



### **ADVANCED AIR MOBILITY**

Electric aircraft company, Beta Technologies, debuted on the New York Stock Exchange, selling 29.9 million shares at \$34 each and reaching a valuation of \$7.4 billion. The company has developed two electric aircraft models and is also advancing electric aircraft charging infrastructure.

# **AUTOMATED VEHICLES**

Waymo is collaborating with local officials to offer a driverless vehicle service in Las Vegas, Nevada. According to Mayor Shelley Berkley, the service is expected to cover trips along the Strip and throughout the greater Las Vegas area. Organizations, such as Best Buddies and Mothers Against Drunk Driving, have expressed enthusiasm, citing potential benefits for transportation inclusivity and reductions in impaired driving.





## **ELECTRIC VEHICLES**

Electric vehicle (EV) manufacturer Rivian has launched a spinoff company, Mind Robotics, which aims to develop artificial intelligence and robotic solutions to enhance manufacturing operations and efficiency. Rivian is a shareholder in Mind Robotics, which has already raised \$115 million in seed funding. Rivian CEO RJ Scaringe will serve as chair of Mind Robotics' board of directors.

#### **ELECTRIC VEHICLES**

A J.D. Power study found that following the expiration of the federal EV tax credit, EV sales fell 53% between September and October 2025.

However, the study also reports that the share of new-vehicle shoppers "very likely" to consider an EV rose from 21.6% to 24.2%. Additionally, J.D. Power estimates that in 2025, about 62% of EV lessees will purchase a new EV at the end of their lease.





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# TRANSPORTATION TECHNOLOGY

The Washington State Department of Transportation has launched the Truck Parking Information Management System (TPIMS) to help drivers locate truck parking along Interstate 5. Drivers can access real-time and predictive parking availability up to four hours in advance through the Drivewyze or ParkerTruck apps. TPIMS currently aggregates data from 11 truck parking facilities and is expected to include five more by the end of 2025.

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