

Cyprus Profile (2018)

Various statistics (Latest data available: 2018)

Fixed-telephone subscriptions per 100 inhabitants	26.1976
Mobile-cellular subscriptions per 100 inhabitants	100.934
Fixed (wired)-broadband subscriptions per 100 inhabitants	26.3576
Mobile-broadband subscriptions per 100 inhabitants	80.806
Households with a computer (%)	78.6931
Households with Internet access at home (%)	86.1708
Individuals using the Internet (%)	84.4336

Regulatory Authority (Latest data available: 2018)

Please provide the name of the Head of the Regulatory Authority	Mr. George Michaelides
Please provide the exact title of the Head of the Regulatory Authority.	Commissioner of Electronic Communications and Postal Regulation
Name of the telecom/ICT regulator	Office of the Commissioner for Electronic Communications and Postal Regulation

Policy Maker (Latest data available: 2018)

Please provide the name and contact details of the main Policy-Maker in charge of telecommunications/ICTs	Minister of Transport, Communications and Works
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Level of Competition (Latest data available: 2018)

Cable modem	C
Cable Television	C
Data2015	C
Domestic fixed long distance	C
Fixed Satellite Services (FSS)	C
Fixed Wireless Broadband	C
GMPCS (FSS/MSS)2010	C
IMT (3G, 4G, etc.)	P
International Gateways	C
International Fixed Long Distance	C
Internet Services	C
Leased Lines	P
Wireless Local Loop	N
Local Fixed Line Services	P
Mobile	P
Mobile Satellite Services (MSS)2010	N
Paging2006	N
VSAT2010	C
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: 2018)

Regulator autonomous in decision making	Yes
Who is responsible for approving the budget of the Regulator? [2010]	House of Representatives
Legal document creating the regulator	The Telecommunications and Postal Services Regulation Law of 2002
Sources of regulator's budget and % financed from each source	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Licence fees, percentage: 85.33, • Numbering fees, percentage: 9.43, • Other • Other, Source: Interest and other income, percentage: 5.24,
Regulator also regulates other utilities	• Yes If Yes, specify utilities regulated: Posts,
Reporting requirements of the regulator	• Other Indicate: Annual Report to the Head of State,
Year separate regulator created	2002

Structure Regulator (Latest data available: 2018)

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Regulator is a collegial body	No
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? [2009]	No
What is the normal period of appointment for the members and the Head of the Regulatory Authority? [2011]	6 Years
Please provide the total number of staff in the Regulatory Authority.	38

Regulatory Functions (Latest data available: 2018)

Entity in charge of licensing	S R M*	M: The sector Ministry licences the use of spectrum while the Regulator licences the relevant services
Entity in charge of interconnection rates	R	
Entity in charge of price regulation	R	
Entity in charge of technical standards setting	R	
Entity in charge of radio frequency allocation and assignment	S	
Spectrum Monitoring and Enforcement	S	
Entity in charge of numbering	R	
Entity in charge of type approval	N	
Entity in charge of service quality monitoring²⁰¹⁵	R	
Entity in charge of universal service/access	R	
Quality of service standards setting²⁰¹⁵	R	
Entity in charge of enforcement of quality of service obligations	R	
Broadcasting (sound transmission)	S R M*	M: The sector Ministry licences the use of spectrum while the Regulator licences the relevant services

Entity in charge of broadcasting content	O M*	M: The sector Ministry licences the use of spectrum while the Regulator licences the relevant services
Entity in charge of Information Technology	O M*	M: The sector Ministry licences the use of spectrum while the Regulator licences the relevant services
Entity in charge of Internet content²⁰¹⁵	N	

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)

Definition of universal service/access exists	Yes
Universal access/service policy adopted	Yes
Voice services included in Universal service/access definition	• Fixed line private residential service as part of universal service definition
Internet services included in Universal service/access definition	• Dial-up Internet access as part of universal service definition
Other services included in Universal service/access definition	• Emergency services as part of universal service definition • Services for impaired/ elderly • Telecentres as part of universal service definition Explain: Special retail packages for disabled and low income groups,
Operators under universal access/service obligation	• Designated US Provider
Operators/service providers required to offer below-cost prices	Yes

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

Means of financing operator(s) universal access/service obligations	• Universal service funds
Other financing mechanisms for the provision of Universal service	Yes
If Yes, please explain	The financing mechanism is according to the Universal Service Funding Decree of 2005.
Operational Universal Service Fund	No
If Yes, when?	The fund is established when there is a justified claim by the USP
Operators/ service providers required to contribute to USF	• All operators
Means of calculating USF contribution amounts	• Percentage of total gross revenues (turnover) Percentage:.
USF financed by other sources	No
USF budget financing by source (in percentage)	
Regulator administrating USF	Yes
If No, name the entity responsible [2003]	Committee to be appointed by the Commissioner

Interconnection issues (Latest data available: 2018)

Interconnection charging principle adopted	• Symmetric
If asymmetric charging, how it was decided?	

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

Approach used to regulate fixed termination rates	LRIC
Approach used to regulate mobile termination rates	LRIC

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: Bottom Up Long run incremental cost model,

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

Regulations that govern the use of IP networks for Data Services |

Regulations that govern the use of IP networks for Voice Services |

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