

## UK Broadband Speed Test Results April 2015

This press release gives the aggregated speed test results from tests carried out by site users at [www.broadband.co.uk](http://www.broadband.co.uk) for April 2015.

<b>Average download &amp; upload speeds – April 2015</b>		
<b>ISP</b>	<b>Average Download Speed (Mbps)</b>	<b>Average Upload Speed (Mbps)</b>
BT	22.005	6.541
EE	13.020	3.125
Plusnet	18.182	5.695
Sky	13.696	3.617
TalkTalk	12.443	1.685
Tiscali	8.669	1.267
Talk/Tiscali combined	11.527	1.583
Three (mobile)	9.054	3.044
Virgin Media	46.767	6.073
<b>All fixed line providers</b>	<b>23.022</b>	<b>4.732</b>

Virgin Media retain first place, with average download speeds increasing dramatically by 7.02Mb compared to last month. BT are in second place, with download speeds also increasing by 2.15Mb to 22.01Mb. Plusnet hold third place, with speeds rising by 3.59Mb to 18.18Mb. The rankings shuffle around after this, with Sky moving up to fourth place, download speeds improving by 0.90Mb taking them to 13.70Mb. EE's download speeds have also improved by 1.76Mb to 13.02Mb, putting them in fifth place. This knocks TalkTalk out of the top 5, with a drop of 1.81Mb in download speeds, taking them to 12.44Mb.

Overall, the average download speed across all providers has increased by 1.91Mb since last month.

*Please note, EE are now owned by BT but will remain on the list until such time as current EE customers are transferred to the BT network.*

*Three Mobile have been added to the list as a comparison but are not included in the overall average speeds as these are limited to fixed line broadband suppliers only.*

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<b>Average download speeds split by time of day – April 2015</b>			
<b>ISP</b>	<b>Overnight (00:00 to 08:00) Average download speed (Mbps)</b>	<b>Daytime (08:00 to 18:00) Average download speed (Mbps)</b>	<b>Evening (18:00 to 00:00) Average download speed (Mbps)</b>
BT	26.784	20.864	22.733
EE	9.653	11.895	15.125
Plusnet	18.547	17.562	19.185
Sky	15.807	13.414	13.679
TalkTalk	12.953	11.670	13.598
Tiscali	6.942	8.092	9.893
TalkTalk/Tiscali combined	11.381	10.817	12.684
Virgin Media	49.724	50.808	41.042
<b>All fixed line providers</b>	<b>26.043</b>	<b>22.843</b>	<b>22.668</b>

Our average speed by time of day shows how the average broadband speed is heavily influenced by the time of day (and therefore likely level of network congestion).

For providers such as Virgin Media and Plusnet, the overnight level shows significantly higher average speeds than the evening peak periods. This clearly shows the effects of network congestion on the average broadband connection at peak hours.

Three have been removed from this list due to having too few overnight numbers to make the results statistically significant.

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### About the broadband.co.uk speed test results

- Our results are taken from our website users performing speed tests using our speed checker at <http://www.broadband.co.uk/broadband-speed-test/>
- We record tens of thousands of speed tests every month.
- Unlike other speed test services we record the Internet Service Provider (ISP) by IP address making our ISP recording very accurate rather than relying on self selection
- We pick out the following ISP's for reporting every month
  - BT
  - EE (excluding 4G mobile broadband)
  - Plusnet
  - Sky
  - TalkTalk
  - Tiscali
  - Tiscali and Talk Talk combined (as TalkTalk purchased Tiscali and began merging the brands in February 2010).
  - Virgin Media

### About [broadband.co.uk](http://www.broadband.co.uk)

- Our broadband price comparison is accredited by Ofcom as open, honest and transparent.
- We are one of the original broadband information and comparison sites having been launched in 2004
- With well over 1 million visitors per year we are one of the UK's leading sources of broadband information and advice
- We provide beginners guides to all areas of broadband along with detailed buyers guides to the major broadband providers, speed tester and broadband postcode look-up functionality
- We provide a unique free "Ask the expert" service where our broadband expert answers any query related to broadband, technical, comparison and related

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