BROADBAND QOS REPORT

QUARTER 1 REPORT – 2017

- Fixed Broadband
- Mobile Data & Voice

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1. INTRODUCTION

MEASUREMENT METHOD OVERVIEW

The objective of measuring the performance of broadband and mobile internet is to facilitate clear understanding by consumers of the service quality in the Bahraini market. TRA has implemented a monitoring solution utilizing several probes across the Kingdom's regions that are deployed to simulate and collect samples of the customer experience. These probes conduct continuous tests of various services in order to enable the measurement of service quality around the clock, thus reflecting user experience for Internet Service Providers (ISPs) and Mobile Network Operators (MNOs).

The test results are propagated to a backend server for analysis and reporting on a real time portal, making it possible to compare the performance of several internet and mobile service packages.

Each testing location contains two testing probes, a fixed probe and a mobile probe. The fixed probe measures different internet packages from different ISPs for Broadband Internet Services, while the mobile probe measures MNO voice and data (internet) services from a stationary prospective to purely focus on the quality of each service offered.
The Mobile probes simulates a customer experience from a stationary point of view for Mobile Services. The stationary Mobile Testing Results presented in this report should not be confused with the results presented in the Annual QoS Mobile Audit Reports, which the Authority publishes on Annual basis after conducting a thorough Drive Test Audit benchmarking campaign across the kingdom.

An overview of the technical solution deployed to collect these results is presented in Figure 1 below.

The terms 'On-Net' and 'Off-Net' are used to describe different test types. For example, 'On-Net' is referred to when a call (or an internet use) originates from and terminates on a single Service provider's network. 'Off-Net' is applied when the call (or internet use) is originated to reach a subscriber (or service) on a different network than the subscriber's Service Provider network.

This report is based on data collected between January 1st, 2017 and March 31st, 2017. The data has been averaged according to the hours of the day.

Tested parameters that has been conducted, are:

HTTP	Hypertext Transfer Protocol
FTP	File Transfer Protocol
PING	Packet Internet Groper
Time to First Byte	Domain Name System
Social Media Applications	Facebook, Twitter, YouTube

The Testing Lines package used are detailed in Annex 1 for the purpose of reference; these service packages have been selected to benchmark similar service offerings from the different operators in the market.

For this test, the following scenario reflects the selection process that was performed on the carefully chosen packages:

A customer in search of a provider for internet services approaches a telecom outlet retail shop and requests broadband internet service for his/her home. At this point he/she is not concerned by technology and only indicates that he/she would like a connection with a minimum download speed of 8Mbps. Depending on which service provider shop he/she is in, it is possible that the sales agent may propose any technology (ADSL, Fiber or LTE) to the consumer as long as it satisfies his/her requirement of 8mbps download speed as a minimum.

