

Elon Musk Today

The Future Ain't What It Used To Be!

Kazakhstan Superchargers

- **8 days** since Elon Musk committed to building Tesla infrastructure in Kazakhstan in 2019.

"Tesla Superchargers & service centers coming to Kazakhstan this year."

— Elon Musk in a [Tweet](#)

Tesla Insurance

- **49 days** since Elon Musk promised Tesla insurance in about a month.

"It will be much more compelling than anything else out there."

— Elon Musk, quoted by Kirsten Korosec in [TechCrunch](#)

Robotaxi Network

- **51 days** since Elon Musk said there will be a million fully autonomous Tesla robotaxis in a year.

"The fundamental message consumers should be taking today is that it's financially insane to buy anything other than a Tesla. It'll be like owning a horse in three years."

— Elon Musk, quoted by Matthew J. Belvedere in [CNBC](#)

500,000 Teslas a Year

- **59 days** since Elon Musk said Tesla would produce 500,000 vehicles in a year, then reiterated that guidance.

"Tesla will make over 500k cars in next 12 months, but that's a mere 2% of 25M or 0.02% of global vehicle fleet. Car industry slow -> demand >> supply."

— Elon Musk in a [couple tweets](#)

Tesla Profits

- **133 days** since Elon Musk said Tesla would likely be cash flow positive in all quarters going forward.

"I am optimistic about being profitable in Q1 and all quarters going forward."

— Elon Musk, quoted by Graham Rapier in [Business Insider](#)

- **49 days** since Elon Musk reported that Tesla lost \$702.1 million in Q1 2019.

— Tesla earnings call as reported by Lora Kolodny and Dawn Kopecki in [CNBC](#)

Cars Calling Tow Trucks

- **133 days** since Elon Musk promised Teslas would soon be able to automatically call tow trucks if there is an issue.

"The next thing we want to add is if a car detects something wrong - like a flat tire or a drive unit failure - that before the car has even come to a halt, there's a tow truck and service loaner on the way."

— Elon Musk, quoted by Greg Kumparak in [TechCrunch](#)

Flying Car

- **154 days** since Elon Musk said the new Roadster will use rocket technology that will allow it to fly.

"Will use SpaceX cold gas thruster system with ultra high pressure air in a composite over-wrapped pressure vessel in place of the 2 rear seats."

— Elon Musk in a [couple tweets](#)

Magical Brake Pads

- **168 days** since Elon Musk said brake pads on a Tesla would never need to be replaced.

"Vast majority of vehicle motion is returned to the battery, as the electric motors act like a generator in reverse. Brake pads on a Tesla literally never need to be replaced for lifetime of the car."

— Elon Musk in a [Tweet](#)

- **1,114 days** since Elon Musk charged thousands of dollars to replace brake pads on a Tesla.

— As reported by James Ayre in [Clean Technica](#)

Advanced Summon

- **223 days** since Elon Musk said Advanced Summon would be ready in about 6 weeks.

"You'll be able to drive it from your phone remotely like a big RC car if in line of sight."

— Elon Musk in a [Tweet](#)

Service Centers Everywhere

- **237 days** since Elon Musk said Tesla service centers would work to expand to all of North America in 3-6 months.

"Sorry for this foolish oversight. Tesla will aim to cover all regions of NA (not just big cities) within 3 to 6 months. Same goes for all countries within which we officially operate by end of next year."

— Elon Musk in a [Tweet](#)

Teslaquila

- **247 days** since Elon Musk submitted a trademark application for a distilled agave liquor named 'Teslaquila' based on a legally binding intent to use it.

"Teslaquila coming soon..."

— Elon Musk in a [Tweet](#)

Tesla Built Car Carrier

- **261 days** since Elon Musk said Tesla would start producing car carriers due to car carrier shortage.

"Started building our own car carriers this weekend to alleviate load."

— Elon Musk, quoted by Sonam Rai in [Reuters](#)

Base on Mars

- **264 days** since Elon Musk said SpaceX would probably build a base on Mars by 2028.

"Ultimately helping [...] the average citizen to be able to travel to other planets. It's a great thing."

— Elon Musk, quoted by Mike Wall in [Space.com](#)

One Hour Bodyshop

- **269 days** since Elon Musk announced that Tesla's body shop was aiming to repair collisions in under an hour.

"Aiming for same day soon, then under an hour. Goal is for repaired car to be better than before accident. Should always be true if damaged/used parts are correctly replaced with newer parts."

— Elon Musk in a [Tweet](#)

Solar Powered Factory

- **291 days** since Elon Musk promised that the Tesla Gigafactory would be solar powered by the end of 2019.

"Fossil fuel merchants of doubt have been pushing that bs for years. Tesla Gigafactory will be 100% renewable powered (by Tesla Solar) by end of next year."

— Elon Musk in a [Tweet](#)

Dodger Stadium Electric Skates

- **301 days** since Elon Musk said pod-like electric skates going up to 150 miles an hour could soon take fans to Dodgers games.

"Fares are not finalized, but the trip is expected to cost about \$1, and riders would be able to purchase tickets in advance through a mobile app."

