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These defense stocks offer the best growth prospects, as the Israel-Iran conflict fuels new interest in the sector

RTX's stock gains 3.2% to bring its year-to-date rise to 25%, while other defense-sector stocks offer stronger revenue-growth prospects

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Archer Aviation Inc., Rocket Lab Corp. and Axon Enterprise Inc. offer the highest revenue-growth rates among components of the iShares U.S. Aerospace & Defense ETF, as Israel's attacks on Iran pushed up stock prices in the sector on Friday.

The screening by MarketWatch of the 36 defense-stock components of the iShares ETF ↑ **ITA +0.04%** also revealed that Boeing Co. ↓ **BA -0.21%** and Axon Enterprise Inc. ↓ **AXON -0.25%** ranked as the most expensive stocks in the ETF based on their forward price-to-earnings ratios.

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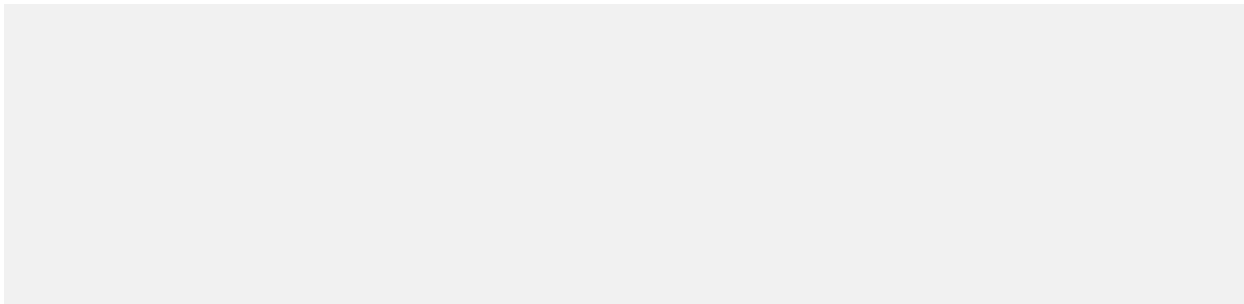
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