

Low cost internet:

AT&T Access: \$5 per month

How to qualify for Access from AT&T

To qualify for Access from AT&T, and to get nearly unlimited high-speed broadband internet service in your home plus a low-cost computer for just \$5.00 per month, at least one person in your home must receive food stamps (SNAP). And you must live in AT&T's 21-state service area. If you meet both those qualifications, there's only one reason you wouldn't qualify: As the AT&T website says, you must not have "... outstanding debt for AT&T fixed Internet service within the last six months or outstanding debt incurred under this program."

How to enroll in AT&T Access

AT&T has set up a web page dedicated to signing people up for the program:

Website: <https://accessatt.solixcs.com/#/home>

Or, call AT&T "Access Apply" at 1-855-220-5211 (or Spanish at 855.220.5225)

Comcast Internet Essentials

To qualify for Internet Essentials and get a low-cost computer and high-speed internet access for just \$9.95 per month, a family must have at least one child *eligible* to receive a reduced or free school lunch through the National School Lunch Program (NSLP)

There are two restrictions that you must be aware of:

1. You cannot have been a Comcast internet subscriber in the last 90 days. If you want to get Internet Essentials, you are going to need to cancel (if your contract allows) your service and call Internet Essentials to sign up after three months.
 2. You cannot have a Comcast bill that is over 12 months past due. However, if you have an overdue bill from just within the last 12 months, Comcast has recently changed the rules and will accept you as an Internet Essentials customer, provided you agree to the payment plan they work up to pay off the late bills.
 3. You cannot have any unreturned equipment.
 4. Contact Information
 5. **Internet Essentials:**
Website: www.internetessentials.com
In Spanish: www.internetessentials.com/es/
Phone: 855-846-8376
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Cox Low-Income Internet

One high-speed internet plan for participants of SNAP, TANF and School Lunch programs. If you live in areas of the country served by Cox (GA is included) and you qualify under their rules, you can now get their Low-Income Internet for just \$9.95 per month. You can qualify for the Low-Income Internet program if at least one student in your home qualifies for the National School Lunch program. You will prove your eligibility by telling them that you have a student in the home and by submitting evidence of participation in the school lunch program, or evidence of being on either Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) or Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP).

Restriction #1: You're out of luck if you've been a Cox customer within the last three months. For example, if you're a current Cox customer, the only way you can sign up for its low income internet plan is to cancel your service now and wait to sign up in 90 days. Frustrating, of course, but it may just be worth the wait.

Restriction #2: You're out of luck if you have a Cox bill that's more than 12 months overdue. That means you can't sign up for the program unless you pay off that overdue bill or agree to a payment plan.

How to order Cox low-income internet

You can't go to the Cox website to order the low-income plan. You have to begin at a special page at Connect2Compete's website, or call their Connect2Compete hotline:

Web page: connect2compete.org/cox/
Phone: 855-222-3252

Spectrum Internet Assist:

Low-income families and seniors can get unlimited high-speed internet for just \$14.99 per month

\$14.99 is \$5 per month more than Comcast's Internet Essential and CenturyLink's Internet Basics, but Spectrum customers will get extra speed for those extra dollars — speeds of up to 30 Mbps downstream and 4 Mbps upstream.

Even better, Spectrum has eliminated all data caps on this new plan.

Please keep one thing in mind: You will not qualify if you have had a Charter, Time-Warner or Bright House broadband subscription within 60 days of enrolling. And if you have any outstanding bills with any of the three companies, you will be ineligible until you pay it off.

Qualified applicants will receive a free modem and a self-installation kit that makes the whole process simple.

How to enroll in Spectrum Internet Assist

Spectrum has set up a web page dedicated to enrolling qualified families and individuals in its Internet Assist program.

Website: charter.com/browse/content/spectrum-internet-assist
Telephone: 844-525-1574

Internet Basics: A slightly different inexpensive internet plan for low-income Americans

Offers high-speed Internet for just \$9.95 a month for the first year (\$14.95/month afterwards).

Qualify Based upon household income

In short, you probably qualify for the Internet Basics program if:

(1) You also participate in other governmental assistance programs such as food stamps (SNAP), public housing assistance, Medicaid, Section 8 housing, Supplemental Security Income, various Home Energy Assistance Programs, National School Lunch and other programs. (Each state has its own programs list.)

Or...

(2) Your household income is at or below 135% to 150% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines. (Note: It's 135% in all states except Arizona, Florida, Michigan, Nevada, New Jersey, Ohio, Rhode Island and Texas, where it's 150%.)

Contact Information

CenturyLink:
www.centurylink.com:
866-642-0444

Internet Basics Program:
www.centurylink.com/home/internetbasics/
866-642-0444

CenturyLink profile:
Profile page: [CenturyLink internet](#)

Mediacom Low-Income Internet

If any child in your household is eligible for the National School Lunch Program and if you live in areas serviced by Mediacom (includes Georgia), you may be able to sign up for high-speed broadband internet service in your home for just \$9.95 per month. You are eligible if you can say yes to the following questions:

- Do you live in an area in which Mediacom offers internet service?
 - Does at least one child living in your household qualify for free or reduced-price school lunches through the National School Lunch Program?
 - Have you been without Mediacom internet service for at least three months?
 - If you're a former Mediacom customer, have you paid all their bills?
 - If you're a former Mediacom customer, have you unreturned all the company's equipment?
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- **How to Enroll**
 - Most partners of the Connect2Compete program, require you to go to the EveryoneOn.org site to apply. But with Mediacom, you can go directly to their site:
 - Website: mediacomc2c.com (click on "Apply Today!" to find an application)
Phone: 855-904-2225
 - If you want to apply at EveryoneOn.org, here's their contact information:
 - Website: EveryoneOn.org
Phone: 800-446-2031.

FOR A COMPLETE LIST OF LOW COST INTERNET SERVICES WITH INFO AND COSTS ON EACH COMPANY, GO TO THIS WEBPAGE:

<https://www.cheapinternet.com/low-income-internet>

