State Broadband Actions

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Broadband is a foundation for economic growth, job creation, global competitiveness and a better way of life.

Changing how we educate children, deliver health care, manage energy, ensure public safety, engage government, and access, organize and disseminate knowledge.
Deployment (millions) of fixed terrestrial 25 Mbps/3 Mbps services and mobile LTE 5 Mbps/1 Mbps

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<th>Area</th>
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<td>Pop.</td>
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<td>United States</td>
<td>283.386</td>
<td>89.1%</td>
<td>287.387</td>
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<td>Rural Areas</td>
<td>36.489</td>
<td>59.2%</td>
<td>37.840</td>
<td>60.8%</td>
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<td>Urban Areas</td>
<td>246.897</td>
<td>96.3%</td>
<td>249.547</td>
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<td>Tribal Lands</td>
<td>2.206</td>
<td>56.1%</td>
<td>2.258</td>
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<td>Pop. Evaluated</td>
<td>317.954</td>
<td>100.0%</td>
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Source: FCC, 2020 Broadband Deployment Report
2021 Broadband Legislation - Introduced

48 states, Puerto Rico and the District of Columbia have had pending legislation in the 2021 legislative session.

2020 Legislation
At least 500 bills total

2019 Legislation
Nearly total 400 bills
Rural & Underserved 302
Funding 196
Dig Once/Infrastructure 187
Governance 145
Education & Schools 73
Municipal 45
Taxes 38
Consumer Relations 36
Mapping 36
High Speed 36
Digital Literacy 16
Smart Community 1
Spectrum 1

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2021 Broadband Legislation - Enacted

39 jurisdictions have enacted bills or adopted resolutions in 2021.
## NCSL Broadband Resources

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QUESTIONS?

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