

# **E-RATE FUNDING IN U.S. CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS**

*District-by-District Scorecards, 1998–2025*

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# About This Report

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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](https://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	\$2,127,794	\$4,796,890	\$4,483,468	\$5,564,189	\$3,957,217	\$2,939,400	\$3,883,810	\$3,460,931
Average Discount Rate	75%	74%	75%	75%	75%	74%	70%	66%
Number of Service Providers	28	24	24	24	28	29	24	30
Number of Billed Entities	31	34	33	32	32	30	29	36
– School District BENs	23	25	24	23	24	22	22	24
– School BENs	3	4	4	4	3	3	2	7
– Library BENs	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5

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

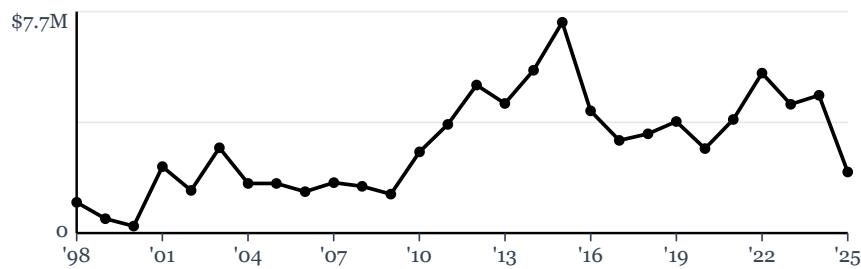


Table 2. E-Rate Subsidies by Service Type

Service Type	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Voice	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	\$19,477
Telecomm Services	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Internal Connections	\$1,568,845	\$2,804,422	\$2,118,656	\$3,320,137	\$1,861,472	\$827,689	\$1,806,624	\$1,281,231
Data Transmission and/or Internet Access	\$535,469	\$1,976,589	\$2,352,020	\$2,238,436	\$2,095,745	\$2,110,773	\$2,073,675	\$2,160,222
Basic Maintenance of Internal Connections	\$0	\$5,221	\$12,792	\$5,615	–	\$938	\$3,510	\$0
Managed Internal Broadband Services	\$23,480	\$10,658	–	–	–	–	–	–
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
Little Rock School District	\$457K	\$592K	\$814K	\$3.4M	\$769K	\$844K	\$1.7M	\$1.0M	\$6.0M	\$1.2M
North Little Rock Sch District	\$18K	\$418K	\$1.1M	\$427K	\$647K	\$398K	\$322K	\$734K	\$2.6M	\$528K
Conway Public School Dist 1	\$179K	\$834K	\$134K	\$61K	\$391K	\$160K	\$136K	\$319K	\$1.6M	\$320K
Pulaski Co Spec School Dist	–	\$883K	\$154K	\$148K	\$410K	\$27K	\$188K	–	\$1.6M	\$319K
Central Arkansas Lib System	\$286K	\$384K	\$329K	\$282K	\$293K	\$295K	\$344K	\$259K	\$1.6M	\$315K
Bryant Public School District	\$187K	\$261K	\$287K	\$195K	\$129K	\$123K	\$123K	\$199K	\$1.1M	\$212K
South Conway County School Dist	\$178K	\$137K	\$176K	\$73K	\$70K	\$35K	\$45K	\$49K	\$634K	\$127K
Benton Public School Dist 8	\$23K	\$431K	\$66K	\$10K	\$87K	\$34K	\$15K	\$10K	\$617K	\$123K
Beebe Public School District	\$106K	\$34K	\$139K	\$123K	\$82K	\$133K	\$111K	\$58K	\$484K	\$97K
Greenbrier Public Schools	\$20K	\$13K	\$276K	\$56K	\$102K	\$102K	\$114K	\$122K	\$466K	\$93K

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
Windstream Communications, Llc	\$202K	\$804K	\$894K	\$811K	\$843K	\$797K	\$834K	\$805K	\$3.6M	\$711K
Unite Private Networks, Llc	–	\$592K	\$814K	\$939K	\$769K	\$844K	\$880K	\$1.0M	\$3.1M	\$623K
Presidio Networked Solutions Llc	\$457K	–	–	\$2.4M	–	\$106K	\$870K	–	\$2.9M	\$574K
Cdw Government Llc	\$289K	\$979K	\$662K	\$72K	\$111K	\$96K	\$320K	\$423K	\$2.1M	\$423K
Arkansas K12 Llc	\$274K	\$537K	\$200K	\$351K	\$133K	\$41K	\$83K	\$0	\$1.5M	\$299K
Jsk Company, Inc	\$332K	\$141K	\$254K	\$318K	\$231K	\$225K	\$73K	\$128K	\$1.3M	\$256K
Complete Computing, Inc.	–	\$777K	\$154K	–	–	–	\$89K	–	\$931K	\$186K
Next Step Group, Inc	\$18K	–	\$578K	–	\$194K	\$143K	\$106K	\$408K	\$790K	\$158K
Cobridge Communications Llc	\$28K	\$153K	\$209K	\$185K	\$186K	\$181K	\$178K	\$179K	\$762K	\$152K
E. Ritter Communications Holdings, Llc.	\$187K	\$198K	\$205K	\$57K	\$58K	\$54K	\$42K	\$51K	\$705K	\$141K

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	6,228	5,311	6,400	5,857	5,537	6,227	5,308	6,395	5,850	5,531

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