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AI Models Expected in November 2026 and Other Big Industry Events: Release Outlook as of 8 November

As of 8 Nov 2026, no major lab has officially dated a November flagship. Gemini 4 Carbon is in limited access, and GPT-6.2 Astra, DeepSeek V4.1 Pro and Grok 4.8 are unconfirmed. Anthropic's IPO could price from 13 Nov, Nvidia reports 17 Nov, and EU AI Act dates fall on 2 Dec.

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As of 8 November 2026, no major lab has officially announced a date for a new flagship model this month. The credible "expected" releases are therefore inferences from release cadence, leaks and half-confirmed statements. The hard, dated events are mostly financial and regulatory: Anthropic's IPO, Nvidia's earnings and EU AI Act deadlines. This report separates what is confirmed from what is rumour, and says so wherever the sources disagree.

16 Nov	17 Nov	2 Dec	$33.2B
Earliest possible Anthropic trading day (ticker ANT)	Nvidia fiscal Q3 2027 earnings, after the close	EU AI Act: two new bans and legacy-marking deadline	Anthropic revenue, nine months to 30 Sep 2026 (S-1)

KEY FINDING

Most of what trackers call “November releases” shipped between 17 Oct and 5 Nov. Genuinely upcoming model launches are undated. The only firm dates in this window are the Anthropic IPO (from 16 Nov), Nvidia earnings (17 Nov), the end of GPT-6.1 Terra’s introductory pricing (23 Nov) and the EU deadlines (2 Dec).

How to read the “expected” claims

Many trackers and blogs publish “release date” pages, and their quality varies widely. Next AI Model reports only official announcements. It also says its own test of a “usual gap ± 15 days” forecast would have been right **fewer than 1 time in 5** [3]. Treat any exact November date for an unannounced model as a guess. Some sources I read are SEO-style aggregators, so single-source figures are flagged below. Where two sources give different numbers for the same thing, I show both.

What has already shipped

Several models people describe as “November releases” landed in the last three weeks. They are the baseline any new release gets compared against.

- 17 Oct — **DeepSeek-V4.1-Flash-1017**
  Dated refresh of the Flash line; MIT weights, 1M context, same API price
- 23-24 Oct — **Kimi K3.1 Pro announced**
  Moonshot; 2.8T total / 104B active parameters; weights promised by 4 Nov
- 26 Oct — **GPT-6.1 Terra**
  OpenAI; replaces GPT-5.6 Terra at lower prices
- 28 Oct — **Gemini 4 Carbon announced**
  Google; limited access to cyber defenders first
- 30 Oct — **GPT-6 Rosalind (beta)**
  OpenAI research-preview API model for life sciences
- 4 Nov — **Kimi K3.1 Pro weights on Hugging Face**
  Plus GPT Image 2.6 and Tencent Hy4 the same day

