

IAG announces strategic investment in wi-fi connectivity for 500+ aircraft

- Starlink reliable, high speed wi-fi to be implemented across IAG airlines starting from early 2026
- IAG fleet on track to include more aircraft with high-speed wi-fi than any other European airline group
- Download speeds will enable fast downloads, smooth streaming and cloud-based work

London, 6 November 2025 - International Airlines Group (IAG) has announced a partnership to implement Starlink-enabled high speed wi-fi connectivity on Aer Lingus, British Airways, Iberia, LEVEL and Vueling aircraft, with the first aircraft due to go live with the service in early 2026.

This will allow customers to stay connected in the skies with download and upload speeds as good or better than home connectivity, enabling fast downloads, streaming and online gaming for customers on IAG airlines.

The new high speed wi-fi partnership with Starlink will be implemented on more than 500 aircraft across IAG's airlines covering short-haul journeys in Europe as well as all the Group's long-haul transatlantic and global routes. This means that IAG's fleet is on track to include more aircraft with high-speed wi-fi than any other European airline group.

IAG has been focusing on innovation as part of its Group-wide transformation programme, with initiatives including AI to optimise engine maintenance and the launch of the IAGi venturing fund to invest in high-potential startups and scale-ups.

Luis Gallego, CEO of IAG said:

“Staying connected in the skies is increasingly important to our airlines’ customers. The introduction of high-speed wi-fi from Starlink will transform onboard connectivity, improving both the connection speed and reliability for customers.

Customers from all IAG airlines will be able to benefit from the service from next year. This demonstrates how IAG is working together as a group, to drive innovation and secure major deals to benefit all our stakeholders.”

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Notes for Editors

- IAG fleet as of 31 December 2024 was 601 aircraft. All IAG aircraft that are not due for near-term retirement will receive the new wi-fi.
- Implementation plans will vary by airline and will be communicated as the rollout plan is finalised.
- Starlink offers download speeds of up to 150-450 Mb per second and upload speeds of 20-70 Mb per second. A download speed of 150Mb per second allows you to download an HD movie of approximately 4 of 5 GB in around 5 minutes. According to UK regulator Ofcom, UK home average maximum download speed was 223Mb per second in 2024.

About International Airlines Group

International Airlines Group (IAG) is one of the world's largest airline groups carrying more than 122 million customers to 260 destinations across 91 countries each year. Its leading airlines in Spain, the UK and Ireland include Aer Lingus, British Airways, Iberia, LEVEL and Vueling. The Group also consists of two complementary businesses: IAG Cargo and IAG Loyalty. At IAG, transformation and innovation enable us to maximise value and efficiencies across the Group. IAGi, the Group's dedicated innovation function, plays a critical role in scouting and accelerating breakthrough technologies that have the potential to reshape aviation.

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