

## Minnesota and United States Falling Behind

We need high speed Internet for our homes, schools, hospitals, and the workplaces of the future. But countries like Canada, France and South Korea have better, faster Internet connections. People in Japan can download an entire movie in just two minutes — it can take two hours or more in the United States — but they pay the same as we do in the U.S. for their Internet connection.

Not only do they have higher speeds, but a larger percentage of people in those countries have access to high speed connections. The United States is 15th behind other industrialized nations in high speed Internet adoption.

### Minnesota Speed Test Results

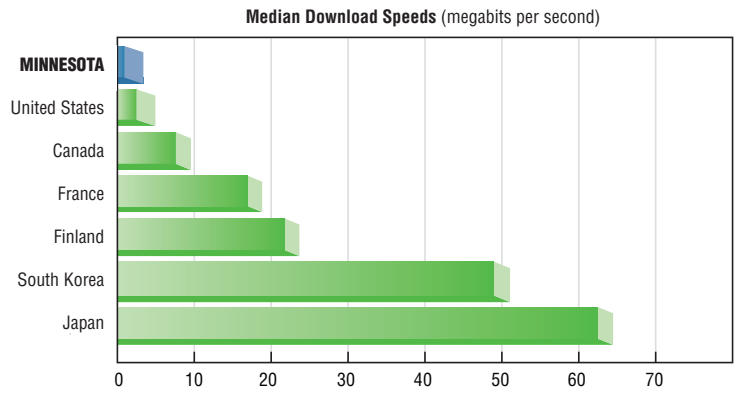
Over the last year, people who live in Minnesota have gone to the speedmatters.org site to take an Internet speed test and measure how fast their computers can upload and download data. The results of the speed test show that the Internet speeds of people who live in Minnesota, like those of the entire country, lag behind.

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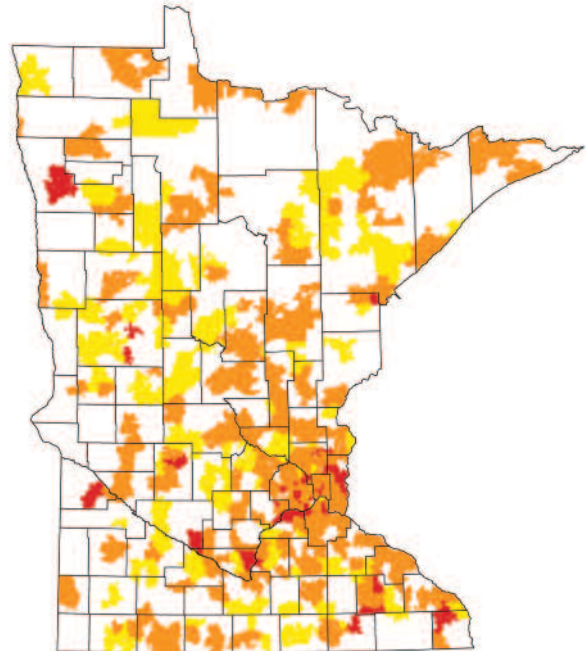
World Ranking		Median Download Speed (megabits per second)
1	Japan	63.60
2	South Korea	49.50
3	Finland	21.70
4	France	17.60
8	Canada	7.60
15	<b>United States</b>	<b>2.35</b>
<b>MINNESOTA</b>		<b>1.57</b>

International data from the Information Technology and Innovation Foundation. U.S. data from speedmatters.org test results. Most test participants had DSL or cable modem connections.

### Minnesota Quick Stats



The median upload speed in Minnesota is 512 kbps.



Average download speed by zip code for Minnesota. There were no tests in unshaded areas.

- Less than 768 kbps
- 768 kbps to 6 mbps
- More than 6 mbps
- County boundaries