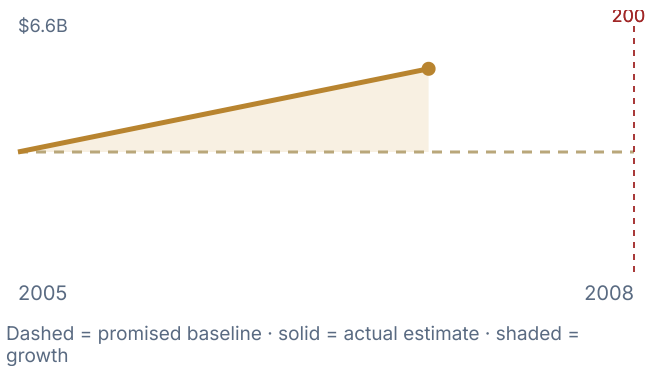


ARH-70 Arapaho

ARH-70 · Army · Bell CANCELLED

+68% \$3.4B (2005) → \$5.7B (2007)



BASELINE
\$3.4B (2005)
COST GROWTH
+68%
UNITS
368 → 512
UNIT-COST CHANGE
+21%
QUANTITY EFFECT
+\$1.3B
CONFIDENCE
high · reconciled

CURRENT ESTIMATE
\$5.7B (2007)
COST BASIS
BY
QUANTITY CHANGE
+39%
SCHEDULE SLIP
-3 yr
UNIT-COST EFFECT
+\$987M
IOC
2011 (planned) → Cancelled 2008

ASSESSMENT

An off-the-shelf helicopter that stopped being off-the-shelf: unit cost rose 21% even as the planned buy grew 39%, and three years after development start the Pentagon shut it down rather than certify the breach — contract terminated, 0 fielded.

DOCUMENTED EVENTS

- 2008** Nunn-McCurdy breach (critical)
- 2008** Not certified — terminated

SOURCE

GAO-08-467SP, ARH profile pp.43-44 — constant FY2008 \$M: first full estimate 07/2005 \$3,407.7M / 368 helicopters vs 08/2007 \$5,728.3M / 512; unit cost +20.8%; cycle 47 → 72 months. GAO-09-326SP p.152: after a critical Nunn-McCurdy breach (notified Jul 2008), USD(AT&L) declined to certify and DoD ended the program Oct 2008.