Accordingly, testing results of the download speed of the different packages, irrespective of their technology, has been selected for the purpose of this benchmark.
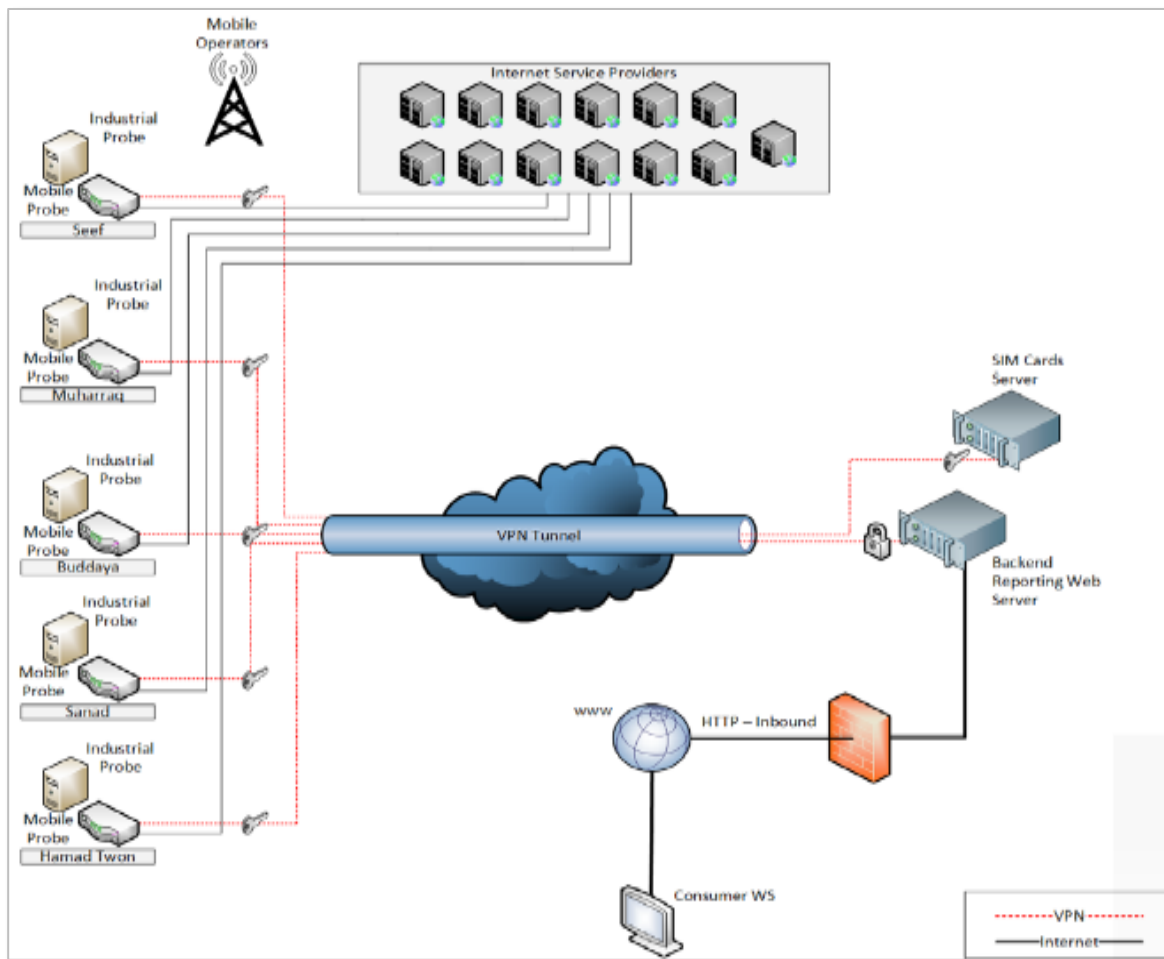
NOTICEABLE EVENTS FOR THIIS QUARTER

- LTE Mobile network performance for HTTP in 2016 Q4 was reported as 22.69 Mbps and the 2017 Q1 results show an increase from 22.69 Mbps to 23.36 Mbps.

- Menatelecom and Zain introduced new LTE service to enhance the customer experience.

- Zain LTE/4G ONNET HTTP Download test results removed from the report due to ONNET test server issue during the period of (January to March) Q1 2017.

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2.1   HTTP DOWNLOAD SPEED FOR WIRE-LINE RESIDENTIAL PACKAGES

Testing HTTP download speed depends on various variables in the network that could influence the download performance. Following data is the result of downloading a file stored on a server that is hosted on the provider's own network (On-Net).
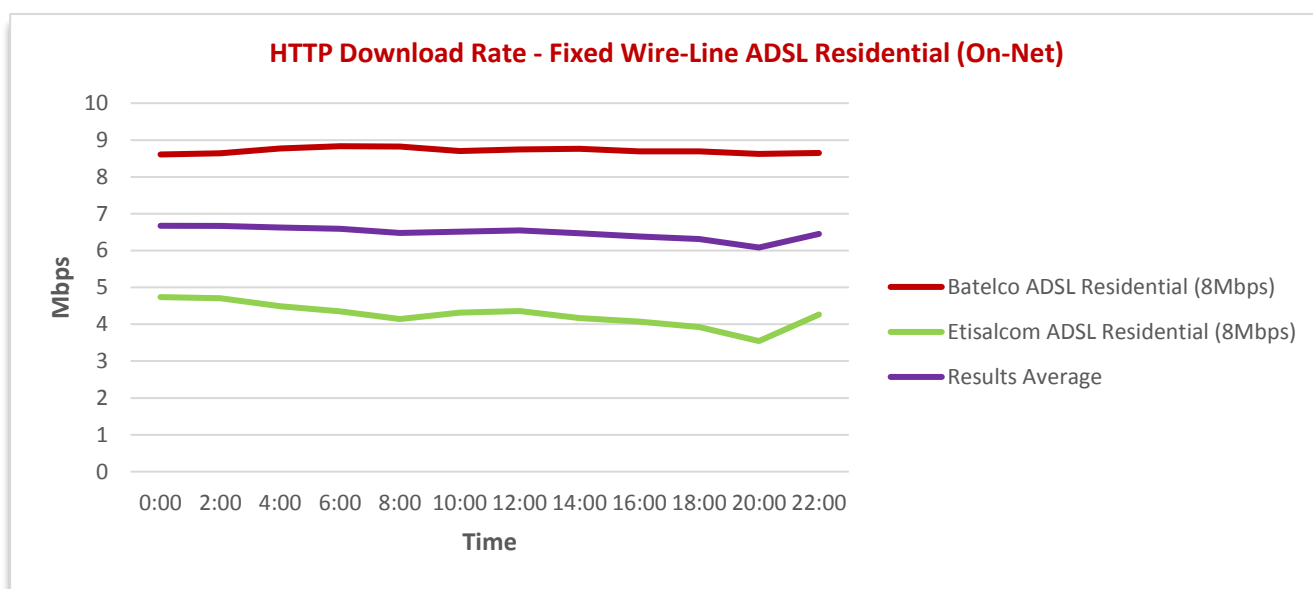
HTTP (On-Net) Download Speed - Chart View (Mbps)

