



News Release

AT&T Invests Nearly \$1.8 Billion Over 3-Year Period to Boost Local Networks in Missouri

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Sept. 6, 2018 — At [AT&T](#)¹, we've invested nearly \$1.8 billion in our Missouri 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 about 570 wireless network upgrades in Missouri, including new cell sites, carrier additions to expand capacity at existing cell sites, and upgrades to Distributed Antenna Systems (DAS) at public venues.

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

“Recent legislation in Missouri encourages companies to invest more in network infrastructure,” said Craig Unruh, president of AT&T Missouri. “Our customers expect to have access at any moment, from almost any device – almost anywhere. And we’re investing heavily to deliver faster, more reliable, highly secure connectivity to meet - and exceed - those expectations. This investment will pave the path to 5G mobile services in the years ahead.”

“AT&T’s network investment in Missouri is exactly what we need to help grow a thriving, prosperous state economy,” said Missouri Governor Mike Parson. “These infrastructure investments help keep residents connected to vital resources, enable businesses to grow their operations and expand their workforce, and play an important role in working to move Missouri forward.”

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

- The launch of 8 new cell sites.
- Carrier additions at more than 550 existing cell sites to expand capacity.
- One new Distributed Antenna System (DAS) and upgrades to 7 existing DAS in major public venues across 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 Missouri 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 275,000 customer locations in Missouri.

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 Missouri, 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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