The joints that hold the fuselage together

Lap joints are where large panels of the aircraft fuselage are joined, with one panel overlapping the other. The joints run along the length of the fuselage.

Aging fleet

Boeing delivered 1,113 737-300s during the 15 years they were in production. Some of these – and a limited number of 737-400s and -500s – are subject to inspection.

Sources: FAA, Bloomberg, Boeing

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