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AT&T Invests Nearly \$1.15 Billion Over 3-Year Period to Enhance Local Networks in Tennessee

NASHVILLE, Tenn., June 15, 2016 — At [AT&T](#)¹, we've invested nearly \$1.15 billion in our Tennessee wireless and wired networks during 2013 -2015. These investments drive a wide range of upgrades to reliability, coverage, speed and overall performance for residents and businesses. They also enhance critical services that support public safety and first responders.

In 2015, AT&T made 528 wireless network upgrades in Tennessee. We added new cell sites, increased capacity and speeds to existing sites, and expanded the bandwidth of radio frequencies used on many towers.

“In order for Tennessee to continue to thrive and serve its residents, it’s imperative we have companies that invest through thoughtful innovation,” said Bradley Jackson, Interim President – Tennessee Chamber of Commerce & Industry. “Because of the pro-business policies that our leaders in Nashville have pursued over the years, AT&T and other leaders from private industry are making on-going investments in fast, reliable networks that keep Tennessee’s businesses connected and allow for economic growth and job creation.”

Notable Tennessee network enhancements in 2015 included:

- The launch of two new DAS (Distributed Antenna Systems) at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville (Neyland Stadium and Thompson Boling Arena). We also launched a new DAS at Omni Hotel in downtown Nashville.
- The launch of U-verse with AT&T GigaPower in Nashville and surrounding communities including Brentwood, Clarksville, Franklin, Gallatin, Goodlettsville, Hendersonville, Lebanon, Madison, Murfreesboro, Spring Hill and Smyrna.
- More than 28,000 business customer locations across Tennessee with access to AT&T’s fiber-optic network.
- Fast 4G LTE speeds added to 13 cell sites.
- Nearly 360 additional carrier projects increasing the capacity of existing 4G LTE cell sites.
- Expanded the bandwidth of radio frequencies with 154 projects, increasing data speeds and call reliability.



“AT&T’s more than 5,700 employees in Tennessee are turning these billions of dollars of investments into high-speed connections for businesses and residents across the state, and we are proud to connect more Tennesseans – in urban and rural areas alike – than anyone else,” said Joelle Phillips, president of AT&T Tennessee. “Because of the positive, pro-investment policies pursued by our legislative leadership in Nashville and by local leaders across the state, AT&T’s ongoing investments in Tennessee will continue to bring a host of new, innovative opportunities for residents and businesses.”

In 2016, for the second year in a row, FORTUNE magazine recognized AT&T as the Most Admired Telecommunications Company in the world. We also placed #48 among the Top 50 World’s Most Admired companies. This is our third year in a row on the Top 50 list – AT&T is the only communications company on the list. We ranked #1 in all 9 attributes. This included innovation, financial soundness and quality of products/services. FORTUNE’s Most Admired Companies lists are among the most highly respected indicators of corporate performance and reputation.

We offer Internet customers a great combination of speed and price. Additionally, AT&T high-speed Internet² customers have access to our entire national AT&T Wi-Fi Hot Spot Network at no additional charge³. We also offer our award-winning DIRECTV® service to eligible locations. Customers may be eligible for AT&T U-verse TV service, a 100% digital service available over our advanced network. In 2015, Woman’s Choice Awards® named AT&T U-verse TV “America’s Most Recommended Brand among women for Broadband, Television and Phone Service.”

[AT&T GigaPower](#) offers our fastest Internet speeds, up to 1Gbps⁴ over a 100% fiber network to more than 1.6 million locations across 25 major metro areas. We’ve announced plans to expand the availability of Internet speeds up to 1Gbps to homes, apartments and small businesses in parts of 31 additional cities across the U.S. – which will total at least 56 metros served.

We plan to continue to roll out our fastest Internet services over a 100% fiber network to reach more than 14 million additional residential and commercial locations.

We have big plans for 2016. We’ll be giving you the ability to access and stream [DIRECTV](#) video services over a wired or wireless Internet connection from any provider and from virtually any device – smartphone, tablet, Smart TV, streaming media hardware or PC. We plan for each service to come with a set number of simultaneous sessions. These services will not require annual contracts, satellite dishes or set-top boxes.

We have an extensive Wi-Fi network with more than 40,000 AT&T Wi-Fi Hot Spots at popular restaurants, hotels, bookstores and retailers. We provide access to Wi-Fi at more



than 1 million Hot Spots around the world. Most AT&T smartphone and home Internet customers get access to our entire national Wi-Fi network at no additional cost. Wi-Fi usage doesn't count towards customers' monthly wireless data plans.⁵

To learn more about our coverage in Tennessee, 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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⁵ A Wi-Fi enabled device required. Other restrictions apply. See attwifi.com for details and locations.