THE PROBLEM


ENDNOTES

1 For this infographic, urban areas are defined as counties in metro areas with 1 million or more residents (USDA Rural Urban Continuum Code (RUCC) 1) or any county in a metro area with 250,000 to 1 million residents (RUCC 2).

2 25 Mbps download/3 Mbps upload is the FCC-defined benchmark broadband speed.

3 Static Costs include fiber service terminal, trenching, splitter cabinet and splitter cord.

4 DSL technology not included because its average download speeds are below the FCC benchmark threshold of 25 Mbps/3 Mbps.

5 Bank investment in broadband infrastructure for low- and moderate-income communities may qualify for Community Reinvestment Act (CRA) credit.

6 The High Cost, Schools and Libraries and Rural Health Care Programs are part of the FCC’s Universal Service Fund.

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