— Elon Musk, quoted by Alene Tchekmedyian and Laura J. Nelson in the [Los Angeles Times](#)

420 Funding Secured

- **309 days** since Elon Musk tweeted funding was secured to take Tesla private at \$420 a share.

"Shareholders could either to sell at 420 or hold shares & go private"

— Elon Musk in a [Tweet](#)

Thai Cave Mini-Sub

- **332 days** since Elon Musk said he would rescue children stuck in a cave with a custom built mini-sub.

"You know what, don't bother showing the video. We will make one of the mini-sub/pod going all the way to cave 5 no problemo. Sorry pedo guy, you really did ask for it."

— Elon Musk, quoted by Katie Dowd in [SF Gate](#)

Flint Water Crisis

- **336 days** since Elon Musk decided to fix Flint's lead water crisis.

"Please consider this a commitment that I will fund fixing the water in any house in Flint that has water contamination above FDA levels. No kidding."

— Elon Musk in a [Tweet](#)

Mass Layoffs

- **365 days** since Elon Musk promised employees that there would be no more layoffs.

"We are making this hard decision now so that we never have to do this again."

— Elon Musk, quoted by Fred Lambert in [Electrek](#)

- **125 days** since Elon Musk laid off 1,000 more Tesla employees.

— Additional layoffs reported by Levi Sumagaysay in [Mercury News](#)

Acoustic Signature Triangulation

- **388 days** since Elon Musk announced cell phone rattle detection R&D.

"We're working on allowing you to use your phone in car when you hear a rattle/squeak & pinpoint origin by acoustic signature & triangulation"

— Elon Musk in a [Tweet](#)

Dirt Bricks

- **401 days** since Elon Musk said The Boring Company would recycle dirt from tunnels into bricks for housing.

"The Boring Company will be using dirt from tunnel digging to create bricks for low cost housing."

— Elon Musk in a [Tweet](#)

Candy Company

- **403 days** since Elon Musk said he was starting a candy company.

"I'm starting a candy company & it's going to be amazing. I am super super serious."

— Elon Musk in a [Tweet](#)

Pravduh

- **441 days** since Elon Musk announced he would create a media credibility rating site.

"Even if some of the public doesn't care about the credibility score, the journalists, editors & publications will. It is how they define themselves."

— Elon Musk in a [Tweet](#)

Roller Skate Diner

- **522 days** since Elon Musk said Tesla would open a roller skate drive-in restaurant in LA.

"Gonna put an old school drive-in, roller skates & rock restaurant at one of the new Tesla Supercharger locations in LA."

— Elon Musk in a [Tweet](#)

Pickup Truck Sports Car

- **573 days** since Elon Musk said Tesla would sell a pickup truck.

"It'll be a better truck than an equivalent F-150 and a better sports car than a standard 911."

— Elon Musk, quoted by Joey Capparella in [Car and Driver](#)

— Announcement filmed by Tesla and hosted on [Vimeo](#)

Semi-Truck Deposits

- **573 days** since Elon Musk started taking deposits for the Tesla semi-truck.
- **566 days** since Elon Musk increased the price of deposits for the Tesla semi-truck.

"It's got a better drag coefficient than a supercar."

— Elon Musk from the [Semi Reveal](#)

— Deposit increase reported by Matt Wimberly in [Freight Waves](#)

Rockets to London

- **621 days** since Elon Musk said SpaceX rockets could soon take passengers from New York to London in 29 minutes.

"Cost per seat should be about the same as full fare economy in an aircraft."

— Elon Musk, quoted by Luke Dormehl in [Digital Trends](#)

10,000 Teslas a Week

- **673 days** since Elon Musk promised production of 10,000 units a week by the end of 2018.

"What people should absolutely have zero concern about, and I mean zero, is that Tesla will achieve a 10,000 unit production week by the end of next year."

— Elon Musk, quoted by Giovanni Bruno in [The Street](#)

Verbal Government Approval

- **692 days** since Elon Musk said he had government approval to build an underground Mid-Atlantic Hyperloop.

"Just received verbal govt approval for The Boring Company to build an underground NY-Phil-Balt-DC Hyperloop Hyperloop. NY-DC in 29 mins."

— Elon Musk in a [Tweet](#)

Solar Powered Superchargers

- **733 days** since Elon Musk said all Superchargers were being converted to solar.

"Over time, almost all will disconnect from the electricity grid."

— Elon Musk in a [Tweet](#)

Wizard Hat Cancer Cure

- **783 days** since Elon Musk said he would bring a computer hat to market to help people with brain injuries in about four years.

"We are aiming to bring something to market that helps with certain severe brain injuries (stroke, cancer lesion, congenital) in about four years"

— Elon Musk, quoted by Alan Boyle in [Yahoo Finance](#)

Frozen Yogurt and Electric Rollercoasters

- **839 days** since Elon Musk promised Tesla employees free yogurt and electric pod rollercoasters in exchange for not unionizing.

"There will also be little things that come along like free frozen yogurt stands scattered around the factory and my personal favorite: a Tesla electric pod car roller coaster (with an optional loop the loop route, of course!) that will allow fast and fun traveling throughout our Fremont campus, dipping in and out of the factory and connecting all the parking lots."

