

Communications Status Report for Areas Impacted by Hurricane Ida August 30, 2021

The following is a report on the status of communications services in geographic areas impacted by Hurricane Ida as of August 30, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. EDT. This report incorporates network outage data submitted by communications providers to the Federal Communications Commission's (FCC) Disaster Information Reporting System (DIRS). Note that the operational status of communications services during a disaster may evolve rapidly, and this report represents a snapshot in time.

The following counties are in the current geographic area that is part of DIRS (the "disaster area") for today's report.

Alabama: Baldwin, Clarke, Conecuh, Escambia, Mobile, Monroe, Washington.

Louisiana: Acadia, Ascension, Assumption, Avoyelles, East Baton Rouge, East Feliciana, Evangeline, Iberia, Iberville, Jefferson, Lafayette, Lafourche, Livingston, Orleans, Plaquemines, Point Coupee, St, Martin, St, Mary, St. Bernard, St. Charles, St. Helena, St. James, St. John the Baptist, St. Landry, St. Martin, St. Tammany, Tangipahoa, Terrebonne, Vermillion, Washington, West Baton Rouge, West Feliciana.

Mississippi: Adams, Alcorn, Amite, Attala, Benton, Bolivar, Calhoun, Carroll, Chickasaw, Choctaw, Claiborne, Clay, Coahoma, Copiah, DeSoto, Forrest, Franklin, George, Greene, Grenada, Hancock, Harrison, Hinds, Holmes, Humphreys, Issaquena, Itawamba, Jackson, Jefferson, Lafayette, Lamar, Lee, Leflore, Lincoln, Madison, Marion, Marshall, Monroe, Montgomery, Panola, Pearl River, Perry, Pike, Pontotoc, Prentiss, Quitman, Sharkey, Stone, Sunflower, Tallahatchie, Tate, Tippah, Tishomingo, Tunica, Union, Walthall, Warren, Washington, Webster, Wilkinson, Yalobusha, Yazoo.





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 DIRS, reporting to the FCC's Public Safety Support Center, coordination with state 911 Administrators and, if necessary, direct contact with individual PSAPs.

Alabama: No PSAPs are reported as being affected.

Louisiana:

- Livingston Parish 911, St. Mary Parish, and Vermilion Parish 911 are reported as being operational with no location information.
- Orleans Parish and St. John Parish Sheriff's Office have re-routed 911 calls to another PSAP with location information.
- St. Bernard Parish Fire, St. Bernard Parish Sheriff's Office, and Terrebonne Parish have rerouted 911 calls to the administrative lines without location information.

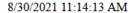
Mississippi: No PSAPs are reported as being affected.

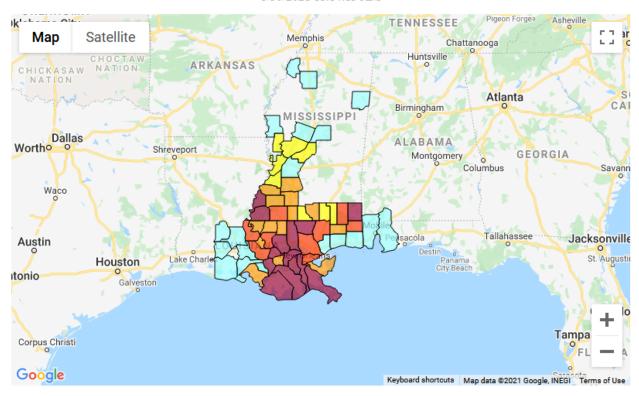
Wireless Services

The current status of wireless communications services and restoration by county is shown by the following map.



Percent Cell Sites Out-of-Service By County





1 - 15 16 - 30 31 - 45 46 - 60 61 - 100

The following table provides cell sites out of service by county. 28.1% of the cell sites in the affected area are out of service. The information shown was provided by the signatories to the Wireless Network Resiliency Framework Cooperative Agreement.

Alabama

| State | Affected Counties | Cell Sites Served | Cell Sites Out | Percent Out | Cell Sites Out Due to Damage | Cell Sites Out Due to Transport ¹ | Cell Sites Out Due to Power |
|-------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------|------------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|
| AL | BALDWIN | 329 | 4 | 1.2% | 3 | 0 | 1 |
| AL | CLARKE | 46 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| AL | CONECUH | 39 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| AL | ESCAMBIA | 55 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| AL | MOBILE | 487 | 6 | 1.2% | 0 | 3 | 3 |

¹ These are cell sites that are out due to issues with the (typically wireline) networks that route communications traffic to and from the cell sites.



| AL | MONROE | 31 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|-------|------------|-------|----|------|---|---|---|
| AL | WASHINGTON | 32 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| TOTAL | | 1,019 | 10 | 1.0% | 3 | 3 | 4 |

