

ADS-B for Air Traffic Surveillance

ADS-B revolutionized the air traffic surveillance industry, replacing some outdated and unreliable technologies — but not all ADS-B technologies and systems are created equal.

Aireon's space-based ADS-B

Elevating space-based capabilities with the unparalleled Iridium satellite network and trusted data source.



Unmatched global data quality

A single source of reliable, EASA-certified data



Robust aviation data set

Historical data back to 2019 offering greater insights, trends, and research capabilities



The only 100% global real-time network

High-fidelity, low-latency coverage and position validation independent of ADS-B reported position



Over 99% availability

A continuously monitored redundant system and 24/7 Operations Center response




Future ready

Other aviation signals of interest are on the horizon

Terrestrial ADS-B

When operating over land, aircraft position is broadcast via ADS-B to ground-based receivers.


- ▶ Tracks air traffic movements and provides aircraft positioning, identification, and other avionics data indicators (altitude, airspeed, climb rate, etc.)
- ▶ Assesses navigation quality
- ▶ Can help identify avionics anomalies

 Coverage does not extend over oceans or remote areas

Other space-based ADS-B

Achieves the same functions as terrestrial ADS-B while also monitoring ADS-B in regions lacking terrestrial infrastructure support.

- ▶ Servicing areas where ground infrastructure is not available and/or not reliable, including regionally denied areas
- ▶ Available in remote areas, including over the oceans and mountains

 Coverage is intermittent over oceanic and remote regions with high latency and lacking full data provenance