

E-RATE FUNDING IN U.S. CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS

District-by-District Scorecards, 1998–2025

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About This Report

The federal E-Rate program, administered by the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) under the Federal Communications Commission, provides discounts of up to 90 percent on telecommunications, internet access, and internal connections for eligible schools and libraries. This report presents an E-Rate funding scorecard for every United States congressional district.

Each billed entity is assigned to the congressional district (119th Congress boundaries, U.S. Census TIGER/Line 2024) containing the largest number of its recipient sites, located by their USAC-reported coordinates; entities without usable coordinates use the district in their USAC profile. Funding totals are total authorized disbursements (FCC Form 471 FRN Status, USAC dataset qdmp-ygft); speeds are from Recipient Details and Commitments (avi8-svp9); pre-2016 history is from USAC legacy data (1998-2015). Note: the last year or two in any disbursement series always looks artificially low (FY2025 invoices are still being paid) — that's the real state of USAC's data, not an error.

Each district receives two pages: a funding overview with total disbursements, average discount rates, participating entities and service providers, and a disbursement history covering 1998–2025; followed by rankings of the district's largest E-Rate recipients and service providers and average contracted connection speeds.

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Data: USAC Open Data (opendata.usac.org), retrieved 2026-06-10.

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Table 1. E-Rate Funding Overview

Indicator	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Total E-Rate Subsidies	\$2,885,790	\$17,493,950	\$16,188,175	\$14,058,397	\$14,645,280	\$12,381,409	\$11,366,843	\$10,168,944
Average Discount Rate	86%	83%	81%	77%	79%	78%	78%	75%
Number of Service Providers	15	23	17	18	15	19	18	24
Number of Billed Entities	18	18	22	22	28	29	33	33
– School District BENs	15	15	19	19	24	23	22	21
– School BENs	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
– Library BENs	1	1	1	1	2	4	9	10
– Consortium BENs	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

Figure 1. Total E-Rate Disbursements, 1998–2025

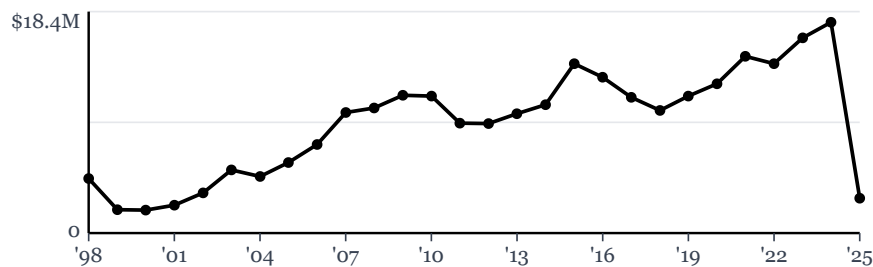


Table 2. E-Rate Subsidies by Service Type

Service Type	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Voice	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	\$8,311
Telecomm Services	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Internal Connections	\$2,413,950	\$1,307,476	\$1,909,122	\$928,733	\$2,164,352	\$1,163,403	\$838,288	\$711,411
Data Transmission and/or Internet Access	\$471,840	\$15,980,319	\$14,023,358	\$12,873,969	\$12,231,562	\$10,947,457	\$10,527,685	\$9,438,644
Basic Maintenance of Internal Connections	–	–	–	–	\$1,671	\$0	–	\$10,571
Managed Internal Broadband Services	–	\$206,156	\$255,694	\$255,694	\$247,694	\$270,549	\$870	–
Wi-Fi Hotspots Services and Equipment	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Wireless School Bus Services and Equipment	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–

Sources: USAC Open Data — E-Rate Recipient Details and Commitments (avi8-svp9); FCC Form 471 FRN Status (qdm-p-ygft); USAC legacy commitments 1998–2015. Funding figures are total authorized disbursements; each billed entity is assigned to the 119th-Congress district containing the most of its recipient sites (Census TIGER/Line 2024). 5-yr Total and Average cover FY2021–2025; FY2026 omitted (funding year in progress). Note: the last year or two in any disbursement series always looks artificially low (FY2025 invoices are still being paid), which is why the history charts dip at the end — that’s the real state of USAC’s data, not an error. Technology Policy Institute, 2026-06-10.

