

Commercial Suborbital Spacecraft in China

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Background

- Commercial Suborbital Flight
- Max altitude >100km, usually 35-300km
- Provide suborbital flight service
- For commercial profit
- Different from government space activities mostly operated by private companies

















Background

- Remarkable points
- ✓ High Risk
- ✓ Huge investment
- ✓ Attractive returns or reward











 Commercial suborbital flight industry is becoming more and more popular recently

Company	SRLV	Seats	Locker equivalents	Cargo (Kg)	Price	Operational date
UP	SpaceLoft XL		0.5	36	\$360k/launch	2006
Aerospace						
Armadillo	STIG A		1	10		2012
Aerospace	STIG B		2	50	Not announced	2013
	Hyperion	2	12	200	\$120k/seat	2014
XCOR	Lynx Mark I	1	3	120	\$95k/seat	2013
Aerospace	Lynx Mark II	1	3	120	\$95k/seat	2013
	Lynx Mark III	1	28	770	\$95k/seat	2017
Virgin	SpaceShip	6	36	600	\$200k/seat	2014
Galactic	Two					
Masten	Xaero Xogdor		4	25	Not announced	2013
Space Systems						
Blue Origin	New Shepard	3+	5	120	Not announced	Not announced



Typical Suborbital spacecraft



Typical programmes

Multiple Application

Commercial Spaceflight	Basic and Applied Research
Human spaceflight experience for tourism or training	Basic and applied research (Biological, physical, earth science, human research)
Aerospace Technology Test and Demonstration	Media and Public Relations
Aerospace engineering to advance technology maturity, achieve space demonstration	Film and television, media advertising, public relation and outreach, space novelties and memorabilia
Education	
Providing opportunities to K-12 schools, colleges and universities access to and awareness of space	The use of SRLV to launch small payload into orbit
Remote Sensing	Point-to-point Transportation
Acquisition of imagery of earth systems for commercial,	Future transportation of cargo or humans between
civil government or military application	different location

SUBORBITAL Industry at the Edge of Space











• Extremely attractive potential revenue







• Suborbital tourism programme







Blue Origin New Shepard

Virgin Galactic SS2

XCOR Lynx





• Other Commercial Service















• Suborbital Balloon Ride











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• Rocket Powered Suborbital Vehicle

More quickly, low cost, on response into space and back safely, commercial operate











• Rocket Powered Suborbital Vehicle for tourism







Rocket Powered Suborbital Vehicle for tourism



Launch Weight	100t	10t	
Reuse time	>50	>50	
Tourist number	6-20	3-5	
Altitude(km)	120-140	60-80	
Mach Number	7-8	5-6	





- Rocket Powered Suborbital Vehicle for commercial launch
- ✓ As reusable booster
- ✓ Flyback to launch site autonomously
- ✓ Reduce launch cost significantly







Rocket Powered Suborbital Vehicle for commercial

120km			SRLV+ Small upstage	2 SRLV+ Core stage	
		SSO	500kg	1†	
		LEO		2.2†	
		Launch	\$3870k	\$6150k	
		cost		904JUN	
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Spacecraft alternatives in China

- Extended business
- Suborbital tourism
- sky diving
- **Tourist driving**
- Suborbital show
- Suborbital culture garden
- Suborbital tourism business base

- Media advertising
- Science test
- Earth observation

Remote sensing

- Suborbital flight training
- Hypersonic test
- Space rescue
- Telecommunication

 Emergence communication
 - Security guarantee











Commercial Suborbital flight

✓ Rapid and low cost into space
 ✓ Suborbital environment research
 ✓ Emergency sensing
 ✓ Low cost scientific research







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