5 Nov **GPT-6 Cyber, Gemini Omni 1.2 Flash**
Also ERNIE-5.5-Flash-Base, Inkling 2 Small, Ling-3.2-flash

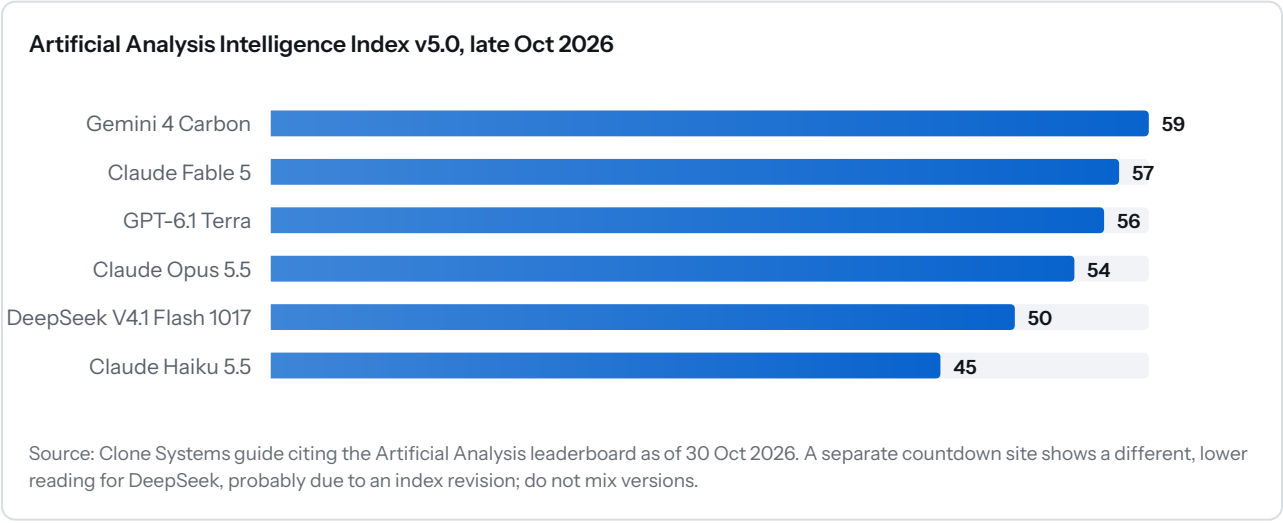
The main releases in detail

GPT-6.1 Terra (26 Oct). OpenAI's changelog, as quoted in Clone Systems' guide, calls it "built for long-running, multi-step work". It has a 1.15M-token context window (up from 500K), a 512K maximum output and a new "Ultra" effort level that runs a multi-agent workflow. Price is **$6 / $18** per million input/output tokens, with a 25% introductory discount until **23 Nov**. It scores 56 on the Artificial Analysis index, third overall[2]. Next AI Model says it replaces GPT-5.6 Terra at half the input price and scores 6 points higher[3]. The cyber figures (58.5% on HackerGPT-2) are vendor-reported.

Gemini 4 Carbon (28 Oct). Google calls it "our strongest model with state-of-the-art cybersecurity and long horizon capabilities". It is gated: access starts with cyber defenders through the Fairwind Program, then broader availability "to follow"[2]. Google's own words were: "Starting this week, we will make Carbon available to a subset of cyber defenders"[3]. It tops the index at **59**. Introductory pricing is $2 / $10, rising to $4 / $20 afterwards. Vendor-reported figures include 88.2% on SEC-bench Pro and a 0.0% attack success rate on Gray Swan's indirect prompt-injection benchmark, versus 0.7% for Argon[2]. No general-availability date has been announced.

Kimi K3.1 Pro (23–24 Oct, weights 4 Nov). The model card lists **2.8T total parameters, 104B active**, 896 experts and a 1,048,576-token context[6]. Moonshot reports 65.7% on Terminal-Bench 4.0, against 66.4% for Claude Opus 5.5 and 58.2% for GPT-6 Astra. Those peer scores come from mixed sources, not a controlled head-to-head[6]. Moonshot also discloses that its unchecked checkpoint solved 90.5% of an in-house vulnerability benchmark, versus 81.0% after cyber-data removal[2].

Other releases. GPT-6 Cyber (5 Nov) is limited to approved security researchers. Gemini Omni 1.2 Flash (5 Nov) is generally available for video, with clips up to 15 seconds at about **$0.07 per second** at 720p[1][3]. Baidu's ERNIE-5.5-Flash-Base is a 280B sparse model with 14B active, released as a pretraining checkpoint, not an assistant. Thinking Machines Lab's Inkling 2 Small is a 594B mixture-of-experts model on Tinker, with weights planned after external safety testing. Boson AI's Higgs Realtime Duplex is announced with no public access[1].



Source: Clone Systems guide citing the Artificial Analysis leaderboard as of 30 Oct 2026. A separate countdown site shows a different, lower reading for DeepSeek, probably due to an index revision; do not mix versions.

Frontier labs: what to expect next

OpenAI

OpenAI's lineup is crowded: GPT-6 Astra (3 or 4 Sep, depending on source), GPT-6.1 Sol (29 Sep), GPT-6.1 Terra, Rosalind in beta and the limited GPT-6 Cyber. The one live rumour is **GPT-6.2 Astra**. It rests on the name appearing in some accounts' Codex usage views on 1 Nov, shared in X posts. As of 2 Nov, OpenAI's API changelog, model catalogue and Codex model page listed no such model, and the model page returned a 404[5]. OpenAI has confirmed nothing. Next AI Model puts the Astra line mid-cycle, with a usual gap of about **75 days and 40 elapsed**[3]. A release before year-end is plausible, but I could not verify any date.

