FCC SPEED TEST APP

Help Measure Broadband Speed in Pennsylvania

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The Federal Communications Commission (FCC)'s **Speed Test App** collects broadband performance data from mobile devices to support its *Measuring Broadband America Program*. Data collected from the app will help inform the FCC's broadband data collection efforts. The Pennsylvania Broadband Office encourages all Pennsylvania residents to download and use this speed test app.

WHY DOES THIS MATTER?

Crowdsourced mobile speed test data is the most accurate and up-to-date data regarding mobile services within Pennsylvania. The information collected from the app directly impacts the federal funding that is coming to Pennsylvania for broadband expansion and deployment. This funding will make sure that all Pennsylvanians have access to modern high-speed internet.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

How do I get the app?

The app is called the **FCC Speed Test App**. It is available in the Apple App Store for iOS devices (published by the developer SamKnows) or in the Google Play Store for Android devices (published by the developer FCCAPPs). Search for "FCC Speed Test" in either store to download the app.

What data does the test collect?

- Date and time of test
- Manufacturer and model of device used, including the version of the operating system
- Mobile device connection performance – service provider, strength and quality of the radio signal, type of connection, and the test results
- GPS coordinates (only if you enable location services)

What data does the test <u>not</u> collect?

- Personally-identifiable information such as name, phone number, location (unless enabled), or identifiers associated with your device
- All publicly released data is anonymous

How is the data used/shared?

- The FCC uses the data reported by the app to help inform policy decisions regarding mobile broadband services
- The FCC may use the data to create publicly accessible maps showing mobile broadband availability and service quality.
- The FCC may update the app capabilities in the future to allow for expanded uses as part of the commission's broadband data collection program.
- Any researchers that request raw data (non-anonymized) must sign a non-disclosure agreement with the FCC

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

You can learn more about the FCC Speed Test App at the following links:

- FCC Speed Test App Privacy Notice and Terms of Use
- FCC Speed Test App FAQs

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