## **Dassault Falcon 6X Rollout Set for December 8**

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The first Dassault Falcon 6X is scheduled to roll out on December 8 at the company's production facility in Bordeaux-Merignac, France. This puts the program firmly on track to achieve first flight early next year. Service entry is pegged for 2022. (Photo: Dassault Aviation)

Dassault Aviation will roll out the first Falcon 6X on December 8 at its production facility in Bordeaux-Merignac, France, the company announced today. The

program is thus firmly on track to achieve first flight early next year. This is "thanks to the hard work of the [6X] development team, which has steadily moved forward over the summer," the French aircraft manufacturer said. "Development of the 6X, including its Pratt & Whitney PW812D engine is right on schedule," it added. "First flight is set for 2021 and certification, and initial delivery is planned for 2022."

Ground testing on the first flight-test 5,500-nm Falcon 6X is still ongoing, with electric, hydraulic, and fuel system tests having been completed. Ground fatigue and damage tolerance testing are also underway.

Meanwhile, the second and third flight-test aircraft are nearing final assembly, according to Dassault. Aircraft number three will also be outfitted with a full interior.