



Hawaii offers a map of public Wi-Fi locations, detailing which have limited versus unlimited access.

## HAWAII

## POPULATION: 1.41 MILLION COUNTIES: 5

Hawaii is made up of eight major and 129 minor islands. The Commission evaluated 1.4 million residents and found that 1.3 million people (97.9%) had access to a fixed broadband connection at minimum speeds. In rural Hawaii, it determined that 113,000 of 134,000 residents (84.7%) have fixed broadband access. Among urban populations, the agency found that 99.3% of 1.3 million residents had access to a fixed connection at minimum speeds.

Senator Brian Schatz is currently one of many cosponsors to the Senate versions of the Accessible, Affordable, Internet for All Act. This legislation directs the FCC to collect data on prices charged throughout the country in addition to the data the FCC currently collects for its mapping program.

The State of Hawaii offers an interactive broadband map and residents can fill out a survey to collect crowdsourced information about broadband availability. Hawaii also offers a map of locations where there is a public Wi-Fi hotspot with one hour of free service; these locations are part of the Wi-Fi pilot program, which offers unlimited access to public Wi-Fi and Wi-Fi during business hours at public library locations. Both of these maps can be overlaid on the state broadband map. Hawaii's 2019 report shows the results of speed tests across the state and compares it to data from 2018, 2017, and 2016.

## **Additional Resources:**

- Internet disconnect: Pandemic amplifies broadband access limits
- Hawaii Schools Under Pressure To
   Provide More Data About Remote
   Learning
- Access, Literacy, and Livelihood:
   Broadband Hui Leverages Public and
   Private Collaborations to Support
   Digital Equity for All Hawaii Residents