

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	\$683,396	\$1,150,887	\$791,396	\$1,025,575	\$918,377	\$1,189,008	\$1,029,827	\$813,959
Average Discount Rate	63%	58%	61%	63%	59%	60%	56%	55%
Number of Service Providers	22	12	12	16	12	16	15	23
Number of Billed Entities	47	47	45	46	45	46	45	44
— School District BENs	20	20	19	19	19	19	19	19
— School BENs	26	26	25	26	25	26	25	23
— Library BENs	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
— Consortium BENs	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

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

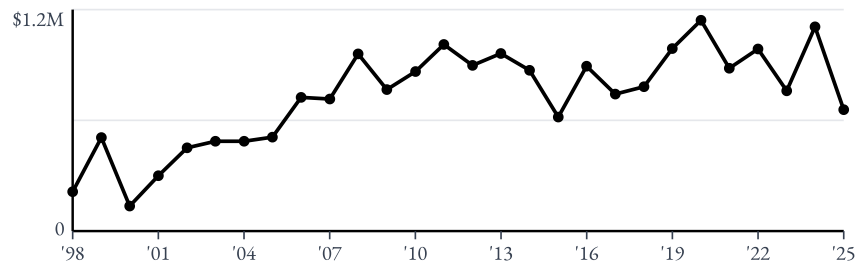


Table 2. E-Rate Subsidies by Service Type

Service Type	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Voice	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	\$7,388
Telecomm Services	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Internal Connections	\$329,044	\$579,767	\$277,262	\$466,415	\$355,026	\$564,601	\$535,037	\$397,160
Data Transmission and/or Internet Access	\$334,629	\$380,062	\$408,727	\$459,545	\$483,250	\$547,973	\$485,042	\$394,774
Basic Maintenance of Internal Connections	\$0	\$0	\$680	—	\$16,201	\$14,935	\$9,748	\$11,767
Managed Internal Broadband Services	\$19,723	\$191,058	\$104,727	\$99,614	\$63,900	\$61,500	—	\$2,870

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
Warwick School Department	\$28K	\$119K	\$159K	\$182K	\$171K	\$92K	\$97K	\$79K	\$660K	\$132K
North Kingstown School Dist	\$21K	\$353K	\$27K	\$27K	\$28K	\$28K	\$28K	\$106K	\$456K	\$91K
Westerly School District	\$5K	\$7K	\$8K	\$260K	\$8K	\$7K	\$74K	\$8K	\$288K	\$58K
Ccap- Cranston Child Development Center	\$28K	\$27K	\$29K	\$103K	\$43K	\$43K	\$22K	\$22K	\$230K	\$46K
Cranston Public Schools	\$171K	\$11K	\$15K	\$15K	\$15K	\$15K	\$79K	\$10K	\$226K	\$45K
West Warwick School District	\$40K	\$55K	\$60K	\$37K	\$30K	\$30K	\$30K	\$55K	\$222K	\$44K
Foster-Glocester School Dist	\$34K	\$5K	\$7K	\$5K	\$164K	\$125K	\$18K	\$8K	\$216K	\$43K
Exeter-West Greenwich Reg Dist	\$9K	\$11K	\$147K	\$12K	\$22K	\$13K	\$56K	\$44K	\$201K	\$40K
Spurwink School	\$15K	\$23K	\$18K	\$51K	\$50K	\$46K	\$48K	\$32K	\$157K	\$31K
Johnston Public Schools	\$12K	\$23K	\$16K	\$37K	\$61K	\$44K	\$29K	\$35K	\$149K	\$30K

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
Oshean Inc	\$212K	\$256K	\$286K	\$291K	\$309K	\$377K	\$317K	\$262K	\$1.4M	\$271K
Whally Computer Associates, Inc.	\$11K	\$228K	\$179K	\$416K	\$135K	\$130K	\$101K	\$69K	\$968K	\$194K
Eplus Technology, Inc.	\$22K	\$395K	\$26K	\$23K	\$176K	\$177K	\$166K	\$105K	\$643K	\$129K
Cox Rhode Island Telcom, Llc	\$121K	\$125K	\$99K	\$148K	\$150K	\$146K	\$137K	\$109K	\$642K	\$128K
Custom Computer Specialist, Inc.	\$162K	—	—	\$8K	\$3K	—	\$13K	—	\$173K	\$35K
Govconnection, Inc.	\$19K	—	\$135K	—	\$9K	\$0	—	\$7K	\$163K	\$33K
Wyebot, Inc.	\$8K	\$43K	\$32K	—	—	—	—	—	\$83K	\$17K
Integration, Inc	—	—	—	\$79K	—	—	—	—	\$79K	\$16K
Shi International Corpo.	\$58K	—	—	\$19K	—	—	—	—	\$77K	\$15K
Windstream Communications, Llc	—	—	\$23K	\$22K	\$23K	\$24K	\$31K	\$33K	\$68K	\$14K

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	1,369	998	1,016	976	952	1,358	978	1,008	824	949

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