

# **Communications Status Report for Areas Impacted by Tropical Storm Barry July 15, 2019**

The following is a report on the status of communications services in geographic areas impacted by Tropical Storm Barry as of July 15, 2019 at 11:30 a.m. EDT. This report incorporates network outage data submitted by communications providers to the Federal Communications Commission's Disaster Information Reporting System (DIRS). DIRS currently covers areas of Louisiana and Mississippi. Note that the operational status of communications services during a disaster may evolve rapidly, and this report represents a snapshot in time.

The following 72 counties are in the current geographic area that is part of DIRS (the "disaster area").

**LOUISIANA:** Acadia, Allen, Ascension, Assumption, Avoyelles, Beauregard, Calcasieu, Caldwell, Cameron, Catahoula, Concordia, East Baton Rouge, East Carroll, East Feliciana, Evangeline, Franklin, Grant, Iberia, Iberville, Jefferson, Jefferson Davis, La Salle, Lafayette, Lafourche, Livingston, Madison, Natchitoches, Orleans, Plaquemines, Pointe Coupee, Rapides, St. Bernard, St. Charles, St. Helena, St. James, St. John the Baptist, St. Landry, St. Martin, St. Mary, St. Tammany, Tangipahoa, Tensas, Terrebonne, Vermilion, Vernon, Washington, West Baton Rouge, West Feliciana, Winn

**MISSISSIPPI:** Adams, Amite, Claiborne, Copiah, Franklin, Hancock, Harrison, Hinds, Issaquena, Jackson, Jefferson, Lamar, Lawrence, Lincoln, Marion, Pearl River, Pike, Sharkey, Stone, Walthall, Warren, Wilkinson, Yazoo

The following map shows the counties in the disaster area:



### **911 Services**

The Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau (PSHSB) learns the status of each Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) through the filings of 911 Service Providers in the Disaster Information Reporting System (DIRS), through reporting done to the FCC's Public Safety Support Center (PSSC), coordination with state 911 Administrators and, if necessary, individual PSAPs.

There are no PSAPs reported down in the disaster areas. No PSAPs are reported as being rerouted. All PSAPs are receiving location information.

### **Wireless Services**

The following section describes the status of wireless communications services and restoration in the disaster area, including the percentage of cell sites out of service for each county.

The following table provides cell sites out of service by county. There are 0.5% (down from 1.7% yesterday) of the cell sites out of service in the affected area. The information shown was provided by the signatories to the Wireless Network Resiliency Cooperative Agreement.

**Louisiana**

<b>State</b>	<b>Affected Counties</b>	<b>Cell Sites Served</b>	<b>Number of Cell Sites Out</b>	<b>Percent Out</b>	<b>Number of Cell Sites Out Due to Damage</b>	<b>Number of Cell Sites Out Due to Transport</b>	<b>Number of Cell Sites Out Due to Power</b>
LA	ACADIA	51	0	0.0%	0	0	0
LA	ALLEN	47	0	0.0%	0	0	0
LA	ASCENSION	99	0	0.0%	0	0	0
LA	ASSUMPTION	23	0	0.0%	0	0	0
LA	AVOYELLES	58	0	0.0%	0	0	0
LA	BEAUREGARD	65	0	0.0%	0	0	0
LA	CALCASIEU	196	0	0.0%	0	0	0
LA	CALDWELL	17	0	0.0%	0	0	0
LA	CAMERON	32	1	3.1%	0	0	1
LA	CATAHOULA	25	0	0.0%	0	0	0
LA	CONCORDIA	29	0	0.0%	0	0	0
LA	EAST BATON ROUGE	405	1	0.2%	0	0	1
LA	EAST CARROLL	9	0	0.0%	0	0	0
LA	EAST FELICIANA	31	0	0.0%	0	0	0
LA	EVANGELINE	43	0	0.0%	0	0	0
LA	FRANKLIN	26	0	0.0%	0	0	0
LA	GRANT	47	0	0.0%	0	0	0
LA	IBERIA	51	1	2.0%	0	1	0
LA	IBERVILLE	50	3	6.0%	0	2	1
LA	JEFFERSON	317	3	0.9%	0	0	3
LA	JEFFERSON DAVIS	42	0	0.0%	0	0	0
LA	LA SALLE	27	0	0.0%	0	0	0
LA	LAFAYETTE	164	0	0.0%	0	0	0
LA	LAFOURCHE	90	4	4.4%	0	0	4
LA	LIVINGSTON	129	0	0.0%	0	0	0
LA	MADISON	29	0	0.0%	0	0	0
LA	NATCHITOCHE	69	0	0.0%	0	0	0
LA	ORLEANS	394	1	0.3%	0	1	0
LA	PLAQUEMINES	60	0	0.0%	0	0	0
LA	POINTE COUPEE	27	1	3.7%	0	1	0
LA	RAPIDES	187	0	0.0%	0	0	0
LA	ST. BERNARD	40	0	0.0%	0	0	0
LA	ST. CHARLES	51	0	0.0%	0	0	0