Anthropic

Anthropic's current lineup, per a third-party tracker citing Anthropic's docs: Claude Fable 5.1 (top tier, 27 Aug per that tracker, 1 Sep per Next AI Model), Opus 5.5 (22 Sep), Sonnet 5.5 (28 Sep) and Haiku 5.5 (7 Oct)[9][3]. Sources disagree on Haiku 5.5's price: one lists $1 / $5 as vendor-reported[2], another $0.10 / $0.50[9]. Check Anthropic's pricing page before relying on either. Next AI Model puts the Opus line at a usual gap of about **60 days, 47 elapsed**, so it is mid-cycle and nearing due[3]. That is a cadence reading, not an announcement. The IPO roadshow may also affect launch timing, but I found no source saying so.

Google

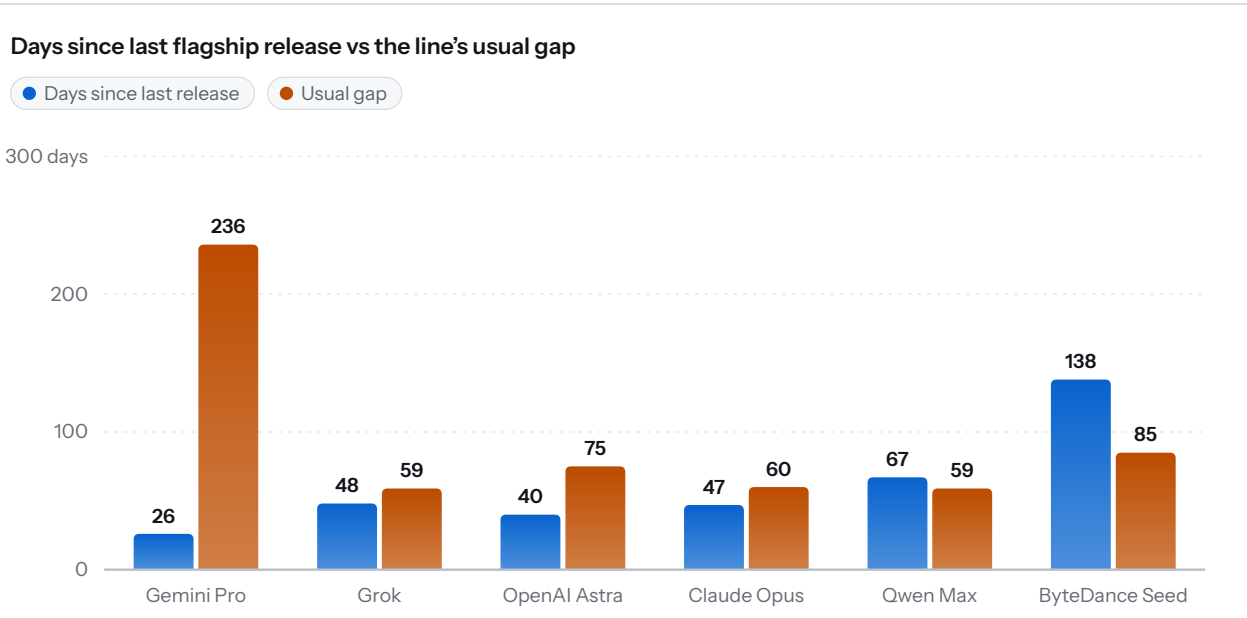
Gemini 4 Argon shipped on 13 Oct and Carbon is in limited release. The Gemini Pro line's usual gap is about **236 days**, so another flagship in November is unlikely[3]. The likelier news is Carbon's wider rollout and Flash-tier or media models.

xAI

Grok 4.7 shipped on 21 Sep. On 14 Sep Musk said Grok 4.8, “a 2.5T model trained with our new C++ software stack, will finish training this week and start RL”[3]. That was 55 days ago with no release, against a usual gap of about 59 days. **Grok 5** has no date. The only official statement is the 6 Jan 2026 line “Grok 5 is currently in training”, and the target has slipped from late 2025 to Q1, then Q2 2026[4]. One aggregator cites Polymarket pricing a 2026 release in roughly the low 40s to mid 50s percent in mid-September, with 30 Nov at 23%[4]. That is a single secondary reference and is dated. Grok 4.8 is a likelier xAI release than Grok 5.

