

# Suriname Profile (2018)

## Various statistics (Latest data available: 2018)

Fixed-telephone subscriptions per 100 inhabitants	15.2951
Mobile-cellular subscriptions per 100 inhabitants	130.605
Fixed (wired)-broadband subscriptions per 100 inhabitants	12.7044
Mobile-broadband subscriptions per 100 inhabitants	46.2832
Households with a computer (%)	36.8274
Households with Internet access at home (%)	33.5317
Individuals using the Internet (%)	48.9452

## Regulatory Authority (Latest data available: 2018)

Please provide the name of the Head of the Regulatory Authority	Ms. Wendy Klass - Jap-A-Joe
Please provide the exact title of the Head of the Regulatory Authority.	Acting Director
Name of the telecom/ICT regulator	Telecommunication Authority Suriname

## 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 Public Work, Transport and Communication
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## Level of Competition (Latest data available: 2018)

Cable modem	C
Cable Television	C
Data2012	C*
Domestic fixed long distance	M
Fixed Satellite Services (FSS)	C
Fixed Wireless Broadband	M
GMPCS (FSS/MSS)2008	M
IMT (3G, 4G, etc.)	C
International Gateways	C
International Fixed Long Distance	N
Internet Services	C
Leased Lines	N
Wireless Local Loop	N
Local Fixed Line Services	N
Mobile	C
Mobile Satellite Services (MSS)	C
Paging2005	M
VSAT	C
DSL	M

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]	Board of Directors
Legal document creating the regulator	Telecommunication Act 2004(came into effect in 2007)
Sources of regulator's budget and % financed from each source	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Award/auction of mobile licence, percentage: 41.7%,</li> <li>• Licence fees, percentage: 0.7%,</li> <li>• Numbering fees, percentage: 4.0%,</li> <li>• Spectrum fees, percentage: 52.8%,</li> <li>• Regulatory fees, percentage: 0.7%,</li> </ul>
Regulator also regulates other utilities	• No
Reporting requirements of the regulator	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Report to Board of ICT regulator</li> <li>• Annual report to Sector Ministry</li> </ul>
Year separate regulator created	1998

### 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). [2010]	1
Is the Head of the Commission also responsible for day-to-day administrative matters? [2005]	No
What is the normal period of appointment for the members and the Head of the Regulatory Authority? [2011]	no specific period of appointment
Please provide the total number of staff in the Regulatory Authority.	34

### Regulatory Functions (Latest data available: 2018)

Entity in charge of licensing	S O R
Entity in charge of interconnection rates	R Op
Entity in charge of price regulation	R
Entity in charge of technical standards setting	O R
Entity in charge of radio frequency allocation and assignment	R
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 <sup>2015</sup>	N
Entity in charge of universal service/access <sup>2008</sup>	O R
Quality of service standards setting <sup>2015</sup>	N
Entity in charge of enforcement of quality of service obligations	R
Broadcasting (sound transmission)	S O R
Entity in charge of broadcasting content	O
Entity in charge of Information Technology	R
Entity in charge of Internet content <sup>2015</sup>	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)

<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>• 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> </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</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>• Other Explain: Universal acces/service has not been active in Suriname. but if it was implemented it would be finance by universal service fund.,</li> </ul>
<b>Other financing mechanisms for the provision of Universal service</b>	No
<b>If Yes, please explain [2009]</b>	n/a
<b>Operational Universal Service Fund</b>	No
<b>If Yes, when? [2009]</b>	approximately 2010
<b>Operators/ service providers required to contribute to USF</b>	
<b>Means of calculating USF contribution amounts</b>	
<b>USF financed by other sources</b>	
<b>USF budget financing by source (in percentage)</b>	
<b>Regulator administrating USF</b>	
<b>If No, name the entity responsible [2010]</b>	n/a

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

<b>Interconnection charging principle adopted</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Symmetric</li> </ul>
<b>If asymmetric charging, how it was decided?</b>	

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

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

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** • None

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

**Regulations that govern the use of IP networks for Data Services** No

**Regulations that govern the use of IP networks for Voice Services** No

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