

Boeing will halt 737 MAX production in January as FAA reviews software fix

Boeing said Monday it will halt production on its signature 737 Max airplanes indefinitely, beginning next month, a stoppage that could send **ripples** across the economy and put tens of thousands of manufacturing jobs in **jeopardy**.

ripple 涟漪; 波纹

jeopardy 危险

The decision comes nine months after aviation authorities **grounded** the planes following two crashes that killed 346 people. Since then, the company has been unable to convince regulators in the United States and abroad that the airplane is safe to fly.

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As one of the country's top manufacturers and the single biggest component of the Dow Jones industrial average, Boeing plays a significant role in the U.S. economy, and the effects of its decision on employment and stock prices could be swift.

Since aviation authorities in the United States and abroad grounded the planes in March, Boeing has continued producing the jets at a cost of \$1.5 billion a month in the hope that the Federal Aviation Administration would quickly approve their return to use.

That optimism now appears to have been badly misplaced, as the timeline for approval has been repeatedly pushed back.