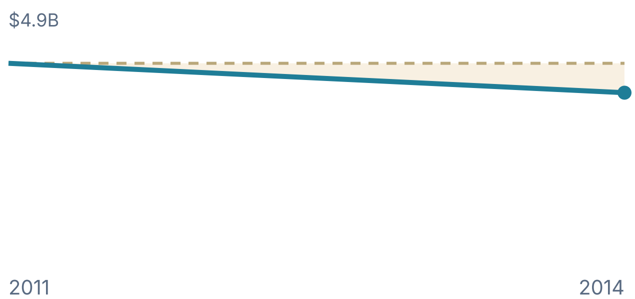
AIM-9X Block II Sidewinder

AIM-9X · Navy · Raytheon

-14% $4.2B (2011) → $3.6B (2014)



Dashed = promised baseline · solid = actual estimate · shaded = growth

BASELINE
$4.2B (2011)

CURRENT ESTIMATE
$3.6B (2014)

COST GROWTH
−14%

COST BASIS
BY

UNITS
6000 → 6000

QUANTITY CHANGE
0%

UNIT-COST CHANGE
−14%

SCHEDULE SLIP
0 yr

QUANTITY EFFECT
+$0M

UNIT-COST EFFECT
−$608M

CONFIDENCE
high · reconciled

IOC
2015 (planned) → 2015

ASSESSMENT

Same 6,000 missiles, 14% less money than baselined — and still 19% under baseline four years later. Development more than doubled (testing was suspended for a year over performance issues); cheaper production more than paid for it.

SOURCE

GAO-15-342SP, AIM-9X Block II profile p.61 — constant FY2015 $M: first full estimate 12/2011 $4,231.3M / 6,000 missiles vs 08/2014 $3,622.9M / 6,000; R&D +107.8%, procurement −19.8%. GAO-19-336SP App. V p.203: still −19.5% vs first full at Dec 2017 (FY2019$).