

Oman Profile (2018)

Various statistics (Latest data available: 2018)

Fixed-telephone subscriptions per 100 inhabitants	11.6022
Mobile-cellular subscriptions per 100 inhabitants	133.366
Fixed (wired)-broadband subscriptions per 100 inhabitants	8.73915
Mobile-broadband subscriptions per 100 inhabitants	85.1718
Households with a computer (%)	93.364
Households with Internet access at home (%)	88.5582
Individuals using the Internet (%)	80.1856

Regulatory Authority (Latest data available: 2018)

Please provide the name of the Head of the Regulatory Authority	H E Dr. Hamad Al Rawahi
Please provide the exact title of the Head of the Regulatory Authority.	Cheif Executive
Name of the telecom/ICT regulator	Telecommunications Regulatory Authority

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
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Level of Competition (Latest data available: 2018)

Cable modem	N	
Cable Television	N	
Data2012	C*	
Domestic fixed long distance	C*	
Fixed Satellite Services (FSS)	C*	P: 2009
Fixed Wireless Broadband	C*	
GMPCS (FSS/MSS)2010	C*	
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	C*	
Mobile	P*	P: 2005
Mobile Satellite Services (MSS)	C*	
Paging2005	M	
VSAT	C*	
DSL	C*	P: 2009

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]	Council of Ministers
Legal document creating the regulator	Royal Decree 30/2002
Sources of regulator's budget and % financed from each source	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Licence fees, percentage; • Numbering fees, percentage; • Spectrum fees, percentage; • Regulatory fees, percentage; • Fines/penalties, percentage; • Regulated telecom operators • Regulated telecom operators percentage: 55%, percentage of operator revenue (turnover): 0.75%,
Regulator also regulates other utilities	• No
Reporting requirements of the regulator	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual report to the public • Report to Board of ICT regulator • Other Indicate: Report to the Council of Ministers,
Year separate regulator created	2002

Structure Regulator (Latest data available: 2018)

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Regulator is a collegial body	Yes
If Yes, please provide the total number of members/commissioners (including the Head). [2013]	4
Is the Head of the Commission also responsible for day-to-day administrative matters?	No
What is the normal period of appointment for the members and the Head of the Regulatory Authority? [2011]	5 years
Please provide the total number of staff in the Regulatory Authority.	156

Regulatory Functions (Latest data available: 2018)

Entity in charge of licensing	S O R M*	M: For ClassI , TRA recommends the issuance of the licens and the Sector minister indorce it and counsil ministers approve it to be issued by Royal Decree. For ClassII TRA recommends and sector minister approve and issue the license
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	O R M*	M: Spectrum Allocation Committee
Spectrum Monitoring and Enforcement	R	
Entity in charge of numbering	R	
Entity in charge of type approval	R	
Entity in charge of service quality monitoring	R	
Entity in charge of universal service/access	S R M*	M: policy is set by the sector Ministry and Fund is made available by ministry of finance
Quality of service standards setting	R	
Entity in charge of enforcement of quality of service obligations	R	
Broadcasting (sound transmission)	O M*	M: Broadcasting & TV Authority

Entity in charge of broadcasting content	O M*	M: Broadcasting & TV Authority
Entity in charge of Information Technology	O M*	M: Information Technology Authority
Entity in charge of Internet content	R M*	M: ITA

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Voice telephony services • Individual mobile cellular service as part of universal service definition • Public mobile payphone service as part of universal service definition
Internet services included in Universal service/access definition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dial-up Internet access as part of universal service definition • Broadband as part of universal service definition
Other services included in Universal service/access definition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Schools ;, • Services for impaired/ elderly • Directory services as part of universal service definition • Telecentres as part of universal service definition Explain: Marine Services,
Operators under universal access/service obligation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Network/facilities-based operators • Incumbent fixed line operator(s) • Mobile operators
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Direct subsidy from government • Other Explain: Agreement with operators to provide certain spectrum in exchange for rural coverage, or license obligation,
Other financing mechanisms for the provision of Universal service	Yes
If Yes, please explain	collaboration with major operator in exchange for certain spectrum to provide coverage for rural areas, or through license obligation
Operational Universal Service Fund	No
If Yes, when?	
Operators/ service providers required to contribute to USF	• None of the above, please identify: Not yet decided, as Government shall provide funds from State Treasury.,
Means of calculating USF contribution amounts	
USF financed by other sources	
USF budget financing by source (in percentage)	
Regulator administrating USF	
If No, name the entity responsible	

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 • Completed

Cost model used (or planned) to calculate costs/tariffs of NGN Services • LRIC model

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

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

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

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