

UK Broadband Speed Test Results June 2012

This press release gives the aggregated speed test results from tests carried out by site users at www.broadband.co.uk for June 2012.

Average download & upload speeds – June 2012		
ISP	Average Download Speed (Mbps)	Average Upload Speed (Mbps)
AOL	3.664	0.539
BE and O2*	6.874	0.905
BT	14.984	3.267
Eclipse	16.434	3.073
Orange	4.899	0.546
Plusnet	7.947	0.627
Sky	6.468	0.675
TalkTalk	5.679	0.666
Tiscali	5.739	0.589
Talk/Tiscali combined	5.693	0.648
Virgin Media	30.106	2.630
All providers	17.662	2.100

** Note that although O2 and BE share a common infrastructure they are separate trading entities*

Virgin Media retains first place, with average download speeds this month increasing by more than 5Mbps over last month. Eclipse take second place with more than 3Mbps increase in average speed. BT drop to third place with only a small increase in average speed over last month.

Overall the average download and upload speeds for all providers has increased since May.

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Average download speeds split by time of day – June 2012			
ISP	Overnight (00:00 to 08:00) Average download speed (Mbps)	Daytime (08:00 to 18:00) Average download speed (Mbps)	Evening (18:00 to 00:00) Average download speed (Mbps)
AOL	3.894	3.378	4.535
BE and O2*	7.546	6.725	6.928
BT	18.115	14.685	14.725
Eclipse	22.662	14.750	17.641
Orange	4.766	4.787	5.101
Plusnet	8.935	7.929	7.689
Sky	7.781	6.268	6.460
TalkTalk	6.959	5.578	5.514
Tiscali	4.273	6.503	4.746
TalkTalk/Tiscali combined	6.384	5.794	5.333
Virgin Media	30.603	30.666	29.276
All providers	19.144	17.234	17.960

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).

The overnight level shows significantly higher average speeds than the evening peak period. This clearly shows the effects of network congestion on the average broadband connection at peak hours.

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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
 - AOL
 - BE Broadband and O2 (O2 and BE are separate trading entities; however they share a common infrastructure)
 - BT
 - Eclipse
 - Orange
 - Plusnet
 - Sky
 - TalkTalk
 - Tiscali
 - Tiscali and Talk Talk combined (as TalkTalk purchased Tiscali and began merging the brands in January 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 the only major comparison engine that provides FTTC availability data and speed estimates.
- 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 discussion forums, 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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