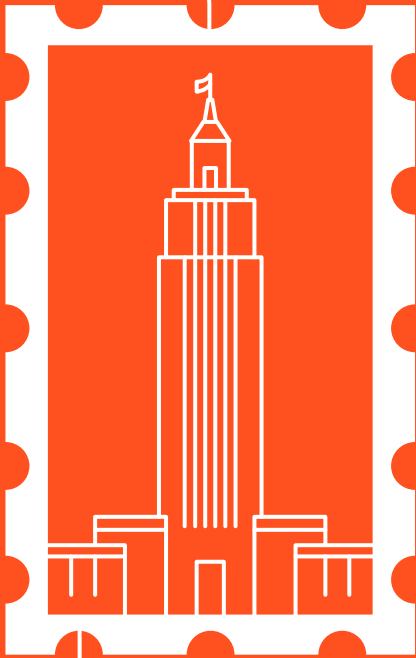


# LOUISIANA

POPULATION: 4.63 MILLION  
64 PARISHES



Louisiana is currently in the process of implementing its Broadband for Everyone Plan to improve both the adoption and availability of broadband service for Louisiana residents with up to 100 Mbps symmetrical speeds.

The FCC evaluated 4.6 million Louisiana residents and found that 4.1 million (88.4%) had access to a fixed broadband connection at minimum speeds. In rural areas, of 1.3 million evaluated, 812,000 (65%) have access to a fixed connection at minimum speeds. The agency concluded that 3.3 of 3.4 million urban residents (97.1%) have fixed broadband access.

Louisiana is currently in the process of implementing its [Broadband for Everyone](#) plan. The ultimate goal of the plan is to:

*Improve both the adoption and availability of broadband service for Louisiana residents by providing universal access to broadband service with minimum committed speed of 25 Megabits per second (Mbps) download and 3 Mbps upload, scalable to up to 100 Mbps download and 100 Mbps upload, for all Louisianans by 2029.*

One part of that plan includes collecting more comprehensive data about broadband availability, particularly whether low cost plans are available and barriers to adoption.

[BroadbandNow](#) estimates that 73% of Louisiana is served by a terrestrial broadband plan and that 56.4% of the state has access to a plan priced below \$60 monthly. According to [Microsoft's November 2019 data](#), around 3.1 million people in Louisiana do not use the Internet at broadband speeds.

**Additional Resource:**

[Under social distancing, rural regions push for more broadband](#)