



News Release

AT&T Invests Nearly \$800 Million Over 3-Year Period to Boost Local Networks in Kansas

TOPEKA, Kan., Sept. 13, 2018 — At [AT&T](#)¹, we've invested nearly \$800 million in our Kansas wireless and wired networks during 2015-2017. These investments boost reliability, coverage, speed and overall performance for residents and businesses. They also improve critical services that support public safety and first responders.

In 2017, AT&T made more than 190 wireless network upgrades in Kansas, including new cell sites, additional capacity at existing cell sites, and upgrades to Distributed Antenna Systems (DAS) at major public venues.

Following the passage of recent state legislation, AT&T will continue its investment in Kansas with additional upgrades.

"We appreciate the Legislature's approach to policies that encourage companies such as AT&T to invest more in network infrastructure," said Rob Reynolds, regional vice president of AT&T Kansas. "Our investments help us maintain our world-class networks and meet customers' ever-increasing demand for faster, more reliable, highly secure broadband, from almost any device – almost anywhere."

"Sustained investment by the private sector is crucial for Kansas to continue to thrive and attract new jobs and innovation," said Kansas Gov. Jeff Colyer. "By continuing to build state-of-the-art infrastructure in our state, AT&T is making business growth possible and assuring that our residents have the tools to stay connected and entertained."

The AT&T LTE network now covers more than 400 million people in North America. Notable Kansas network enhancements in 2017 included:

- Launching 3 new cell sites.
- Adding capacity to more than 180 existing cell sites.
- Upgrading 4 DAS systems at major public venues.
- Continuing to expand our ultra-fast AT&T Fiber internet service, which now can serve more than 100,000 customer locations in the state.

By building out our 4G LTE network, we're laying the foundation for 5G, the next advance in network technologies. We're boosting network speeds and capacity, as we continue to expand the availability of our network using the latest technology.



Since the formation of the FirstNet public-private partnership a little over a year ago, governors from all 50 states, 5 territories and D.C. recognized the value of FirstNet, joining in its mission to strengthen and modernize public safety's communications capabilities.

FirstNet is a new nationwide communications platform dedicated to America's public safety community. As we build, deploy, and evolve FirstNet, we will build upon our current and planned investments in Kansas to help ensure public safety's network delivers the coverage and cutting-edge capabilities first responders expect – today and for decades to come.

For the 4th year in a row, AT&T earned the top spot in the telecommunications industry on FORTUNE's Most Admired Companies list in 2018. We also placed No. 49 among the 50 most admired companies across all industries.

We were ranked first or second in all 9 attributes used to compile the list, including innovation, people management, quality of management, long-term investment value, quality of products/services and global competitiveness.

Our internet offerings

We continue to expand the scope of our ultra-fast internet powered by [AT&T Fiber](#). We now market our ultra-fast internet service powered by AT&T Fiber to more than 100,000 customer locations in Kansas.

We have the largest fiber network within our 21-state wireline footprint.² And AT&T is the largest U.S.-based provider of fiber for business services, creating an unparalleled ability to serve businesses of all sizes.

We also now market a 1 gigabit connection³ on our 100% fiber network to 9 million locations across 71 major metro areas nationwide. We plan to reach at least 14 million locations across at least 84 metro areas by mid-2019 for consumers.

To learn more about our coverage in Kansas, or anywhere in the U.S., visit the [AT&T Coverage Viewer](#). For updates on the AT&T wireless network, please visit the [AT&T network news page](#).

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² Based on publicly available data for the top fiber providers in the AT&T operating footprint.

³ Actual customer speeds may vary. Download speeds are typically up to 940Mbps due to overhead capacity reserved to deliver the data.

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