

Samoa Profile (Latest data available: 2018)

Various statistics (Latest data available: 2017)

Fixed-telephone subscriptions per 100 inhabitants	4.3
Mobile-cellular subscriptions per 100 inhabitants	63.2
Fixed (wired)-broadband subscriptions per 100 inhabitants	1
Mobile-broadband subscriptions per 100 inhabitants	26
Households with a computer (%)	24
Households with Internet access at home (%)	32.7
Individuals using the Internet (%)	33.6

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 Communication Information and Technology

Regulatory Authority (Latest data available: 2018)

Name of the telecom/ICT regulator	Office of the Regulator
Please provide the name of the Head of the Regulatory Authority	Lefaoalii Unutoa Auelua-Fonoti
Please provide the exact title of the Head of the Regulatory Authority.	The Regulator
Legal document creating the regulator	Telecommunication Act, Electricity Act, Broadcasting Act, Postal Act
Year separate regulator created	2006
Regulator also regulates other utilities	• Yes If Yes, specify utilities regulated: Posts, Broadcasting, Electricity,
Regulator autonomous in decision making	Yes
Who is responsible for approving the budget of the Regulator? [2010]	Ministry of Finance
Sources of regulator's budget and % financed from each source	• Government appropriation, percentage: 100%,
Reporting requirements of the regulator	• Annual report to the public • Report to Legislature/Parliament • Annual report to Sector Ministry

Regulatory Functions (Latest data available: 2018)

Entity in charge of licensing	R
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	R
Spectrum Monitoring and Enforcement	R
Entity in charge of numbering	S R
Entity in charge of type approval	R
Entity in charge of service quality monitoring	O R
Entity in charge of universal service/access	R



Quality of service standards setting	R Op
Entity in charge of enforcement of quality of service obligations	R
Broadcasting (sound transmission)	R Op
Entity in charge of broadcasting content	Op
Entity in charge of Information Technology	S
Entity in charge of Internet content	Op

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

Level of Competition (Latest data available: 2018)

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

M: Monopoly

P: Partial competition (year when competition was introduced)

C: Full competition (year when competition was introduced)

N: N/A

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 • Fixed line private residential service as part of universal service definition • Individual mobile cellular 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"> • Telecentres as part of universal service definition • Schools ;, • Health centres ;,



Operators under universal access/service obligation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mobile operators• Mobile operators with SMP• ISPs
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Operators/service providers required to offer below-cost prices	No
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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">• Pay or play
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Operational Universal Service Fund	No
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If Yes, when? [2011]	FY 2011-2012
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Operators/ service providers required to contribute to USF

Means of calculating USF contribution amounts	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Percentage of total gross revenues (turnover) Percentage: to be determined under policy being developed,
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USF financed by other sources	Yes
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USF budget financing by source (in percentage)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Funding from international agencies percentage: seed funds from Telecom Sector Reform Project,
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Regulator administrating USF

If No, name the entity responsible	
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Other financing mechanisms for the provision of Universal service	No
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If Yes, please explain [2007]	policy under development - due 4th qtr 2007
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