Louisiana

| State | Affected Counties | Cell Sites Served | Cell Sites Out | Percent Out | Cell Sites Out Due to Damage | Cell Sites Out Due to Transport | Cell Sites Out Due to Power |
|-------|-------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| LA | ACADIA | 45 | 1 | 2.2% | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| LA | ASCENSION | 88 | 55 | 62.5% | 4 | 14 | 48 |
| LA | ASSUMPTION | 19 | 19 | 100.0% | 2 | 6 | 12 |
| LA | AVOYELLES | 52 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| LA | EAST BATON ROUGE | 360 | 216 | 60.0% | 14 | 69 | 142 |
| LA | EAST FELICIANA | 27 | 12 | 44.4% | 0 | 4 | 10 |
| LA | EVANGELINE | 41 | 1 | 2.4% | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| LA | IBERIA | 46 | 1 | 2.2% | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| LA | IBERVILLE | 42 | 19 | 45.2% | 1 | 8 | 11 |
| LA | JEFFERSON | 289 | 202 | 69.9% | 18 | 67 | 123 |
| LA | LAFAYETTE | 154 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| LA | LAFOURCHE | 78 | 76 | 97.4% | 5 | 26 | 48 |
| LA | LIVINGSTON | 121 | 89 | 73.6% | 5 | 25 | 66 |
| LA | ORLEANS | 348 | 185 | 53.2% | 24 | 57 | 111 |
| LA | PLAQUEMINES | 56 | 50 | 89.3% | 5 | 19 | 26 |
| LA | POINTE COUPEE | 25 | 15 | 60.0% | 0 | 8 | 6 |
| LA | ST. MARY | 56 | 18 | 32.1% | 2 | 10 | 6 |
| LA | ST. BERNARD | 36 | 13 | 36.1% | 3 | 0 | 10 |
| LA | ST. CHARLES | 41 | 26 | 63.4% | 3 | 6 | 17 |
| LA | ST. HELENA | 13 | 5 | 38.5% | 0 | 0 | 5 |
| LA | ST. JAMES | 33 | 14 | 42.4% | 3 | 0 | 11 |
| LA | ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST | 27 | 19 | 70.4% | 1 | 1 | 17 |
| LA | ST. LANDRY | 85 | 2 | 2.4% | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| LA | ST. MARTIN | 48 | 2 | 4.2% | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| LA | ST. TAMMANY | 260 | 152 | 58.5% | 18 | 33 | 101 |
| LA | TANGIPAHOA | 118 | 101 | 85.6% | 7 | 26 | 79 |
| LA | TERREBONNE | 81 | 81 | 100.0% | 6 | 35 | 46 |
| LA | VERMILION | 55 | 1 | 1.8% | 1 | 0 | 0 |



| LA | WASHINGTON | 55 | 42 | 76.4% | 1 | 13 | 29 |
|-------|---------------------|-------|-------|-------|-----|-----|-----|
| LA | WEST BATON ROUGE | 32 | 11 | 34.4% | 0 | 7 | 4 |
| LA | WEST FELICIANA | 28 | 9 | 32.1% | 1 | 4 | 5 |
| TOTAI | | 2,759 | 1,437 | 52.1% | 128 | 441 | 933 |

Mississippi

| State | Affected Counties | Cell Sites Served | Cell Sites Out | Percent Out | Cell Sites Out Due to Damage | Cell Sites Out Due to Transport | Cell Sites Out Due to Power |
|-------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| MS | ADAMS | 41 | 25 | 61.0% | 2 | 18 | 5 |
| MS | ALCORN | 34 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| MS | AMITE | 24 | 11 | 45.8% | 0 | 5 | 6 |
| MS | ATTALA | 19 | 2 | 10.5% | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| MS | BENTON | 19 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| MS | BOLIVAR | 28 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| MS | CALHOUN | 19 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| MS | CARROLL | 24 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| MS | CHICKASAW | 17 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| MS | CHOCTAW | 15 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| MS | CLAIBORNE | 12 | 2 | 16.7% | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| MS | CLAY | 10 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| MS | СОАНОМА | 26 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| MS | СОРІАН | 37 | 12 | 32.4% | 0 | 8 | 4 |
| MS | DESOTO | 160 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| MS | FORREST | 84 | 17 | 20.2% | 2 | 14 | 1 |
| MS | FRANKLIN | 29 | 11 | 37.9% | 0 | 4 | 7 |
| MS | GEORGE | 40 | 21 | 52.5% | 0 | 20 | 1 |
| MS | GREENE | 34 | 21 | 61.8% | 0 | 21 | 0 |
| MS | GRENADA | 33 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| MS | HANCOCK | 61 | 5 | 8.2% | 0 | 3 | 2 |
| MS | HARRISON | 208 | 3 | 1.4% | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| MS | HINDS | 199 | 23 | 11.6% | 1 | 16 | 6 |
| MS | HOLMES | 31 | 1 | 3.2% | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| MS | HUMPHREYS | 7 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| MS | ISSAQUENA | 3 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| MS | ITAWAMBA | 28 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| MS | JACKSON | 132 | 2 | 1.5% | 1 | 1 | 0 |



