

# **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	\$1,887,837	\$2,981,518	\$4,602,183	\$4,826,026	\$3,840,555	\$3,674,838	\$2,809,021	\$3,069,758
Average Discount Rate	65%	61%	60%	64%	64%	61%	61%	51%
Number of Service Providers	33	28	31	32	34	31	34	38
Number of Billed Entities	52	52	54	57	55	54	54	58
— School District BENs	35	35	36	36	37	37	37	38
— School BENs	16	15	16	18	15	15	14	15
— Library BENs	1	2	2	3	3	2	3	5

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

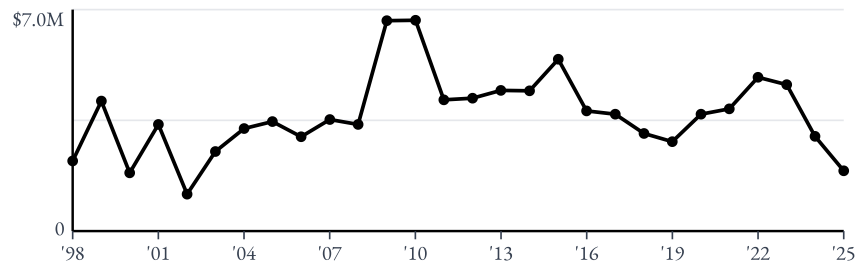


Table 2. E-Rate Subsidies by Service Type

Service Type	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Voice	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	\$49,245
Telecomm Services	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Internal Connections	\$1,140,541	\$1,129,912	\$2,716,080	\$2,971,922	\$1,907,977	\$1,899,195	\$1,102,776	\$1,325,497
Data Transmission and/or Internet Access	\$740,976	\$1,835,352	\$1,837,970	\$1,796,638	\$1,867,915	\$1,721,788	\$1,689,216	\$1,684,661
Basic Maintenance of Internal Connections	\$6,320	\$13,067	\$33,632	\$32,365	\$39,562	\$50,495	\$17,029	\$10,354
Managed Internal Broadband Services	—	\$3,187	\$14,502	\$25,101	\$25,101	\$3,360	—	—
Wi-Fi Hotspots 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
New Brunswick School District	\$129K	\$273K	\$301K	\$625K	\$1.1M	\$867K	\$250K	\$372K	<b>\$2.4M</b>	\$489K
Perth Amboy School District	–	\$71K	\$1.5M	\$201K	\$61K	\$461K	\$64K	\$93K	<b>\$1.9M</b>	\$376K
Woodbridge Twp School District	\$33K	\$200K	\$346K	\$692K	\$194K	\$37K	\$29K	\$24K	<b>\$1.5M</b>	\$293K
Edison Twp School District	\$356K	\$229K	\$296K	\$202K	\$202K	\$384K	\$765K	\$200K	<b>\$1.3M</b>	\$257K
Sayreville School District	–	\$163K	\$232K	\$726K	\$162K	\$168K	\$165K	\$495K	<b>\$1.3M</b>	\$257K
Long Branch School District	\$188K	\$383K	\$66K	\$367K	\$87K	\$229K	\$114K	\$560K	<b>\$1.1M</b>	\$218K
Carteret Public Schools	\$124K	\$123K	\$558K	\$109K	\$109K	\$89K	\$59K	\$143K	<b>\$1.0M</b>	\$204K
Piscataway Twp School District	\$26K	\$55K	\$44K	\$746K	\$89K	\$111K	\$191K	\$20K	<b>\$960K</b>	\$192K
Neptune Twp School District	–	\$37K	\$28K	\$37K	\$551K	\$169K	\$36K	\$25K	<b>\$653K</b>	\$131K
Middlesex County Magnet Schools	\$30K	\$279K	\$77K	\$96K	\$93K	\$95K	\$74K	\$96K	<b>\$576K</b>	\$115K

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
Cablevision Lightpath Nj Llc	\$223K	\$881K	\$782K	\$797K	\$899K	\$857K	\$535K	\$522K	<b>\$3.6M</b>	\$716K
Aspire Technology Partners, Llc	\$654K	\$326K	\$617K	\$605K	\$642K	\$138K	–	\$125K	<b>\$2.8M</b>	\$569K
Shi International Corpo.	\$27K	\$194K	\$1.5M	\$232K	\$20K	\$417K	\$16K	–	<b>\$2.0M</b>	\$393K
Lighttower Fiber Networks Ii, Llc	\$228K	\$395K	\$383K	\$364K	\$332K	\$331K	\$362K	\$357K	<b>\$1.7M</b>	\$341K
Core Bts, Inc.	\$33K	\$200K	\$313K	\$660K	\$181K	\$41K	–	\$3K	<b>\$1.4M</b>	\$277K
Computer Design & Integration Llc	–	–	\$0	\$398K	\$794K	\$777K	\$565K	\$79K	<b>\$1.2M</b>	\$239K
Xtel Communications, Inc.	\$56K	\$255K	\$194K	\$122K	\$176K	\$144K	\$157K	\$187K	<b>\$803K</b>	\$161K
Comcast Business Communications	\$10K	\$135K	\$187K	\$223K	\$224K	\$217K	\$185K	\$185K	<b>\$779K</b>	\$156K
Eplus Technology, Inc.	–	–	–	\$698K	–	\$24K	\$134K	–	<b>\$698K</b>	\$140K
Turn-Key Technologies, Inc.	\$118K	\$76K	\$225K	\$109K	\$92K	\$293K	\$158K	\$3K	<b>\$619K</b>	\$124K

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	5,535	4,794	4,493	3,592	3,266	5,535	4,794	5,956	4,929	4,715

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