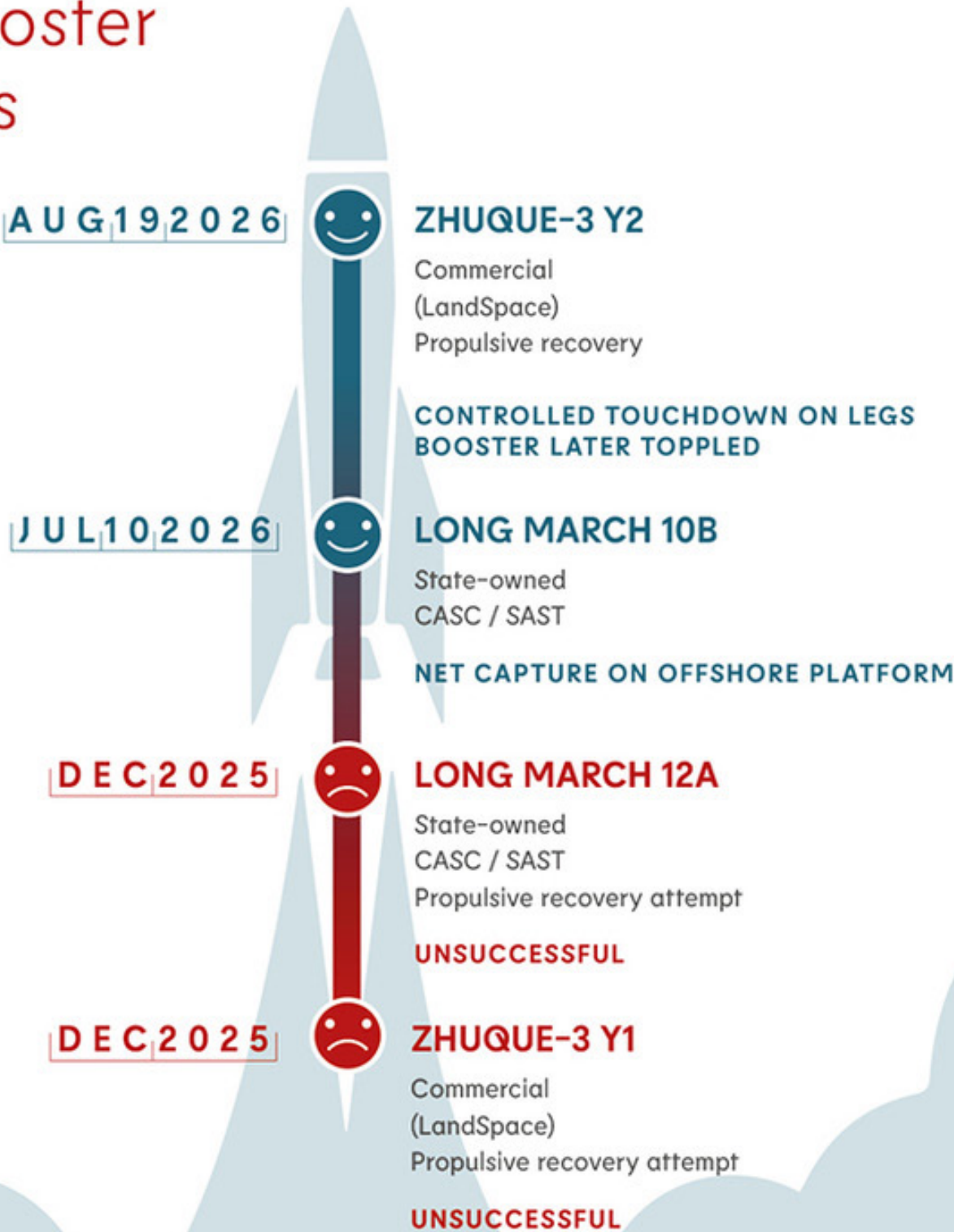


Resusable rockets:

China demonstrates two orbital-booster return methods



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SpaceX Falcon 9 versus
China's entire launch
ecosystem



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Weekly Facts & Figures.

- **China:** CASC and LandSpace achieved two different orbital-boosters recovery milestones in 2026.
- **Reuse gap:** Neither recovery has yet led to a confirmed reflight or demonstrated repeatable reuse.
- **U.S. lead:** SpaceX flew 165 Falcon 9 missions in 2025, compared with 92 orbital launch attempts across China's entire launch sector.

What This Means.

"For European companies, the signal is that China is building technical options to support a more scalable domestic launch ecosystem and large satellite-constellation deployment."



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