

# **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	\$2,477,461	\$3,486,458	\$3,351,819	\$3,842,838	\$5,048,237	\$2,964,531	\$3,369,054	\$2,960,634
Average Discount Rate	66%	69%	64%	73%	68%	68%	64%	66%
Number of Service Providers	20	15	16	15	18	14	17	20
Number of Billed Entities	18	19	20	22	24	22	22	20
— School District BENs	7	7	7	7	6	6	6	6
— School BENs	6	6	6	5	6	6	5	5
— Library BENs	4	4	5	5	5	4	5	4
— Consortium BENs	1	2	2	5	7	6	6	5

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

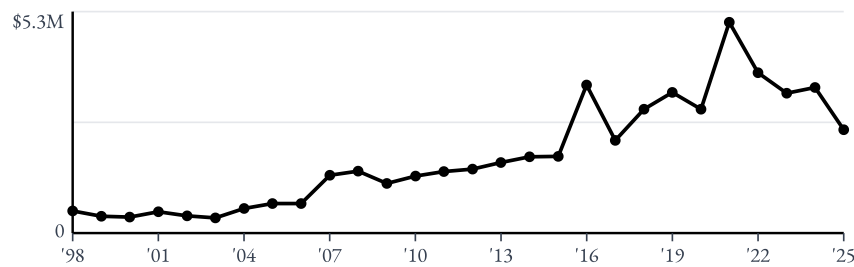


Table 2. E-Rate Subsidies by Service Type

Service Type	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Voice	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	\$3,618
Telecomm Services	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Internal Connections	\$675,797	\$702,685	\$708,567	\$1,126,133	\$2,336,872	\$168,252	\$550,517	\$293,357
Data Transmission and/or Internet Access	\$1,776,548	\$2,689,547	\$2,625,829	\$2,698,905	\$2,693,006	\$2,777,921	\$2,811,940	\$2,657,061
Basic Maintenance of Internal Connections	—	\$2,592	\$0	—	—	—	—	—
Managed Internal Broadband Services	\$25,117	\$91,635	\$17,422	\$17,800	\$18,358	\$18,358	\$6,597	\$6,597

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
Maury County School District	\$693K	\$996K	\$927K	\$887K	\$2.5M	\$929K	\$1.0M	\$947K	<b>\$6.0M</b>	\$1.2M
Marshall County Board Of Educ	\$382K	\$480K	\$480K	\$1.1M	\$571K	\$523K	\$555K	\$465K	<b>\$3.0M</b>	\$593K
Wilson County School District	\$845K	\$530K	\$851K	\$443K	\$281K	\$294K	\$678K	\$319K	<b>\$2.9M</b>	\$590K
Lebanon Special School Dist	\$262K	\$513K	\$260K	\$336K	\$429K	\$305K	\$267K	\$346K	<b>\$1.8M</b>	\$360K
Williamson County School Dist	—	\$393K	\$413K	\$401K	\$359K	\$416K	\$400K	\$408K	<b>\$1.6M</b>	\$313K
Lewis County School District	\$162K	\$127K	\$149K	\$108K	\$261K	\$110K	\$57K	\$68K	<b>\$807K</b>	\$161K
Noble Education Initiative	—	\$163K	\$54K	\$54K	\$112K	—	—	—	<b>\$383K</b>	\$77K
Lead Public Schools, Inc.	—	—	—	\$313K	\$59K	\$39K	\$74K	\$75K	<b>\$371K</b>	\$74K
Valor Collegiate Academies	\$58K	\$145K	\$107K	\$38K	—	—	—	—	<b>\$349K</b>	\$70K
Stem Preparatory Consortium	—	—	—	\$42K	\$164K	\$145K	\$111K	\$111K	<b>\$205K</b>	\$41K

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
Zayo Education, Llc	\$1.2M	\$1.9M	\$1.8M	\$1.8M	\$1.7M	\$1.8M	\$1.7M	\$1.6M	<b>\$8.3M</b>	\$1.7M
Central Knox Inc	\$60K	\$337K	\$119K	\$627K	\$1.9M	\$102K	\$69K	\$85K	<b>\$3.1M</b>	\$616K
At&T Enterprises, Llc	\$252K	\$592K	\$716K	\$469K	\$519K	\$542K	\$564K	\$589K	<b>\$2.5M</b>	\$510K
Cdw Government Llc	\$614K	\$364K	\$582K	\$193K	\$56K	—	\$238K	\$67K	<b>\$1.8M</b>	\$362K
Bellsouth Telecommunications, Llc	\$17K	\$28K	\$28K	\$243K	\$275K	\$270K	\$291K	\$251K	<b>\$590K</b>	\$118K
Technologylab, Llc	—	\$6K	\$0	\$314K	—	—	—	—	<b>\$320K</b>	\$64K
United Data Technologies, Inc.	\$275K	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	<b>\$275K</b>	\$55K
Edutech, Inc.	—	—	\$21K	—	\$163K	—	—	—	<b>\$184K</b>	\$37K
United Data Technologies, Inc.	—	\$90K	—	—	\$81K	—	—	—	<b>\$171K</b>	\$34K
Comcast Business Communications	\$22K	\$32K	\$31K	\$40K	\$35K	\$12K	\$6K	\$8K	<b>\$159K</b>	\$32K

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	5,437	3,062	3,056	3,304	2,577	5,430	3,056	3,048	3,295	2,571

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