Table 3. Top 10 Billed Entities by E-Rate Disbursements (ranked by 5-yr total)

Billed Entity	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	5-yr Total	Average
Alabama Supercomputer Authority	–	\$15.2M	\$13.0M	\$11.7M	\$10.9M	\$9.6M	\$9.0M	\$7.9M	\$50.7M	\$10.1M
Walker County School District	–	\$373K	\$423K	\$423K	\$421K	\$388K	\$121K	\$121K	\$1.6M	\$328K
Tuscaloosa Co School District	\$474K	\$215K	\$217K	\$238K	\$235K	\$249K	\$391K	\$391K	\$1.4M	\$276K
Albertville City School Dist	–	\$124K	\$243K	\$339K	\$530K	\$396K	\$142K	\$149K	\$1.2M	\$247K
Lawrence County School Dist	\$233K	\$377K	\$104K	\$126K	\$396K	\$108K	\$254K	\$122K	\$1.2M	\$247K
Florence City School District	\$276K	\$108K	\$552K	\$110K	\$116K	\$108K	\$103K	\$382K	\$1.2M	\$233K
Marshall County School Dist	\$450K	–	\$215K	\$215K	\$270K	\$440K	\$233K	\$204K	\$1.2M	\$230K
Cullman County School District	–	\$203K	\$552K	\$64K	\$72K	\$98K	\$259K	\$90K	\$891K	\$178K
Blount County School District	\$579K	–	–	–	\$223K	\$108K	–	–	\$802K	\$160K
Gadsden City School District	\$300K	\$191K	–	\$146K	–	\$136K	\$14K	\$46K	\$637K	\$127K

Table 4. Top 10 Service Providers by E-Rate Disbursements (ranked by 5-yr total)

Service Provider	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	5-yr Total	Average
Csra State And Local Solutions Llc	–	\$15.2M	\$13.0M	\$11.7M	\$10.9M	\$9.6M	\$9.0M	\$7.9M	\$50.7M	\$10.1M
Information Transport Solutions, Inc.	\$44K	\$179K	\$572K	\$609K	\$1.5M	\$1.4M	\$608K	\$723K	\$2.9M	\$571K
Bellsouth Telecommunications, Llc	\$302K	\$351K	\$321K	\$429K	\$438K	\$479K	\$646K	\$680K	\$1.8M	\$368K
Synergetics Diversified Computer Services, Inc	–	\$198K	\$248K	\$475K	\$581K	\$318K	\$60K	\$2K	\$1.5M	\$300K
Blue Plains Technology, Llc	\$1.1M	\$348K	–	–	–	–	–	–	\$1.5M	\$295K
Howard Technology Solutions	\$871K	\$107K	–	\$209K	\$112K	\$9K	\$189K	\$27K	\$1.3M	\$260K
Teklinks, Inc	\$180K	\$53K	\$846K	\$14K	–	–	–	\$277K	\$1.1M	\$218K
Clear Winds Technologies, Inc.	–	\$241K	\$450K	–	\$271K	–	\$28K	–	\$962K	\$192K
Charter Communications Operating, Llc	\$12K	\$190K	\$175K	\$193K	\$192K	\$118K	\$150K	\$222K	\$763K	\$153K
Farmers Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc.	–	\$125K	\$150K	\$117K	\$147K	\$151K	\$145K	\$144K	\$539K	\$108K

Table 5. Average Contracted Speeds by Service Type (Mbps)

Service Type	Download					Upload				
	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021
Data Transmission and/or Internet Access	4,334	4,672	3,926	3,175	3,114	4,334	4,670	3,925	3,219	3,114

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