About this data: Fixed performance, Postcode unit area

To create our <u>Connected Nations Report</u> (https://www.ofcom.org.uk/research-and-data/multisector-research/infrastructure-research/connected-nations-2020) Ofcom collected and analysed data from fixed telecoms operators. This file contains broadband coverage availability and performance data from operators. The availability data also includes coverage information provided by alternative network providers. Further information can be found in the <u>Connected Nations</u> <u>Methodology</u> (https://www.ofcom.org.uk/research-and-data/multi-sector-research/infrastructureresearch/connected-nations-2020/methodology).

The performance data was collected as a snapshot in June 2020 and includes information based on the number of connections providing an active broadband service, as opposed to individual premises.

Due to variations in broadband performance over time, the file should not be regarded as a definitive and fixed view of the UK's fixed broadband infrastructure. However, the information provided in this file may be useful in identifying variations in broadband availability.

As a result of the different timing points for these data sets, the files have now been split into coverage availability and performance.

If you have any questions or feedback on the data please contact us at <u>open.data@ofcom.org.uk</u>.

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The files are provided as a Comma Separated Values file, with double quote (") text delimiters where applicable.

Revision

18 Jan 2021: Release 2 contains the missing "number of connection" fields excluded from the original release. Updated file size and record count.

16 Sep 2021: Release 3 correction to units reported in Data usage fields. These were incorrectly calculated as Terabyte values when the label stated Gigabytes. These are now correctly displayed as Gigabyte units of measurement.

28 Sep 2021: Release 3 'postcode_spaces' field included.

Performance data

Due to privacy concerns we have not presented the information in postcodes with less than four broadband connections. Where we have excluded the data for this reason, we have substituted the data with a null value. A total of 400,631 postcodes were entirely excluded from the data as the total number of records was not greater than four. No data was received for a further 182,929 postcodes, when compared to the National Statistics Postcode Lookup.

File name: 202006_fixed_pc_performance_r03_xx.csv where xx defines Postcode area

Total files in folder 202006_fixed_pc_coverage_r03: 121 files, for each postcode area in the UK

Total records across all files: 1 header row, 1,185,512 data rows

File size on disk (uncompressed): 131 MB (137,445,376 bytes)

Column headers and what they represent:

Current headers	Note
postcode	Postcode with spaces removed, such as SE19HA
postcode_spaces	Postcode with single space, such as SE1 9HA
postcode area	Postcode area, such as SE
Median download speed (Mbit/s)	Median download speed (in Mbit/s) of all connections
Average download speed (Mbit/s)	Average download speed (in Mbit/s) of all connections
Maximum download speed (Mbit/s)	Maximum download speed (in Mbit/s) of all connections
Average download speed (Mbit/s) for lines < 10Mbit/s	Average download speed (in Mbit/s) of all connections that deliver speed less than 10Mbit/s
Average download speed (Mbit/s) for lines 10<30Mbit/s	Average download speed (in Mbit/s) of all connections that deliver speeds of 10Mbit/s or higher and less than 30Mbit/s
Average download speed (Mbit/s) for lines 30<300Mbit/s	Average download speed (in Mbit/s) of all connections that deliver speeds of 30Mbit/s to less than 300Mbit/s

Average download speed (in Mbit/s) of all connections that deliver speeds of 300Mbit/s or greater
Average download speed (in Mbit/s) of all connections that deliver speeds of 30Mbit/s or greater
Median upload speed (in Mbit/s) of all connections
Average upload speed (in Mbit/s) of all connections
Maximum upload speed (in Mbit/s) of all connections
Average upload speed (in Mbit/s) of all connections that deliver speed less than 10Mbit/s
Average upload speed (in Mbit/s) of all connections that deliver speed less than 30Mbit/s
Average upload speed (in Mbit/s) of all connections that deliver speed of 30Mbit/s to less than 300Mbit/s
Average upload speed (in Mbit/s) of all connections that deliver speeds of 300Mbit/s or greater
Average upload speed (in Mbit/s) of all connections that deliver speeds of 30Mbit/s or greater
Count of connections that have average measured speeds below 2Mbit/s
Count of connections that have average measured speeds of 2Mbit/s or greater and below 5Mbit/s
Count of connections that have average measured speeds of 5Mbit/s or greater and below 10Mbit/s
Count of connections that have average measured speeds of 10Mbit/s or greater and below 30Mbit/s
Count of connections that have average measured speeds of 30Mbit/s or greater and below 300Mbit/s
Count of connections that have average measured speeds of 300Mbit/s or greater

Number of connections >= 30 Mbit/s (number of lines)	Count of connections that have average measured speeds of 30Mbit/s or greater
Median data usage (GB)	Median data usage, download and upload, in GB of all connections
Average data usage (GB)	Average data usage, download and upload, in GB of all connections
Average data usage (GB) for lines < 10Mbit/s	Average data usage, download and upload, in GB of all connections that deliver speed less than 10Mbit/s
Average data usage (GB) for lines 10<30Mbit/s	Average data usage, download and upload, in GB of all connections that deliver speed less than 30Mbit/s
Average data usage (GB) for lines 30<300Mbit/s	Average data usage, download and upload, in GB of all connections that deliver speed of 30Mbit/s and higher and less than 300Mbit/s
Average data usage (GB) for SFBB lines	Average data usage, download and upload, in GB of all connections that deliver speeds of 30Mbit/s or greater
Average data usage (GB) for UFBB lines	Average data usage, download and upload, in GB of all connections that deliver speeds of 300Mbit/s or greater