

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	\$408,481	\$17,237,509	\$2,253,301	\$6,763,046	\$6,815,514	\$9,328,701	\$7,910,703	\$8,926,871
Average Discount Rate	65%	68%	64%	62%	56%	55%	60%	59%
Number of Service Providers	21	20	19	25	26	23	23	25
Number of Billed Entities	20	19	16	18	16	17	20	22
— School District BENs	16	16	13	16	14	14	16	18
— School BENs	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	1
— Library BENs	3	2	1	1	1	2	2	2
— Consortium BENs	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

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

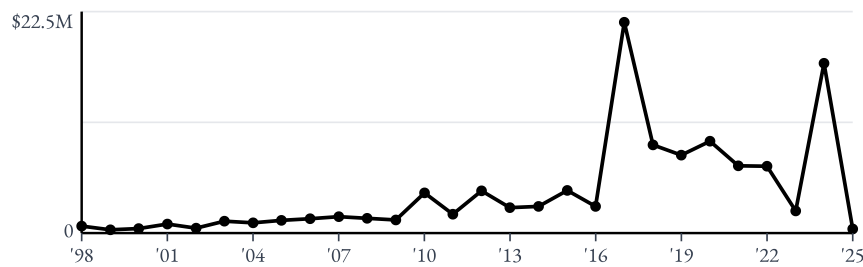


Table 2. E-Rate Subsidies by Service Type

Service Type	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Voice	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	\$4,943
Telecomm Services	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Internal Connections	\$271,637	\$4,632,781	\$366,356	\$1,894,443	\$3,645,403	\$4,878,976	\$423,531	\$285,063
Data Transmission and/or Internet Access	\$136,759	\$12,582,734	\$1,886,945	\$4,861,911	\$3,165,998	\$4,449,725	\$7,487,171	\$8,636,865
Basic Maintenance of Internal Connections	—	\$0	—	\$6,692	\$4,113	—	—	—
Managed Internal Broadband Services	\$85	\$21,994	—	—	—	—	—	—
Wi-Fi Hotspots Services and Equipment	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
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
Esc Region 11 Consortium	—	\$5.4M	\$1.1M	\$3.3M	\$2.0M	\$3.6M	\$5.3M	\$7.6M	\$11.7M	\$2.3M
Northwest Indep School Dist	—	\$7.3M	\$114K	\$1.3M	\$707K	\$1.1M	\$477K	\$189K	\$9.5M	\$1.9M
Lewisville Isd	—	\$383K	\$320K	\$303K	\$2.8M	\$2.3M	\$315K	\$305K	\$3.8M	\$758K
Denton Indep School District	—	\$3.3M	\$31K	\$31K	\$31K	\$1.4M	\$1.3M	\$64K	\$3.4M	\$685K
Little Elm Isd	\$21K	\$143K	\$21K	\$851K	\$30K	\$59K	\$28K	\$43K	\$1.1M	\$213K
Responsive Education Solution	—	\$149K	\$150K	\$179K	\$262K	\$289K	\$173K	\$381K	\$740K	\$148K
Gainesville Indep School Dist	\$116K	\$44K	\$259K	\$44K	\$154K	\$104K	\$88K	\$90K	\$617K	\$123K
Ponder Indep School District	—	—	—	\$545K	—	\$197K	\$19K	\$19K	\$545K	\$109K
Lake Dallas Indep Sch District	\$5K	\$10K	\$100K	\$17K	\$281K	\$172K	\$26K	\$42K	\$412K	\$82K
Aubrey Indep School District	—	\$344K	\$39K	—	—	—	—	\$33K	\$383K	\$77K

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 Group, Llc	\$3K	\$5.2M	\$1.2M	\$3.4M	\$1.5M	\$1.6M	\$5.3M	\$7.5M	\$11.3M	\$2.3M
Netsync Network Solutions	—	\$3.6M	\$12K	\$690K	\$2.9M	\$5.4M	\$1.7M	\$179K	\$7.2M	\$1.4M
Millennium Telecom, Llc	—	\$6.5M	\$81K	\$464K	\$64K	\$53K	\$53K	\$53K	\$7.1M	\$1.4M
Red River Technology Llc	—	\$475K	—	\$835K	\$610K	\$965K	—	—	\$1.9M	\$384K
Unite Private Networks, Llc	—	\$383K	\$320K	\$303K	\$360K	\$319K	\$315K	\$305K	\$1.4M	\$273K
Cdw Government Llc	\$5K	—	\$83K	—	\$677K	\$282K	—	\$200K	\$766K	\$153K
Muenster Telephone Corporation Of Texas	\$210K	\$156K	\$95K	\$101K	\$101K	\$102K	\$152K	\$150K	\$663K	\$133K
Resilient Intelligent Networks, Llc	\$72K	—	\$215K	\$47K	\$87K	—	—	—	\$422K	\$84K
Southwest Networks, Inc.	—	—	—	\$322K	\$69K	—	—	—	\$390K	\$78K
Tyler Communications Systems Inc.	—	\$322K	\$39K	—	—	—	—	—	\$361K	\$72K

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	42,692	44,447	58,203	68,909	74,248	42,692	44,444	58,196	68,895	74,224

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