

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	\$2,668,073	\$8,015,916	\$6,554,115	\$7,095,354	\$6,948,193	\$5,986,881	\$7,773,848	\$6,476,533
Average Discount Rate	74%	75%	73%	70%	71%	73%	70%	67%
Number of Service Providers	56	47	48	44	54	51	56	58
Number of Billed Entities	59	59	56	56	54	55	58	51
— School District BENs	44	42	38	37	37	40	41	34
— School BENs	5	8	9	9	7	5	6	6
— Library BENs	8	7	7	8	8	8	9	9
— Consortium BENs	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2

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

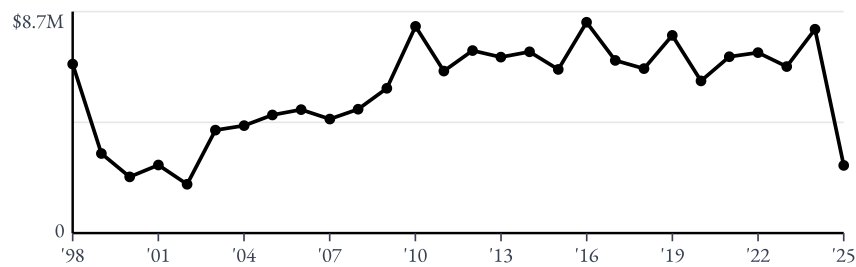


Table 2. E-Rate Subsidies by Service Type

Service Type	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Voice	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	\$9,760
Telecomm Services	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Internal Connections	\$1,739,981	\$1,903,457	\$895,707	\$1,431,098	\$1,859,176	\$1,344,068	\$2,239,518	\$818,147
Data Transmission and/or Internet Access	\$863,220	\$5,986,796	\$5,578,683	\$5,558,125	\$4,980,160	\$4,557,064	\$5,476,290	\$5,615,568
Basic Maintenance of Internal Connections	\$8,414	\$10,827	\$8,975	\$15,607	\$14,444	\$23,991	\$16,275	\$7,456
Managed Internal Broadband Services	\$56,459	\$114,836	\$70,750	\$90,524	\$94,412	\$61,758	\$41,764	\$25,603
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
Washington Ofm K20	–	\$4.2M	\$4.2M	\$3.9M	\$3.5M	\$2.9M	\$4.1M	\$4.2M	\$15.9M	\$3.2M
Central Valley Sch Dist 356	\$436K	\$133K	\$132K	\$362K	\$408K	\$276K	\$202K	\$141K	\$1.5M	\$294K
Spokane County Library Dist	\$234K	\$239K	\$250K	\$433K	\$263K	\$246K	\$396K	\$171K	\$1.4M	\$284K
Mead School District 354	\$529K	\$376K	\$72K	\$150K	\$198K	\$278K	\$130K	\$91K	\$1.3M	\$265K
Spokane School District 81	–	\$530K	\$137K	\$287K	\$307K	\$434K	\$1.5M	\$512K	\$1.3M	\$252K
Walla Walla School Dist 140	\$192K	\$48K	\$57K	\$53K	\$754K	\$318K	\$89K	\$58K	\$1.1M	\$221K
Cheney Public Sch District 360	\$12K	\$516K	\$175K	\$137K	–	\$32K	\$131K	\$189K	\$840K	\$168K
West Valley School Dist 363	\$161K	\$329K	\$110K	\$90K	\$95K	\$95K	\$146K	\$165K	\$785K	\$157K
East Valley School District 361	–	\$120K	\$104K	\$386K	\$96K	\$365K	\$99K	\$99K	\$706K	\$141K
North Franklin Dist J51-162	\$118K	\$310K	\$84K	\$74K	\$77K	\$77K	\$230K	\$77K	\$663K	\$133K

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
Startouch Inc.	–	\$1.1M	\$1.1M	\$1.3M	\$1.2M	\$1.2M	\$1.1M	\$1.2M	\$4.8M	\$960K
Fatbeam, Llc	\$428K	\$1.1M	\$982K	\$827K	\$633K	\$622K	\$709K	\$506K	\$4.0M	\$795K
Ednetics, Inc.	\$763K	\$648K	\$135K	\$947K	\$1.2M	\$647K	\$457K	\$110K	\$3.7M	\$747K
Jamestown Sklallam Tribe Economic Development Authority	\$0	\$741K	\$683K	\$573K	\$542K	\$469K	\$734K	\$701K	\$2.5M	\$508K
Centurylink Qwest Corporation	–	\$636K	\$519K	\$467K	\$404K	\$385K	\$416K	\$392K	\$2.0M	\$405K
Centurylink Centurytel Of Washington, Inc.	–	\$432K	\$488K	\$180K	\$173K	\$5K	\$24K	\$29K	\$1.3M	\$254K
Zayo Group, Llc	\$102K	\$238K	\$223K	\$254K	\$362K	\$444K	\$476K	\$628K	\$1.2M	\$236K
Comcast Business Communications	–	\$271K	\$305K	\$311K	\$278K	\$142K	\$752K	\$738K	\$1.2M	\$233K
Ziply Fiber Northwest, Llc	–	\$275K	\$277K	\$250K	\$212K	\$171K	\$265K	\$243K	\$1.0M	\$203K
Micro Computer Systems, Inc.	\$39K	\$512K	\$75K	\$156K	\$201K	\$142K	\$218K	\$352K	\$982K	\$196K

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	125,099	123,100	123,033	123,031	121,844	125,089	123,089	123,031	123,030	121,843

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