

# Azerbaijan Profile (2018)

## Various statistics (Latest data available: 2018)

Fixed-telephone subscriptions per 100 inhabitants	16.8993
Mobile-cellular subscriptions per 100 inhabitants	103.921
Fixed (wired)-broadband subscriptions per 100 inhabitants	18.1966
Mobile-broadband subscriptions per 100 inhabitants	59.5926
Households with a computer (%)	64.1
Households with Internet access at home (%)	78.2
Individuals using the Internet (%)	79.8

## Regulatory Authority (Latest data available: 2018)

Please provide the name of the Head of the Regulatory Authority

Please provide the exact title of the Head of the Regulatory Authority.

Name of the telecom/ICT regulator Ministry of Transport, Communications and High Technologies

## Policy Maker (Latest data available: 2018)

Please provide the name and contact details of the main Policy-Maker in charge of telecommunications/ICTs Ministry of Transport, Communications and High Technologies

## Level of Competition (Latest data available: 2018)

Cable modem	C*	
Cable Television	C*	
Data2014	C*	
Domestic fixed long distance	P*	P: 2009
Fixed Satellite Services (FSS)	C*	
Fixed Wireless Broadband	C*	
GMPCS (FSS/MSS)2006	P	
IMT (3G, 4G, etc.)	C*	
International Gateways	C*	
International Fixed Long Distance	C*	
Internet Services	C*	
Leased Lines	C*	
Wireless Local Loop	C*	
Local Fixed Line Services	N	
Mobile	C*	
Mobile Satellite Services (MSS)	P*	P: 2005
Paging2006	P	
VSAT	P*	P: 2005
DSL	C*	

M: Monopoly

P: Partial competition (year when competition was introduced)

C: Full competition (year when competition was introduced)

N: N/A

## Institutional Details (Latest data available: 2004)

### Regulator autonomous in decision making

Who is responsible for approving the budget of the Regulator? The Ministry of Finance

### Legal document creating the regulator

Sources of regulator's budget and % financed from each source • Government appropriation, percentage: 100,

### Regulator also regulates other utilities

Reporting requirements of the regulator • Other Indicate: to the President of Republic,

### Year separate regulator created

## Structure Regulator (Latest data available: )

Please provide the name of the Head of the Regulatory Authority

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Regulator is a collegial body

If Yes, please provide the total number of members/commissioners (including the Head).

Is the Head of the Commission also responsible for day-to-day administrative matters?

What is the normal period of appointment for the members and the Head of the Regulatory Authority?

Please provide the total number of staff in the Regulatory Authority.

## Regulatory Functions (Latest data available: 2018)

Entity in charge of licensing	O M*	M: Ministry of Economy
Entity in charge of interconnection rates	S M*	M: Ministry of Transport, Communications and High Technologies
Entity in charge of price regulation	S O M*	M: Tariff Council under the Ministry of Economy
Entity in charge of technical standards setting	S O M*	M: State Committee of Standardization, Metrology and Patents
Entity in charge of radio frequency allocation and assignment	O M*	M: State Commission on Radiofrequencies under the cabinet of Ministers
Spectrum Monitoring and Enforcement	S M*	M: Ministry of Transport, Communications and High Technologies
Entity in charge of numbering	S M*	M: Ministry of Transport, Communications and High Technologies
Entity in charge of type approval	S M*	M: Ministry of Transport, Communications and High Technologies
Entity in charge of service quality monitoring	S O M*	M: State Service for Antimonopoly policy and Consumer Rights Protection
Entity in charge of universal service/access	S M*	M: Ministry of Transport, Communications and High Technologies
Quality of service standards setting	S M*	M: Ministry of Transport, Communications and High Technologies
Entity in charge of enforcement of quality of service obligations	S M*	M: Ministry of Transport, Communications and High Technologies
Broadcasting (sound transmission)	R M*	M: National Television and Radio Council
Entity in charge of broadcasting content	R M*	M: National Television and Radio Council
Entity in charge of Information Technology	S M*	M: Ministry of Transport, Communications and High Technologies
Entity in charge of Internet content	O M*	M: Media Council

S: Sector Ministry  
 O: Other Ministry or Government body  
 R: Regulatory Authority  
 Op: Operator  
 N: Not regulated  
 M: If more than one entity or another body is involved in this function, please explain

### Universal Service - services covered and operator obligations (Latest data available: 2018)

<b>Definition of universal service/access exists</b>	Yes
<b>Universal access/service policy adopted</b>	Yes
<b>Voice services included in Universal service/access definition</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Voice telephony services</li> <li>• Fixed line private residential service as part of universal service definition</li> <li>• Fixed line public payphone service as part of universal service definition</li> <li>• Public mobile payphone service as part of universal service definition</li> </ul>
<b>Internet services included in Universal service/access definition</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dial-up Internet access as part of universal service definition</li> </ul>
<b>Other services included in Universal service/access definition</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Emergency services as part of universal service definition</li> <li>• Directory services as part of universal service definition</li> </ul>
<b>Operators under universal access/service obligation</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fixed-line operators with SMP</li> <li>• Mobile operators</li> </ul>
<b>Operators/service providers required to offer below-cost prices</b>	No

### Financing of Universal Service activities and/or Universal Service Funds (Latest data available: 2018)

<b>Means of financing operator(s) universal access/service obligations</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Universal service funds</li> </ul>
<b>Other financing mechanisms for the provision of Universal service</b>	No
<b>If Yes, please explain</b>	
<b>Operational Universal Service Fund</b>	Yes
<b>If Yes, when? [2006]</b>	2006
<b>Operators/ service providers required to contribute to USF</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All operators</li> </ul>
<b>Means of calculating USF contribution amounts</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Other Indicate: revenues from usage of number resources and issuing certificates,</li> </ul>
<b>USF financed by other sources</b>	No
<b>USF budget financing by source (in percentage)</b>	
<b>Regulator administrating USF</b>	Yes
<b>If No, name the entity responsible</b>	

### Interconnection issues (Latest data available: 2018)

<b>Interconnection charging principle adopted</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Asymmetric</li> </ul>
<b>If asymmetric charging, how it was decided?</b>	The assimmetry is applied considering the new players in given market

### Approach used to regulate interconnection prices (Latest data available: 2014)

<b>Approach used to regulate fixed termination rates</b>	B
<b>Approach used to regulate mobile termination rates</b>	B

LRIC: LRIC cost model  
FDC: FDC cost model  
B: Benchmarking  
O: Other  
N: None

### NGN (Latest data available: 2018)

**Stage of introduction of NGN system by operators** • Implementation

**Cost model used (or planned) to calculate costs/tariffs of NGN Services** • Other please specify: best practice,

### NGN - Regulation of IP networks (Latest data available: 2018)

**Regulations that govern the use of IP networks for Data Services** USO

**Regulations that govern the use of IP networks for Voice Services** USO

USO: Regulatory arrangements subject to universal service obligations  
I: Regulatory interconnection arrangements with networks using switching circuits  
B: Banning of services based on IP  
No: No regulatory arrangements defined at present  
O: Other