ISP Name	00:00	02:00	04:00	06:00	08:00	10:00	12:00	14:00	16:00	18:00	20:00	22:00
Batelco ADSL Residential (8Mbps)	8.61	8.64	8.77	8.83	8.82	8.70	8.74	8.76	8.69	8.69	8.62	8.65
Etisalcom ADSL Residential (8Mbps)	4.74	4.70	4.49	4.35	4.14	4.32	4.35	4.17	4.07	3.93	3.54	4.26
Industry Average	6.67	6.67	6.63	6.59	6.48	6.51	6.55	6.47	6.38	6.31	6.08	6.46

HTTP (On-Net) Download Speed - Summary Table (Mbps)

HIGHLIGHT

- Results average for HTTP download speed of 6.5 Mbps has been noticed.
- Higher HTTP download value indicates higher downlink internet speed.

HTTP download speed testing depends on various variables in the network that could influence the download performance. Following data is the result of downloading a file stored on an external network from the service provider's own network (Off-Net).

HTTP Download Rate - Fixed Wire-Line ADSL Residential (Off-Net)

HTTP (Off-Net) Download Speed - Chart View (Mbps)

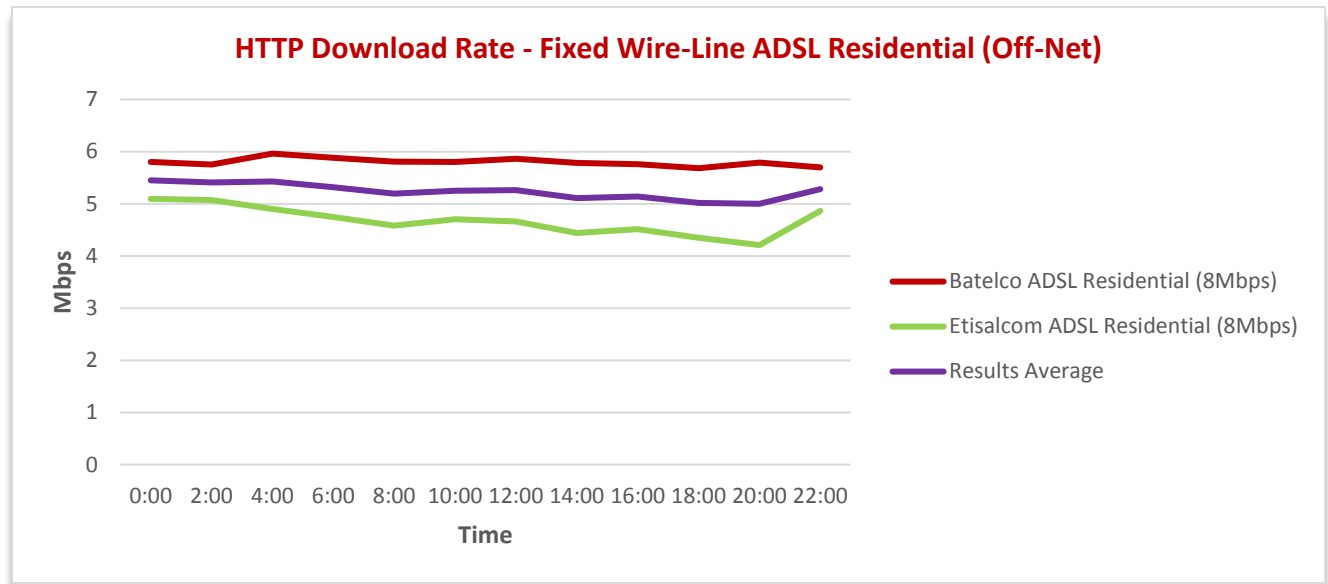| ISP Name	00:00	02:00	04:00	06:00	08:00	10:00	12:00	14:00	16:00	18:00	20:00	22:00
Batelco ADSL Residential (8Mbps)	5.80	5.75	5.96	5.88	5.81	5.80	5.87	5.78	5.76	5.68	5.79	5.70
Etisalcom ADSL Residential (8Mbps)	5.09	5.07	4.90	4.75	4.58	4.70	4.66	4.44	4.51	4.35	4.21	4.86
Results Average	5.45	5.41	5.43	5.32	5.19	5.25	5.26	5.11	5.14	5.02	5.00	5.28

HTTP (Off-Net) Download Speed - Summary Table (Mbps)

HIGHLIGHT

- Results Average HTTP download speed of 5.23 Mbps has been recorded.
- Higher HTTP download value indicates higher downlink internet speed.