Meta

Meta Superintelligence Labs released Muse Wonder and Muse Wonder Full on 12 Oct and Muse Spark Open on 15 Oct, according to Meta’s announcement and secondary coverage found in search. Meta said a fuller safety report would follow “soon”. I did not find a Meta model scheduled for November.



Source: Next AI Model tracker, 8 Nov 2026. Usual gap is the median of the last five gaps. OpenAI and Claude gaps are given on the page as ’about 75’ and ’about 60’.

China and open weights

- **DeepSeek V4.1 Pro.** DeepSeek’s 10 Sep announcement names it as a future release, and traffic to old V4 Pro was redirected to Flash “until V4.1 Pro launches”[7]. A countdown site estimates **12 Nov**, but says plainly that this is a judgment estimate, a rumoured 1 Nov launch did not happen and no Pro date is published[7]. DeepSeek’s typical cycle is about 40 days and the last release was 17 Oct, so mid-to-late November is plausible. The same site lists V4.2 Flash for 3 Dec and V5 for 17

Feb 2027, both speculative. DeepSeek's V4.1 Flash 1017 reports HLE 42.6 and Terminal-Bench 4.0 at 42.3 (vendor-reported) [2].

- **Qwen Max** is at 67 days since Qwen3.8-Max-0902 against a usual 59, so it is "longer than usual" [3].
- **ByteDance Seed** is at 138 days against a usual 85, the longest overdue of the lines tracked [3].
- **Kimi licence.** The weights come under a model-specific licence. Europa Press, via NeoTeo, reports that a separate agreement is needed for third-party service providers billing over **$20 million** annually, plus attribution for very large products [6]. This is a secondary summary, so read the licence before building on it. Moonshot recommends vLLM, SGLang and TokenSpeed for serving and requires the full assistant message, including `reasoning_content`, to be passed back on multi-turn calls [6].

Confidence table for November

ITEM	STATUS ON 8 NOV	EVIDENCE	CONFIDENCE IT LANDS IN NOVEMBER
Gemini 4 Carbon wider access	Limited access since 28 Oct	Google statement [2] [3]	Moderate
DeepSeek V4.1 Pro	Named, undated	Cadence plus redirect notice [7]	Moderate, unconfirmed
Qwen / Seed update	Overdue by cadence	Tracker [3]	Moderate, unconfirmed
Grok 4.8	Announced by Musk 14 Sep, undated	Musk post [3]	Low to moderate
GPT-6.2 Astra	Not on any OpenAI page	X screenshots only [5]	Low to moderate
Next Claude Opus/Fable	Nothing announced	Cadence only [3]	Low
Grok 5	"In training"	xAI Jan 2026 line [4]	Low

The confidence column is my own judgement from the cited evidence, not a figure from any source.

Anthropic IPO and OpenAI funding

Anthropic

Anthropic publicly filed its S-1 on 26 Oct and plans to list on the Nasdaq as **ANT** [8]. Per TechCrunch's reading of the filing:

- **H1 2026 revenue of $16.3 billion**, up from $1.2 billion in the same period of 2025.
- An operating loss of **$693 million**, against $2.1 billion in H1 2025.
- A net loss of **$80.7 billion**, largely non-cash adjustments tied to convertible debt.

- More than 11,900 customers at $100,000+ a year, 1,900 at $1 million+ and about 250 at $10 million+ as of end-September.
- A “Founder LLC” of seven co-founders holding **50.1% of voting power**, and a Long-Term Benefit Trust that appoints most of the board [8].

Yahoo Finance adds later figures from an updated filing: revenue of **$33.2 billion** for the nine months to 30 Sep, an operating loss of $1.3 billion for that period, and commitments of **$895.4 billion**, mostly compute, of which $69.8 billion falls due within 12 months [10].

