

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	\$2,671,066	\$2,194,008	\$2,613,652	\$4,126,687	\$4,311,781	\$3,337,497	\$2,223,694	\$3,049,670
Average Discount Rate	62%	59%	58%	62%	60%	59%	60%	53%
Number of Service Providers	33	32	28	31	33	29	27	34
Number of Billed Entities	54	52	52	54	56	56	53	54
— School District BENs	31	30	30	30	29	29	29	29
— School BENs	23	22	22	23	27	27	24	25
— Library BENs	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—

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

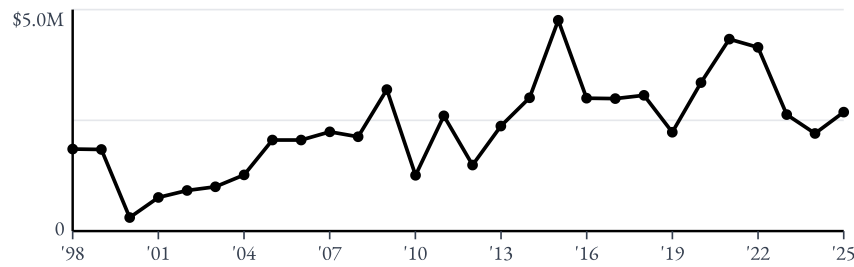


Table 2. E-Rate Subsidies by Service Type

Service Type	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Voice	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	\$32,889
Telecomm Services	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Internal Connections	\$1,681,203	\$708,765	\$1,082,012	\$2,528,828	\$2,374,104	\$1,563,666	\$405,668	\$966,877
Data Transmission and/or Internet Access	\$934,273	\$1,456,167	\$1,433,574	\$1,470,762	\$1,854,689	\$1,652,910	\$1,769,371	\$1,995,580
Basic Maintenance of Internal Connections	\$35,013	\$3,339	\$84,079	\$91,771	\$52,086	\$80,650	\$30,911	\$26,340
Managed Internal Broadband Services	\$20,577	\$25,736	\$13,988	\$35,326	\$30,902	\$40,271	\$17,745	\$27,983
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
City Of Lowell	\$114K	\$246K	\$476K	\$774K	\$606K	\$515K	\$202K	\$318K	\$2.2M	\$443K
Lawrence Public Schools	\$1.5M	\$45K	\$29K	\$58K	\$268K	\$776K	\$383K	\$406K	\$1.9M	\$384K
Haverhill School District	\$46K	\$80K	\$57K	\$617K	\$542K	\$148K	\$55K	\$86K	\$1.3M	\$268K
Fitchburg School District	\$106K	\$116K	\$112K	\$115K	\$852K	\$115K	\$172K	\$172K	\$1.3M	\$260K
Methuen Public Schools	\$26K	\$33K	\$81K	\$256K	\$252K	\$58K	\$58K	\$242K	\$647K	\$129K
Clinton School District	\$61K	\$85K	\$85K	\$119K	\$262K	\$71K	\$69K	\$117K	\$612K	\$122K
North Middlesex Reg Sch Dist	\$55K	\$302K	\$63K	\$63K	\$96K	\$268K	\$132K	\$164K	\$579K	\$116K
Ashburnham-Westminster Reg Dist	\$58K	\$161K	\$127K	\$102K	\$63K	\$25K	\$55K	\$40K	\$512K	\$102K
Dracut Public School	\$30K	\$21K	\$300K	\$59K	\$59K	\$57K	\$8K	\$6K	\$470K	\$94K
Nashoba Reg School District	—	\$57K	\$219K	\$98K	\$91K	\$128K	\$83K	\$103K	\$465K	\$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
Whally Computer Associates, Inc.	\$1.7M	\$461K	\$910K	\$1.7M	\$1.2M	\$1.1M	\$67K	\$605K	\$6.0M	\$1.2M
Comcast Business Communications	\$351K	\$470K	\$499K	\$541K	\$632K	\$578K	\$478K	\$537K	\$2.5M	\$499K
Celt- Center For Educational Leadership & Technology	\$236K	\$223K	\$225K	\$273K	\$731K	\$719K	\$929K	\$1.1M	\$1.7M	\$337K
Custom Computer Specialist, Inc.	\$58K	\$50K	\$31K	\$95K	\$961K	\$162K	\$97K	\$30K	\$1.2M	\$239K
Eplus Technology, Inc.	\$4K	\$6K	\$86K	\$232K	\$205K	\$60K	\$29K	\$163K	\$534K	\$107K
Windstream Communications, Llc	\$9K	\$127K	\$143K	\$114K	\$141K	\$105K	\$128K	\$110K	\$534K	\$107K
The Ockers Company	—	\$37K	\$314K	\$109K	\$28K	\$55K	\$7K	\$27K	\$487K	\$97K
Cherryroad Technologies Inc.	\$74K	\$94K	\$104K	\$100K	\$87K	\$83K	\$98K	—	\$459K	\$92K
Convergeone, Inc.	—	\$290K	\$150K	—	—	—	—	—	\$440K	\$88K
Micronet Associates Inc.	\$2K	—	—	\$256K	—	—	—	—	\$258K	\$52K

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	6,292	5,598	4,818	4,464	4,323	6,277	5,525	4,763	4,426	4,246

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