

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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Table 1. E-Rate Funding Overview

Indicator	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Total E-Rate Subsidies	\$1,630,711	\$7,322,969	\$4,680,845	\$6,721,941	\$10,945,176	\$8,208,771	\$7,941,735	\$37,404,941
Average Discount Rate	81%	83%	82%	82%	82%	81%	83%	64%
Number of Service Providers	27	25	23	24	27	30	28	33
Number of Billed Entities	29	26	25	25	30	35	35	39
— School District BENs	22	21	20	19	23	28	28	29
— School BENs	3	1	1	2	3	3	4	6
— Library BENs	3	3	3	3	3	3	2	2
— Consortium BENs	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2

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

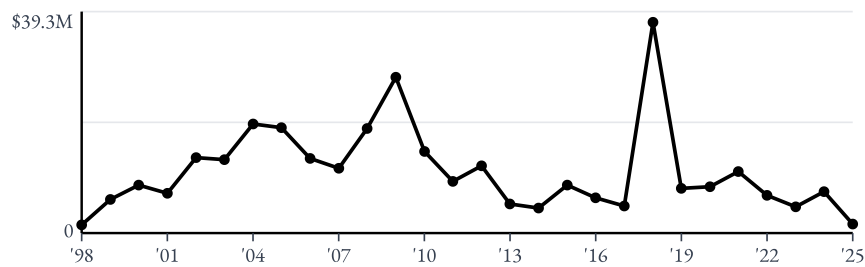


Table 2. E-Rate Subsidies by Service Type

Service Type	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Voice	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	\$52,692
Telecomm Services	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Internal Connections	\$1,424,633	\$1,596,728	\$2,419,690	\$4,250,342	\$8,272,753	\$4,363,558	\$2,280,926	\$504,818
Data Transmission and/or Internet Access	\$206,078	\$5,721,386	\$2,257,646	\$2,471,599	\$2,661,798	\$3,843,786	\$5,654,250	\$36,846,411
Basic Maintenance of Internal Connections	—	\$4,855	\$3,509	—	\$10,625	\$1,428	\$6,560	\$1,020
Managed Internal Broadband Services	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
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
Harlandale Indep School Dist	\$20K	\$3.7M	\$271K	\$228K	\$1.9M	\$618K	\$423K	\$259K	\$6.1M	\$1.2M
United Isd	–	\$43K	\$1.8M	\$1.9M	\$2.4M	\$2.8M	\$235K	\$235K	\$6.1M	\$1.2M
Laredo Indep School District	\$894K	\$339K	\$343K	\$1.5M	\$1.8M	\$1.2M	\$498K	\$1.1M	\$4.9M	\$975K
Esc Region 20 Fiber Consortium	–	\$881K	\$718K	\$893K	\$948K	\$1.6M	\$2.5M	\$33.8M	\$3.4M	\$688K
East Central School District	\$257K	\$341K	\$332K	\$263K	\$446K	\$432K	\$790K	\$192K	\$1.6M	\$328K
Rio Grande City School Dist	–	\$238K	\$77K	\$952K	\$136K	\$91K	\$387K	\$423K	\$1.4M	\$281K
Compass Rose Public Schools	\$95K	\$174K	\$323K	\$341K	\$332K	\$98K	\$42K	–	\$1.3M	\$253K
Roma Indep School District	–	–	–	–	\$912K	\$230K	\$789K	\$130K	\$912K	\$182K
South Texas Indep School Dist	–	\$205K	\$172K	\$63K	\$344K	\$143K	\$180K	\$102K	\$784K	\$157K
Zapata County Indep School District	–	–	–	–	\$522K	\$84K	\$273K	\$84K	\$522K	\$104K

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
Insight Public Sector Inc	\$894K	\$142K	\$109K	\$1.1M	\$1.6M	\$336K	\$106K	\$3K	\$3.8M	\$768K
Zayo Group, Llc	\$20K	\$913K	\$732K	\$915K	\$970K	\$1.6M	\$3.5M	\$33.8M	\$3.5M	\$710K
Layer 3 Communications, Llc	–	\$3.4M	–	–	–	–	–	–	\$3.4M	\$680K
Solid It Networks, Inc.	–	–	\$591K	–	\$2.2M	\$2.5M	–	–	\$2.7M	\$549K
Netsync Network Solutions	–	\$164K	\$552K	\$858K	\$1.0M	\$725K	\$1.1M	\$992K	\$2.6M	\$517K
Intech Southwest Service Llc	\$36K	\$355K	\$274K	\$74K	\$1.5M	\$417K	\$249K	\$12K	\$2.2M	\$448K
M1 Networks, Inc.	–	–	\$497K	\$1.7M	–	–	–	–	\$2.2M	\$440K
Smartcom Telephone, Llc	\$47K	\$302K	\$427K	\$541K	\$592K	\$626K	\$657K	\$613K	\$1.9M	\$382K
Great South Texas Corporation	\$257K	\$380K	\$264K	\$194K	\$435K	\$348K	\$589K	–	\$1.5M	\$306K
Foremost Telecommunications Corporation	–	\$321K	\$321K	\$321K	\$390K	\$390K	\$417K	\$437K	\$1.4M	\$270K

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	122,992	114,358	42,121	42,647	41,676	122,957	114,357	42,121	42,647	41,673

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