

# **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	\$2,902,446	\$5,108,987	\$6,053,430	\$4,107,125	\$4,026,074	\$5,078,566	\$3,475,975	\$3,400,400
Average Discount Rate	81%	81%	80%	81%	79%	81%	81%	73%
Number of Service Providers	20	18	24	21	20	21	17	18
Number of Billed Entities	51	49	49	49	51	50	47	49
— School District BENs	36	33	33	33	35	35	32	34
— School BENs	4	5	5	5	5	4	4	4
— Library BENs	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11
— Consortium BENs	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

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

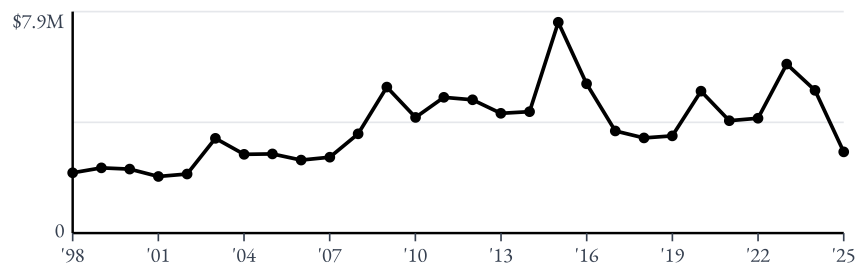


Table 2. E-Rate Subsidies by Service Type

Service Type	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Voice	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	\$7,501
Telecomm Services	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Internal Connections	\$1,211,959	\$2,548,926	\$3,603,565	\$1,608,390	\$1,754,150	\$961,112	\$1,289,240	\$764,648
Data Transmission and/or Internet Access	\$1,653,112	\$2,414,000	\$2,322,479	\$2,321,860	\$2,058,068	\$3,899,203	\$2,111,515	\$2,561,931
Basic Maintenance of Internal Connections	\$4,654	\$4,688	—	—	\$4,608	\$20,831	\$7,996	\$13,837
Managed Internal Broadband Services	\$32,721	\$141,374	\$127,386	\$176,876	\$209,248	\$197,419	\$67,225	\$52,482
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
Desoto County School District	\$767K	\$544K	\$1.4M	\$448K	\$332K	\$418K	—	\$269K	<b>\$3.5M</b>	\$701K
Tupelo School District	\$14K	\$347K	\$790K	\$217K	\$135K	\$189K	\$182K	\$214K	<b>\$1.5M</b>	\$301K
Lowndes County Schools	—	\$86K	\$778K	\$84K	\$77K	\$76K	\$74K	\$117K	<b>\$1.0M</b>	\$205K
Prentiss County School Dist	\$115K	\$310K	\$188K	\$179K	\$60K	\$73K	\$204K	\$60K	<b>\$852K</b>	\$170K
Tishomingo Co School District	\$95K	\$490K	\$61K	\$64K	\$65K	\$145K	\$234K	\$156K	<b>\$775K</b>	\$155K
West Point Consolidated School District	\$54K	\$64K	\$64K	\$503K	\$62K	\$181K	\$65K	\$77K	<b>\$747K</b>	\$149K
Corinth School District	\$128K	\$126K	\$168K	\$160K	\$152K	\$122K	\$89K	\$90K	<b>\$733K</b>	\$147K
Pontotoc County School District	\$10K	\$194K	\$245K	\$60K	\$160K	\$263K	\$93K	\$194K	<b>\$669K</b>	\$134K
Alcorn School District	\$42K	\$50K	\$58K	\$50K	\$467K	\$146K	\$175K	\$48K	<b>\$667K</b>	\$133K
Columbus Municipal School District	\$99K	\$229K	\$156K	\$92K	\$81K	\$81K	\$80K	\$79K	<b>\$656K</b>	\$131K

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
Telepak Networks, Inc.	\$1.4M	\$1.9M	\$1.8M	\$1.7M	\$1.5M	\$2.3M	\$414K	\$653K	<b>\$8.3M</b>	\$1.7M
Synergetics Diversified Computer Services, Inc	\$95K	\$832K	\$1.6M	\$252K	\$877K	\$579K	\$447K	\$203K	<b>\$3.7M</b>	\$736K
Innovative Software, Inc.	\$525K	\$1.4M	\$341K	\$115K	\$456K	\$331K	\$554K	\$103K	<b>\$2.8M</b>	\$566K
Howard Technology Solutions	\$220K	\$241K	\$384K	\$953K	\$511K	\$113K	\$287K	\$90K	<b>\$2.3M</b>	\$462K
Business Communications, Inc.	\$376K	—	\$653K	\$80K	—	—	—	—	<b>\$1.1M</b>	\$222K
Zayo Education, Llc	\$91K	\$134K	\$195K	\$147K	\$49K	\$56K	\$50K	\$48K	<b>\$616K</b>	\$123K
Southern Light, Llc	\$138K	\$112K	\$112K	\$140K	\$48K	\$153K	—	—	<b>\$549K</b>	\$110K
Office Management Systems, Inc.	—	—	\$498K	—	—	—	—	—	<b>\$498K</b>	\$100K
Presidio Networked Solutions Llc	—	—	\$72K	\$228K	\$114K	—	\$40K	—	<b>\$414K</b>	\$83K
Bellsouth Telecommunications, Llc	—	\$72K	\$72K	\$88K	\$107K	\$716K	\$728K	\$750K	<b>\$338K</b>	\$68K

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	5,472	3,998	4,670	3,961	3,484	5,472	3,986	4,670	3,959	3,469

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