	Anthropic	vs	OpenAI
IPO status	Public S-1 filed 26 Oct; ticker ANT	·	Confidential S-1 filed 8 Jun; no public filing
Earliest listing	Trading from 16 Nov at the earliest	·	2027 targeted; 2026 ruled out by Altman (reported)
Latest valuation signal	Reported $1.5T-$1.6T target (unverified)	·	$852B in March; talks at $1.25T pre-money (reported)
Revenue	$33.2B in nine months to 30 Sep	·	~$50B annualised at end-September (reported)

Anthropic figures from its S-1 via TechCrunch and Yahoo Finance; OpenAI figures from a secondary aggregator citing CNBC. The OpenAI round had not closed.

Timing: the company has not confirmed a first-trading date. Yahoo Finance calculates that the roadshow can start on 10 Nov. The SEC is closed on 11 Nov for Veterans Day, so the earliest pricing is **Friday 13 Nov** and the earliest first trade is **Monday 16 Nov**. Following SpaceX’s 23-day path from public filing to first trade would mean **Wednesday 18 Nov**, ahead of Thanksgiving on 26 Nov [10]. WSJ and Reuters reports cited by Yahoo say the week of 16 Nov. The share count and price range had not been disclosed. One secondary site cites a $1.5T-$1.6T target and Yahoo headlines mention valuation possibly falling near $1 trillion amid market turmoil; I could not verify either figure, so treat valuation as open.

> CAUTION
>
> The IPO date, price and valuation are unconfirmed and depend on market conditions. Yahoo Finance notes that volatility in comparable stocks or regulatory issues could shift the timetable.

OpenAI

OpenAI confidentially filed a draft S-1 on 8 Jun, with Goldman Sachs and Morgan Stanley as lead underwriters. An aggregator reports that Altman said on 12 Sep an IPO in 2026 was out of the question, and that CFO Sarah Friar targets 2027 [11]. The same source, citing CNBC, says a private round of up to **$30 billion** at **$1.25 trillion** pre-money is close, versus $852 billion in March, and

puts annualised revenue near **$50 billion** at end-September. The round had not closed at the time of writing, so treat these as reported, not final[11]. An OpenAI listing in this window is not expected.

Regulation and calendar

- **Nvidia earnings, Tue 17 Nov, after the close.** The fiscal Q3 2027 call starts at 5:00 p.m. ET, per MarketBeat and a calendar site saying Nvidia confirmed the date on 28 Oct. It falls the day after Anthropic's earliest trading day, so AI-spending sentiment will be read from both.
- **EU AI Act.** The Digital Omnibus (Regulation (EU) 2026/1744) entered into force on 27 Jul 2026. Most of the Act has applied since 2 Aug 2026, including transparency rules and general-purpose model obligations. Two new prohibitions (realistic non-consensual intimate imagery and AI-generated CSAM) and the machine-readable marking deadline for older generative systems fall on **2 Dec 2026**. High-risk Annex III rules moved to 2 Dec 2027 and product-embedded AI to 2 Aug 2028[12].
- **Other dates.** GPT-6.1 Terra's introductory pricing ends 23 Nov[2], and Thanksgiving on 26 Nov usually quiets launches.

I found no reliable source for other November events, such as new US federal AI rules, so I am not guessing at them. A search for broader weekly AI news returned little.

Bottom line

Nothing major in AI models is officially scheduled for November. The firm dates are financial and policy: Anthropic's IPO (from 16 Nov), Nvidia on 17 Nov and the EU's 2 Dec deadlines. For models, the likeliest arrivals are wider Gemini 4 Carbon access, DeepSeek V4.1 Pro, and Qwen or Seed updates, with Grok 4.8 and GPT-6.2 Astra possible. Grok 5 and a new Claude flagship are the least supported. Re-check the labs' own changelogs before acting, since this picture can change within days.

Terms used in this document (5)

- **Artificial Analysis Intelligence Index** — A weighted, cost-normalised aggregate of independently run benchmarks; the sources here cite version 5.0.
- **Mixture-of-experts** — A design that activates only some groups of parameters for each token, so "active" parameters are far fewer than the total.
- **Open weights** — A model whose trained parameters can be downloaded and run on your own hardware, usually under a licence with conditions.
- **Roadshow** — The investor meetings where bankers pitch a stock and take orders before an IPO is priced.
- **S-1** — The prospectus a US company files with the SEC before selling stock to the public.

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