LA	ST. HELENA	17	0	0.0%	0	0	0
LA	ST. JAMES	37	0	0.0%	0	0	0
LA	ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST	40	1	2.5%	0	0	1
LA	ST. LANDRY	102	0	0.0%	0	0	0
LA	ST. MARTIN	54	0	0.0%	0	0	0
LA	ST. MARY	56	4	7.1%	0	0	4
LA	ST. TAMMANY	287	0	0.0%	0	0	0
LA	TANGIPAHOA	134	0	0.0%	0	0	0
LA	TENSAS	14	0	0.0%	0	0	0
LA	TERREBONNE	91	5	5.5%	0	0	4
LA	VERMILION	49	0	0.0%	0	0	0
LA	VERNON	97	0	0.0%	0	0	0
LA	WASHINGTON	64	0	0.0%	0	0	0
LA	WEST BATON ROUGE	34	0	0.0%	0	0	0
LA	WEST FELICIANA	32	0	0.0%	0	0	0
LA	WINN	28	0	0.0%	0	0	0
LA	CLAIBORNE	9	0	0.0%	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>4,075</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>0.6%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>19</b>

### Mississippi

State	Affected Counties	Cell Sites Served	Number of Cell Sites Out	Percent Out	Number of Cell Sites Out Due to Damage	Number of Cell Sites Out Due to Transport	Number of Cell Sites Out Due to Power
MS	ADAMS	35	0	0.0%	0	0	0
MS	AMITE	24	0	0.0%	0	0	0
MS	CLAIBORNE	11	0	0.0%	0	0	0
MS	COPIAH	41	0	0.0%	0	0	0
MS	FRANKLIN	32	0	0.0%	0	0	0
MS	HANCOCK	53	0	0.0%	0	0	0
MS	HARRISON	196	0	0.0%	0	0	0
MS	HINDS	204	0	0.0%	0	0	0
MS	ISSAQUENA	5	0	0.0%	0	0	0
MS	JACKSON	87	0	0.0%	0	0	0
MS	JEFFERSON	110	0	0.0%	0	0	0
MS	LAMAR	79	0	0.0%	0	0	0
MS	LAWRENCE	9	0	0.0%	0	0	0

MS	LINCOLN	64	0	0.0%	0	0	0
MS	MARION	29	0	0.0%	0	0	0
MS	PEARL RIVER	79	0	0.0%	0	0	0
MS	PIKE	47	0	0.0%	0	0	0
MS	SHARKEY	12	0	0.0%	0	0	0
MS	STONE	20	0	0.0%	0	0	0
MS	WALTHALL	28	0	0.0%	0	0	0
MS	WARREN	56	0	0.0%	0	0	0
MS	WILKINSON	18	0	0.0%	0	0	0
MS	YAZOO	45	0	0.0%	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>1,284</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

The number of cell site outages in a specific area does not necessarily correspond to the availability of wireless service to consumers in that area. See Improving the Resiliency of Mobile Wireless Communications Networks, Order, 31 FCC Rcd 13745, para. 10 (2016) (recognizing the difficulties in accurately depicting the ongoing status of a wireless provider’s service during emergencies). Wireless networks are often designed with numerous, overlapping cell sites that provide maximum capacity and continuity of service even when an individual site is inoperable. Moreover, wireless providers frequently use temporary facilities such as cells-on-wheels (COWs), increased power at operational sites, roaming agreements, or take other actions to maintain service to affected consumers during emergencies or other events that result in cell site outages.

#### **Cable Systems and Wireline (Combined)**

The cable system and wireline outage table reflects outages of communications service provided by cable and wireline companies, which may include the loss of telephone, television, and/or Internet services.

<b>State</b>	<b>Subscribers Out of Service</b>
LA	53,123
MS	462

## **Broadcast**

### Television stations status:

- 17 (up from 16 yesterday) TV stations reported being operational (KATC, KLFY-TV, KSHV-TV, KTAL-TV, KZUP-CD, WAFB, WBRL-CD, WDBD, WGMB-TV, WGNO, WHLT, WJTV, WLAE-TV, WLBT, WLOX, WNTZ-TV, WXXV).
- No TV stations (down from one yesterday) reported being out of service.

### FM Radio stations status:

- 27 (up from 19 yesterday) FM radio stations reported being operational (K246CK, K272EI, K292GE, KCIL, KDLC, KIKL, KITA, KJIN, KRLR, KRVE, KSLU, WBKL, WCJU-FM, WFFF FM, WGCM-FM, WGUO, WHJT, WJDR, WJKK, WJLV, WLGF, WQRG-LP, WQRZ-LP, WUSJ, WYOY, WZKX, WZNF).
- One (up from zero yesterday) FM radio station reported being out of service (W266CD).

### AM Radio stations status:

- 9 (up from 8 yesterday) AM radio stations reported being operational (KEZM, WCJU, WFFF, WGCM, WIIN, WJBO, WROA, WRPM, WSFZ).
- No AM radio stations reported being out of service.