BROADBAND DEPLOYMENT UPDATE



Ultra-Fast Broadband (UFB) Phase 1

71.2% of the build in UFB1 areas has been completed.

There are 327,864 users connected to UFB, a 13.5% increase in connected users since end of September 2016.

UFB uptake is 30.9%.

UFB Phase 2

Will cover another 151 towns and 43 UFB1 fringe areas.

Deployment will begin later in 2017.

Rural Broadband Initiative (RBI) Phase 1

New tower builds and copper line upgrades are complete.

380 of the existing towers have been upgraded. Seven more towers will be upgraded by June 2017.

300,714 users are able to connect. 119,515 users are connected.

RBI uptake is 39.7%.

More details can be found here.

(v) Government targets

Schools, hospitals and health centres, are now able to access fibre or fast wireless broadband.

90% of businesses are able to connect to fibre.



UFB fibre to the premises will be available to over 84% of New Zealanders by the end of 2024.

UFB phase 1 is connecting 75% with fibre by the end of 2019. UFB phase 2 is going further, increasing this to over 84% by the end of 2024.

Fibre is capable of peak speeds of at least 100 Mbps.

Highlights

- > 92 retail providers are actively offering UFB services.
- > UFB connections are available in all 33 UFB1 candidate areas (50 towns and cities).

TABLE 1: UFB1 Progress at December Quarter 2016

	End users able to connect	Connected users
Added this quarter	42,350	39,074
Total to date	1,062,433	327,864

FIGURE 1A: Households and businesses able to connect

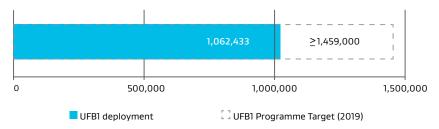
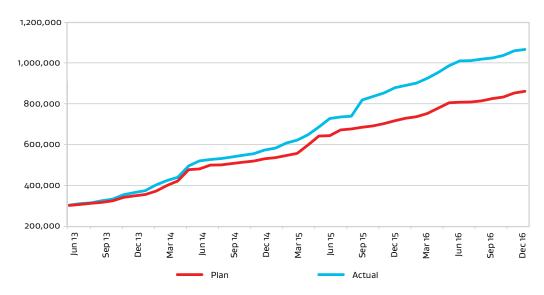


FIGURE 1B: UFB1 Households and businesses able to connect



UFB1 REGIONAL DEPLOYMENT PROGRESS: NORTH ISLAND



· 100% complete

· 20,786 users can connect: 25% uptake

¹ Users may be households, businesses and schools.

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151 new towns and **NORTHLAND AUCKLAND** Whangarei 43 UFB1 fringe areas Auckland · 100% complete · 56% complete will be covered under 22,699 users can - completion 2019 connect: 37% uptake the extension to the · 311,193 users1 can connect: 34% uptake programme. See the full Pukekohe list at broadband.govt.nz · 67% complete - completion 2018 • 5,278 users can connect: 30% uptake Waiheke Island · 100% complete • 5,688 users can connect: **BAY OF PLENTY** 19% uptake Rotorua Waiuku · 100% complete · 100% complete · 26,698 users can connect: · 3,628 users can connect: 34% uptake 33% uptake Tauranga · 100% complete • 57,029 users can connect: 40% uptake WAIKATO Whakatane Cambridge · 100% complete · 100% complete · 7,141 users can connect: • **8,053** users can 26% uptake connect: 36% uptake Hamilton · 100% complete • 65,454 users can connect: 34% uptake Te Awamutu · 100% complete • 5 812 users can connect: 30% uptake Taupo · 100% complete GISBORNE / • 13,336 users can HAWKE'S BAY connect: 27% uptake Gisborne Tokoroa · 50% complete -· 100% complete completion 2018 • **5,473** users can • **7**,**669** users can connect: 27% uptake connect: 17% uptake Napier/Hastings · 62% complete completion 2019 **TARANAKI** • 32,348 users can connect: 26% uptake Hawera · 100% complete · 4,912 users can connect: 26% uptake **New Plymouth** · 100% complete · 26,273 users can connect: 33% uptake MANAWATU/WANGANUI Feilding · 50% complete - completion 2018 · 3.386 users can connect: 26% uptake Levin WELLINGTON · 76% complete - completion 2017 Masterton · 6,437 users can connect: 19% uptake · 100% complete **Palmerston North** · 9.551 users can connect: 29% uptake · 76% complete - completion 2019 · 25,990 users can connect: 30% uptake · 54% complete - completion 2019 Whanganui

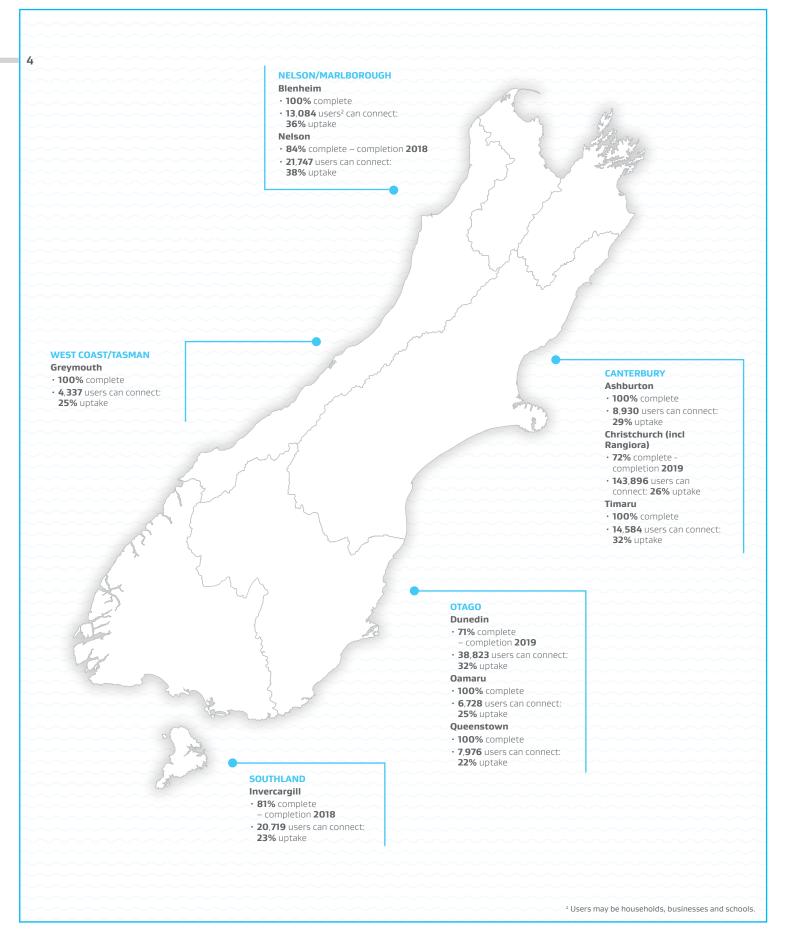
Wellington

· 10,123 users can connect: 17% uptake

51% complete – completion 2019
96,652 users can connect: 26% uptake

UFB1 REGIONAL DEPLOYMENT PROGRESS: SOUTH ISLAND





■ Website

All quarterly broadband updates are available in PDF format through the Ministry's website:

www.mbie.govt.nz/info-services/sectors-industries/technology-communications/fast-broadband/deployment-progress

■ Data Sources

The broadband deployment update is compiled with information from Crown Fibre Holdings and the Government's RBI partners.

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■ Next Release

The next quarterly broadband update is scheduled for release May 2017.

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