

Table 1391. Key Global Telecom Indicators for the World Telecommunication Service Sector: 2005 to 2009

[In millions (1,259 represents 1,259,000,000), except as indicated]

Indicators	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
NUMBER (Mil.)					
Fixed telephone lines ¹	1,259	1,280	1,272	1,251	1,219
Mobile cellular subscribers	2,217	2,755	3,357	4,037	4,673
Internet users	1,036	1,159	1,375	1,603	1,833
Fixed broadband subscriptions	216	283	352	415	479
Mobile broadband subscriptions	73	159	291	444	667
PER 100 INHABITANTS					
Fixed telephone lines ¹	19.3	19.4	19.0	18.5	17.8
Mobile cellular subscriptions	33.9	41.7	50.2	59.6	68.2
Internet users	15.9	17.5	20.5	23.7	26.8
Fixed broadband subscriptions	3.3	4.3	5.3	6.1	7.0
Mobile broadband subscriptions	1.1	2.4	4.2	6.6	9.7

¹ See footnote 1, Table 1392.

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Table 1392. Telephones, Cellular Phones, and Computers by Country: 2008

[Rates per 100 persons. For data qualifications for countries, see source]

Country	Telephone main lines ¹	Cellular phone subscribers	Personal computers ²	Country	Telephone main lines ¹	Cellular phone subscribers	Personal computers ²
Afghanistan	0.37	29.03	(NA)	Iran	33.83	58.65	(NA)
Australia	44.46	104.96	(NA)	Italy	35.65	151.57	(NA)
Azerbaijan	15.01	75.00	8.00	Japan	38.04	86.73	(NA)
Belize	10.35	53.23	(NA)	Korea, South	44.29	94.71	(NA)
Brazil	21.48	78.47	(NA)	Macedonia	22.39	122.56	(NA)
Bulgaria	28.84	138.30	11.01	Mali	0.64	27.07	(NA)
Cambodia	0.30	29.10	(NA)	Mexico	18.88	69.37	(NA)
Canada	54.87	66.42	(NA)	Morocco	9.46	72.19	5.70
China ³	25.48	47.95	(NA)	Namibia	6.57	49.39	(NA)
Colombia	17.89	91.90	11.25	Pakistan	2.50	49.74	(NA)
Cuba	9.85	2.96	5.62	Portugal	38.50	139.64	18.16
Denmark	45.64	125.72	(NA)	Romania	24.39	114.54	(NA)
Dominican Republic	9.90	72.45	(NA)	Russia	31.75	141.11	(NA)
Egypt	14.54	50.62	3.92	Saudi Arabia	16.27	142.85	68.25
Estonia	37.14	188.20	25.50	Serbia	31.35	97.76	19.31
Ethiopia	1.11	2.42	(NA)	Singapore	40.24	138.15	(NA)
France	56.42	93.45	(NA)	Slovak Republic	20.33	102.23	58.15
Gambia	2.94	70.24	(NA)	Slovenia	50.11	101.97	(NA)
Georgia	14.35	63.97	(NA)	Spain	45.41	111.67	(NA)
Germany	62.12	128.27	(NA)	Sweden	57.83	118.33	(NA)
Greece	53.65	123.90	(NA)	Switzerland	64.02	117.97	97.60
Haiti	1.09	32.40	(NA)	Syria	17.12	33.24	(NA)
Honduras	11.28	84.86	2.49	Taiwan ³	62.37	110.31	83.47
Hong Kong, China	58.72	165.85	69.25	Turkey	23.68	89.05	(NA)
Hungary	30.90	122.09	(NA)	United Kingdom	54.24	126.34	(NA)
India	3.21	29.36	(NA)	United States	49.62	86.79	(NA)
Indonesia	13.36	61.83	(NA)	Venezuela	22.82	97.49	(NA)

NA Not available. ¹ A fixed telephone line (previously called main telephone line in operation) is an active line (those that have registered an activity in the past three months) connecting the subscriber's terminal equipment to the public switched telephone network (PSTN) and which has a dedicated port in the telephone exchange equipment. This term is synonymous with the terms main station or Direct Exchange Line (DEL) that are commonly used in telecommunication documents. It may not be the same as an access line or a subscriber. This should include the active number of analog fixed telephone lines, ISDN channels, fixed wireless (WLL), public payphones and VoIP subscriptions. Fixed telephone lines per 100 inhabitants is calculated by dividing the number of fixed telephone lines by the population and multiplying by 100. ² In many countries mainframe computers are used extensively, and thousands of users can be connected to a single mainframe computer; thus the number of personal computers understates the total use of computers. ³ See footnote 4, Table 1331.

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Table 1393. Patents by Country: 2009

[Includes only U.S. patents granted to residents of areas outside of the United States and its territories. See also Table 772]

Country	Total ¹	Inventions	Designs	Country	Total ¹	Inventions	Designs
Total	96,896	84,967	11,091	Netherlands	1,558	1,288	102
Japan	38,066	35,501	2,415	Australia	1,550	1,221	299
Germany	10,353	9,000	1,197	Switzerland	1,454	1,208	241
Korea, South	9,566	8,762	785	Israel	1,525	1,404	92
Taiwan ²	7,781	6,642	1,114	Sweden	1,231	1,014	207
Canada	4,393	3,655	712	Finland	997	864	132
United Kingdom	4,011	3,175	782	Belgium	707	594	92
France	3,805	3,140	628	Austria	767	503	264
Italy	1,837	1,346	485	Denmark	537	390	125
				Other countries	6,758	5,260	1,419

¹ Includes patents for botanical plants and reissues, not shown separately. ² See footnote 4, Table 1331.

Source: U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Technology Assessment and Forecast Database.