

## About this data: Fixed coverage, Postcode unit

To create our [Connected Nations Spring 2022 update](#), Ofcom collected and analysed data from over 70 fixed network and fixed wireless access (FWA) providers. This file provides information on fixed broadband coverage and broadband availability from FWA at postcode level.

The coverage availability was collected as a snapshot in January 2022. [Our methodology](#) provides details of our approach to collecting and analysing coverage data.

Gigabit capable coverage was introduced in the Connected Nations 2020 report, and includes all coverage from full fibre networks and all coverage from Virgin Media O2's cable network<sup>1</sup>. Since its introduction, we no longer report on full fibre coverage due to commercial confidentiality.

Also, since the Connected Nations 2020 report, it is no longer possible to identify superfast coverage from FWA provision, due to changes in the collection of coverage information from Wireless Internet Service Providers (WISPs). Hence, we only report on the availability of decent broadband (at least 10Mbit/s downstream and 1Mbit/s upstream speeds) from FWA.

If you have any questions or feedback on the data please contact us at [open.data@ofcom.org.uk](mailto:open.data@ofcom.org.uk).

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The files are provided as a Comma Separated Values file, with double quote (") text delimiters where applicable.

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<sup>1</sup> Virgin Media O2 completed the upgrade of its cable network in December 2021. In our Connected Nations 2021 and earlier reports, gigabit capable coverage only included coaxial cable coverage that had been identified as delivering download speeds up to 1 Gbit/s.

## Coverage availability

### Coverage availability for all premises

File name: 202201\_fixed\_pc\_coverage\_r01\_xx.csv where xx defines postcode area

Total files in folder 'postcode\_files': 121 files, for each postcode area in the UK

Total records across all files: 1 header row, 1,707,740 data rows

File size: 158 MB

### Coverage availability for residential premises

File name: 202201\_fixed\_pc\_res\_coverage\_r01\_xx.csv where xx defines postcode area

Total files in folder 'postcode\_res\_files': 121 files, for each postcode area in the UK

Total records across all files: 1 header row, 1,569,490 data rows

File size: 145 MB

### Column headers and what they represent:

Current headers	Note
<b>postcode</b>	Postcode with spaces removed, such as SE19HA
<b>postcode_space</b>	Postcode with single space, such as SE1 9HA
<b>postcode area</b>	Postcode area, such as SE
<b>% of premises with 30&lt;300Mbit/s download speed</b>	From fixed broadband
<b>% of premises with &gt;=300Mbit/s download speed</b>	From fixed broadband
<b>% of premises with 0&lt;2Mbit/s download speed</b>	From fixed broadband
<b>% of premises with 2&lt;5Mbit/s download speed</b>	From fixed broadband
<b>% of premises with 5&lt;10Mbit/s download speed</b>	From fixed broadband
<b>% of premises with 10&lt;30Mbit/s download speed</b>	From fixed broadband

<b>SFBB availability (% premises)</b>	Percentage of premises that have Superfast Broadband (30Mbit/s or greater) coverage from fixed broadband
<b>UFBB (100Mbit/s) availability (% premises)</b>	Percentage of premises that have Ultrafast Broadband (100Mbit/s or greater) coverage from fixed broadband
<b>UFBB availability (% premises)</b>	Percentage of premises that have Ultrafast Broadband (300Mbit/s or greater) coverage from fixed broadband
<b>% of premises unable to receive 2Mbit/s</b>	Percentage of premises that do not have access to services above 2Mbit/s from fixed broadband
<b>% of premises unable to receive 5Mbit/s</b>	Percentage of premises that do not have access to services above 5Mbit/s from fixed broadband
<b>% of premises unable to receive 10Mbit/s</b>	Percentage of premises that do not have access to services above 10Mbit/s from fixed broadband
<b>% of premises unable to receive 30Mbit/s</b>	Percentage of premises that do not have access to services above 30Mbit/s from fixed broadband
<b>Gigabit availability (% premises)</b>	Percentage of premises that have coverage from a Gigabit capable service from fixed broadband
<b>% of premises below the USO</b>	Percentage of premises that do not have access to download speeds at or above 10Mbit/s and upload speeds at or above 1Mbit/s from fixed broadband or a WISP or Mobile FWA (including non-matched records and zero predicted speeds)
<b>% of premises with NGA</b>	Percentage of premises with Next Generation Access from fixed broadband
<b>% of premises able to receive decent broadband from FWA</b>	Percentage of premises that have access to Decent Broadband (at least 10Mbit/s download and 1Mbit/s upload speed) from a WISP or Mobile FWA