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Mapping broadband service helps customers know where broadband is available, and it helps grant applicants identify potentially unserved areas.”

—ConnectMaine

The Communication evaluated 1.3 million people in Maine, the northeasternmost U.S. state. It found that 1.3 million residents (96.5%) statewide had access to a fixed broadband connection at 25/3 Mbps speeds.

In urban areas, the FCC evaluated 509,000 people and found that 507,000 people (99.6%) had fixed broadband access. In rural Maine, it concluded that 791,000 of 835,000 people (94.7%) had fixed access to broadband.

[ConnectMaine](#) accepts availability information from providers and also offers a speed test to verify residents’ actual broadband experiences. [Maine’s GIS map](#) includes FCC data from December 2018 and some provider information submitted to Connect Maine before March 2019.

BroadbandNow estimates that [86.6% of Maine residents](#) have access to terrestrial broadband coverage, though only 4.5% have access to a plan priced below \$60 per month. In Maine, Microsoft’s November 2019 data show that about 830,000 people do not use the Internet at broadband speeds.

Additional Resources:

- [Maine Broadband Coalition rolls out speed test and map to get a clearer picture of digital divide](#)
- [Broadband project needs speed testers](#)
- [Mainers seeking Internet upgrade tell stories of poor service to highlight feds’ mistakes](#)
- [States couldn’t afford to wait for the FCC’s broadband maps to improve. So they didn’t](#)