

## **UK Broadband Speedtest Results November 2010**

This press release gives the aggregated speedtest results from tests carried out by site users at <a href="https://www.broadband.co.uk">www.broadband.co.uk</a> for November 2010.

Average download & upload speeds - November 2010				
ISP	Average Download speed (Mbps)	Average Upload Speed (Mbps)		
AOL	2.599	0.370		
Be and O2*	5.400	0.794		
BT	4.384	0.668		
Eclipse	4.781	0.468		
Orange	3.051	0.372		
Plusnet	3.284	0.430		
Sky	3.976	0.511		
Talk Talk	4.043	0.502		
Tiscali	3.013	0.449		
TalkTalk/Tiscali combined	3.628	0.480		
Virgin Media	10.812	0.845		
All providers	5.555	0.623		

<sup>\*</sup> Note that although O2 and Be share a common infrastructure they are separate trading entities

Virgin Media have smashed the record for fastest recorded average download and upload speeds. Be/O2 had held the highest upload spot for the last two and a half years prior to this months results.

Overall the average of all suppliers jumps to a new all time high of 5.555Mbps .



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Average download speeds split by time of day – November 2010				
ISP	Overnight (00:00 to 08:00) Average download speed (Mbps)	Daytime (08:00 to 18:00)Average download speed (Mbps)	Evening (18:00 to 00:00)Average download speed (Mbps)	
AOL	1.947	2.885	2.285	
Be and O2*	6.766	5.305	5.280	
ВТ	4.832	4.366	4.340	
Eclipse	6.370	4.982	3.962	
Orange	3.911	3.270	2.724	
Plusnet	4.203	3.323	3.136	
Sky	4.316	3.896	4.004	
Talk Talk	4.382	4.089	3.913	
Tiscali	3.329	3.131	2.801	
TalkTalk/Tiscali combined	3.987	3.704	3.457	
Virgin Media	11.739	11.307	10.207	
All providers	6.172	5.530	5.486	

Our average speed by time of day shows how the average broadband speed is heavily influenced by the time of day (and therefore likely level of network congestion).

The overnight levels show a significantly higher average speed than the evening peak period, with daytime unusually the lowest of the three. This clearly shows the effects of network congestion on the average broadband connection at peak hours.



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- Our results are taken from our website users performing speedtests using our speedchecker at <a href="http://www.broadband.co.uk/broadband-speed-test/">http://www.broadband.co.uk/broadband-speed-test/</a>
- We record tens of thousands of speedtests every month.
- Unlike other speedtest services we record the Internet Service Provider (ISP) by IP address making our ISP recording very accurate rather than relying on self selection
- We pick out the following ISP's for reporting every month
  - AOL
  - Be Broadband and O2 (O2 and Be are separate trading entities; however they share a common infrastructure)
  - BT
  - Eclipse
  - Orange
  - Plusnet
  - Sky
  - TalkTalk
  - Tiscali
  - Tiscali and Talk Talk combined (as TalkTalk purchased Tiscali and began merging the brands in January 2010).
  - Virgin

## **About** broadband.co.uk

- Our broadband price comparison is accredited by Ofcom as open, honest and transparent.
- We are the only major comparison engine that provides FTTC availability data and speed estimates.
- We are one of the original broadband information and comparison sites having been launched in 2004
- With well over 1 million visitors per year we are the UK's leading source of broadband information and advice
- We provide beginners guides to all areas of broadband along with discussion forums, speedtester and broadband postcode lookup functionality
- We provide a unique free "Ask the expert" service where our broadband expert answers any query related to broadband, technical, comparison and related

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