— Elon Musk, quoted by Caroline O'Donovan in [Buzzfeed News](#)

Residential Solar Roof Tiles

- **957 days** since Elon Musk said solar tile installations would start in summer of 2017.

"We expect this to have two or three times the longevity of asphalt. It's really never going to wear out. It's got a quasi-infinite lifetime. It's made of quartz."

— Elon Musk, quoted by Roberto Baldwin in [Engadget](#)

Charging for Self Driving Software

- **966 days** since Elon Musk started charging Tesla customers for 'self driving' that he said would be able to drive from Los Angeles to New York city with no human intervention by the end of 2017.

"All you will need to do is get in and tell your car where to go."

— Elon Musk, quoted by Mike Brown in [Inverse](#)

Autonomous Minibus

- **1,043 days** since Elon Musk claimed Tesla would start production of an autonomous minibus in 2-3 years.

"Fixed summon buttons at existing bus stops would serve those who don't have a phone. Design accommodates wheelchairs, strollers and bikes."

— Elon Musk, quoted by Fred Lambert in [Electrek](#)

Whompy Wheel NHTSA Fraud

- **1,114 days** since Elon Musk said NHTSA confirmed there were no safety concerns with Tesla suspensions and most complaints were fraudulent.

"NHTSA confirmed today that they found no safety concern with the Model S suspension and have no further need for data from us on this matter."

— Elon Musk in a [Tweet](#)

"Of greater concern: 37 of 40 suspension complaints to NHTSA were fraudulent, i.e. false location or vehicle identification numbers were used."

— Elon Musk in a [Tweet](#)

- **160 days** since Elon Musk did not inform anyone that NHTSA recalled the suspensions for the 2013 & 2014 Model S.
- **323 days** since Elon Musk did not inform anyone that NHTSA recalled the suspensions for the 2016 Model S.

— NHTSA recalls posted on [NHTSA.gov](#)

Cross Country Summon

- **1,253 days** since Elon Musk claimed summon would be able to autonomously drive a Tesla across country to pick up its owner in about two years.

"In ~2 years, summon should work anywhere connected by land & not blocked by borders, eg you're in LA and the car is in NY."

— Elon Musk in a [Tweet](#)

1,000 Kilometer Range

- **1,358 days** since Elon Musk said Teslas would have 1,000 kilometer (621 mile) range within a year or two.

"My guess is probably we could break 1,000 kilometers within a year or two. I'd say 2017 for sure."

— Elon Musk, quoted by Cadie Thompson in [Business Insider](#)

Snake Charger

- **1,624 days** since Elon Musk tweeted that Tesla was developing a charger that automatically connects to cars.

"We are actually working on a charger that automatically moves out from the wall & connects like a solid metal snake. For realz."

— Elon Musk in a [Tweet](#)

Battery Swaps & Credit Sales

- **2,225 days** since Elon Musk said the Model S could be recharged faster than filling tank with gas throughout the country.

"There is a way for the Tesla Model S to be recharged throughout the country faster than you could fill a gas tank."

— Elon Musk in a [Tweet](#)

- **2,183 days** since Elon Musk demonstrated automated battery swapping and started selling tens of millions of dollars of CARB credits based on the assumption Tesla would deploy it.

— CARB credit sales reported by Anthony Watts in a post on [Watts Up With That?](#)

"You have the choice of the supercharger, which is and always will be free, or you have the choice of the battery pack swap which is faster than you can fill a gastank."

— Elon Musk, quoted by Kyle Thibaut in [Auto Blog](#)

Capital Raise

- **2,677 days** since Elon Musk said Tesla will never need to raise capital again.

"Tesla does not need to ever raise another funding round."

— Elon Musk, quoted by John Voelcker in [Green Car Reports](#)

- **2,448 days** since Elon Musk raised \$195.7M in common stock.
- **2,218 days** since Elon Musk raised \$313M in common stock.
- **2,218 days** since Elon Musk raised \$600M in convertible notes.
- **1,931 days** since Elon Musk raised \$2B in convertible notes.
- **1,399 days** since Elon Musk raised \$652.2M in common stock.
- **1,183 days** since Elon Musk raised \$1.4B in common stock (excluding Musk's \$600M sale).
- **1,113 days** since Elon Musk raised \$350M in common stock.
- **614 days** since Elon Musk raised \$850M in convertible notes.
- **614 days** since Elon Musk raised \$1.8B in high yield notes.
- **41 days** since Elon Musk raised \$850M in common stock.
- **41 days** since Elon Musk raised \$1.2B in convertible notes.

"Tesla HQ has said that as a general policy it doesn't confirm or deny the veracity of Musk's tweets."

— Tesla HQ, quoted by David Z. Morris in [Fortune](#)

Editor's note: others have done great work exposing Musk's shameless charlatan carnival barking. If you enjoy this sort of thing, I highly recommend Niya White's excellent article [Musk Misses: The Stories You Don't Hear About Tesla Anymore](#) or for more serious research on Tesla's mistruths to investors check out [TSLA Mistruths](#).

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