| TOTAL | | 2,714 | 377 | 13.9% | 16 | 269 | 93 |
|-------|--------------|-------|-----|-------|----|-----|----|
| MS | YAZOO | 37 | 11 | 29.7% | 0 | 11 | 0 |
| MS | YALOBUSHA | 26 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| MS | WILKINSON | 18 | 12 | 66.7% | 0 | 5 | 7 |
| MS | WEBSTER | 22 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| MS | WASHINGTON | 35 | 4 | 11.4% | 0 | 4 | 0 |
| MS | WARREN | 50 | 11 | 22.0% | 0 | 10 | 1 |
| MS | WALTHALL | 25 | 7 | 28.0% | 0 | 2 | 5 |
| MS | UNION | 33 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| MS | TUNICA | 31 | 1 | 3.2% | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| MS | TISHOMINGO | 19 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| MS | TIPPAH | 22 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| MS | TATE | 35 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| MS | TALLAHATCHIE | 19 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| MS | SUNFLOWER | 24 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| MS | STONE | 19 | 7 | 36.8% | 1 | 6 | 0 |
| MS | SHARKEY | 11 | 3 | 27.3% | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| MS | QUITMAN | 8 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| MS | PRENTISS | 17 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| MS | PONTOTOC | 37 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| MS | PIKE | 46 | 15 | 32.6% | 1 | 2 | 11 |
| MS | PERRY | 25 | 12 | 48.0% | 0 | 11 | 1 |
| MS | PEARL RIVER | 82 | 41 | 50.0% | 1 | 28 | 14 |
| MS | PANOLA | 40 | 1 | 2.5% | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| MS | MONTGOMERY | 23 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| MS | MONROE | 52 | 1 | 1.9% | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| MS | MARSHALL | 56 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| MS | MARION | 25 | 10 | 40.0% | 0 | 8 | 2 |
| MS | MADISON | 120 | 24 | 20.0% | 3 | 20 | 1 |
| MS | LINCOLN | 59 | 20 | 33.9% | 2 | 10 | 8 |
| MS | LEFLORE | 35 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| MS | LEE | 86 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| MS | LAMAR | 75 | 21 | 28.0% | 0 | 18 | 3 |
| MS | LAFAYETTE | 83 | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 |

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. In addition, wireless providers frequently use temporary facilities such as cells-on-wheels (also known as 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)

Cable and wireline companies reported the following number of subscribers out of service by state in the disaster area; this may include the loss of telephone, television, and/or Internet services:

| Alabama | Louisiana | Mississippi | |
|---------|-----------|-------------|--|
| 478 | 338,115 | 16,106 | |

Broadcast:

Television stations status:

- 15 TV stations reported being operational (KATC, KBTR, KDCG, KLWB, KXKW, WALA-TV, WBRZ, WDBD, WEIQ, WJTV, WLAE-TV, WLBT, WTOK-TV, WVUE-DT, WXXV-TV).
- 2 TV stations are reported as being out of service (WGNO, WNOL-TV).

FM Radio stations status:

- 19 FM radio stations reported being operational (KFXZ, KLFT, KLWB, KOGM, KRVE, KSALU, KSLO, KYMK, WFFF-FM, WFMF, WKSO, WQNZ, WQRG-LP, WQRZ-LP, WQUE-FM, WWUU, WWUU, WYLD-FM, WYNK-FM).
- 3 AM stations reported being out of service (KVDU, WNOE, WRNO-FM).

AM Radio stations status:

- 6 AM radio stations reported being operational (KFXZ, KSLO, KVOL, WFFF, WJBO, WNAT).
- 2 AM radio stations reported being out of service (WODT, WYLD).

Special Temporary Authority (STA)/Waivers

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) may grant Special Temporary Authority (STA) to permit immediate or temporary operation of certain radio facilities during emergencies or other urgent conditions, as well as waivers to support emergency communications and service restoration.



During Hurricane Ida, there have been no STAs granted as of 11 am August 30. The FCC granted an ARRL emergency request for a temporary waiver to permit higher symbol rate data transmissions for Hurricane Ida traffic. The FCC also granted a temporary waiver to allow carriers in affected areas greater flexibility in number portability, to assist in restoring service to affected customers more quickly.