CH-53K King Stallion

CH-53K · Navy · Sikorsky (Lockheed Martin)

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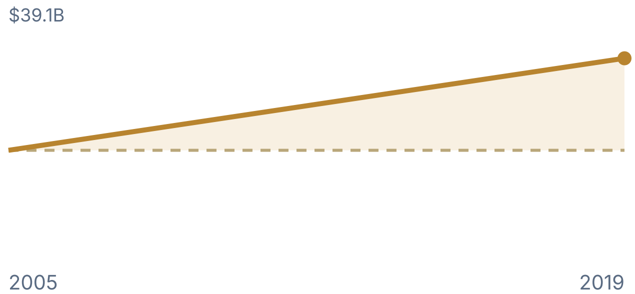

Dashed = promised baseline · solid = actual estimate · shaded = growth

BASELINE
$18.8B (2005)

CURRENT ESTIMATE
$34.0B (2019)

COST GROWTH
+81%

COST BASIS
TY

UNITS
156 → 200

QUANTITY CHANGE
+28%

UNIT-COST CHANGE
+41%

SCHEDULE SLIP
+7 yr

QUANTITY EFFECT
+$5.3B

UNIT-COST EFFECT
+$10.0B

CONFIDENCE
high · reconciled

IOC
2015 (planned FRP) → 2022 (IOC)

ASSESSMENT

+81% (clean then-year, single GAO table). A dual-driver case: quantity rose 156 → 200 AND per-unit cost grew on engine/reliability problems — ~$15B of growth since 2005 inception.

SOURCE

GAO-21-208 (Mar 2021), Table 6 — total acquisition, then-year; corroborated by CH-53K SARs.