The Commission follows developments of telecoms markets in each EU country, reporting on investment, regulation, and markets.

The European Commission has been monitoring Member States’ digital progress through the Digital Economy and Society Index (DESI) reports since 2014. As of 2023, and in line with the Digital Decade Policy Programme 2030, DESI is now integrated into the State of the Digital Decade report and used to monitor progress towards the digital targets.

Based on the main connectivity indicators of the report, such as network coverage, broadband take-up, and prices, the Telecom chapters report on the progress made by Member States towards a gigabit society, including the transition to 5G networks, and on main market and regulatory developments, including spectrum assignment and regulated access. Far from being exhaustive, they cover most areas of the market and end-user interest, i.e. consumer protection, net neutrality, roaming, emergency communications, and universal service.

The Telecom chapters combine the quantitative evidence from the Digital Economy and Society Index (DESI) with country-specific regulatory developments. They track the development of the telecoms markets of each Member State and provide an important feedback loop.
Review the findings of the Telecoms chapters for 2020

Archive documents for previous years:

- **Telecom Chapters 2019**

- **Telecom Chapters 2018**

Previously the telecoms chapters were available as part of Europe's Digital Progress Report (EDPR) country profiles, as an annex.

- **Europe's Digital Progress Report 2017 country profiles - Telecoms chapter**

- **Europe's Digital Progress Report 2016 country profiles - Telecoms chapter**

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Research & Development in ICT in the Digital Economy and Society Index

The Commission follows updates in the ICT sector, including in research and development, which contributes significantly to the EU economy.

Use of Internet and Online Activities in the Digital Economy and Society Index

The Commission measures the number of people using the Internet across the EU and what activities they use it for.

Digital Public Services in the Digital Economy and Society Index

The Commission monitors indicators of digital public services in the EU to ensure citizens and governments are enjoying the full potential of this technology.

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The Commission monitors ‘internet user skills’ and ‘advanced skills and development’ across the EU to ensure people are equipped for the digital decade.

Broadband Connectivity in the Digital Economy and Society Index

The Commission continues to monitor connectivity throughout the EU, measuring both supply and demand of fixed and mobile broadband.

Countries' performance in digitisation

The 2023 Digital Decade country reports outline how each Member State is doing regarding the Digital Decade cardinal points: Digital Skills, Digital Infrastructures, Digitalisation of Businesses and Digitalisation of Public Services.