2.2   HTTP DOWNLOAD SPEED FOR HIGH SPEED RESIDENTIAL PACKAGES

Testing HTTP download speed depends on various variables in the network that could influence the download performance. Following data is the result of downloading a file stored on a server that is hosted on the provider's own network (On-Net).

HTTP Download Rate - Fixed Wire-Line Fiber (On-Net)
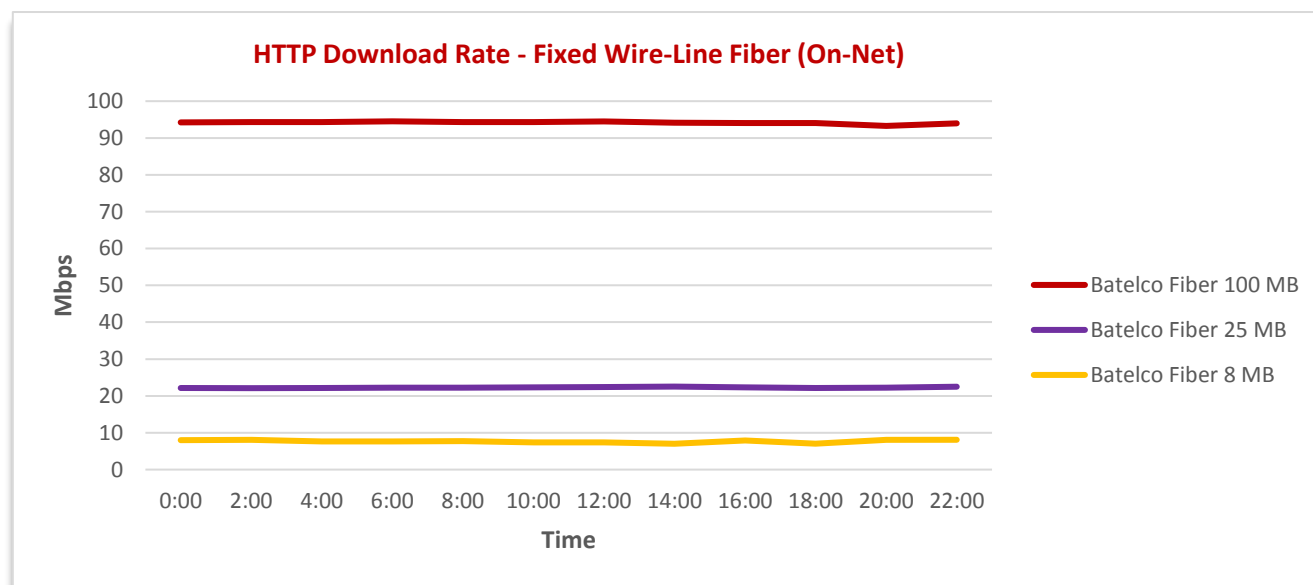
HTTP (On-Net) Download Speed - Chart View (Mbps)

ISP Name	00:00	02:00	04:00	06:00	08:00	10:00	12:00	14:00	16:00	18:00	20:00	22:00
Batelco Fiber 8 MB	8.03	8.04	7.60	7.66	7.76	7.35	7.34	7.02	7.87	7.05	8.08	8.10
Batelco Fiber 25 MB	22.14	22.11	22.18	22.22	22.20	22.35	22.40	22.53	22.35	22.14	22.25	22.50
Batelco Fiber 100 MB	94.22	94.29	94.32	94.52	94.32	94.28	94.47	94.15	94.09	94.08	93.28	94.01

HTTP (On-Net) Download Speed - Summary Table (Mbps)

HIGHLIGHT

- Average HTTP download speed for the 8 Mbps package is 7.66, 25 Mbps package is 22.28 Mbps while for the 100Mbps package it has been recorded as 94.17 Mbps.
- Higher HTTP download value indicates higher downlink internet speed.

HTTP download speed testing depends on various variables in the network that could influence the download performance. Following data is the result of downloading a file stored on an external network from the service provider's own network (Off-Net).

HTTP Download Rate - Fixed Wire-Line Fiber (Off-Net)

HTTP (Off-Net) Download Speed - Chart View (Mbps)

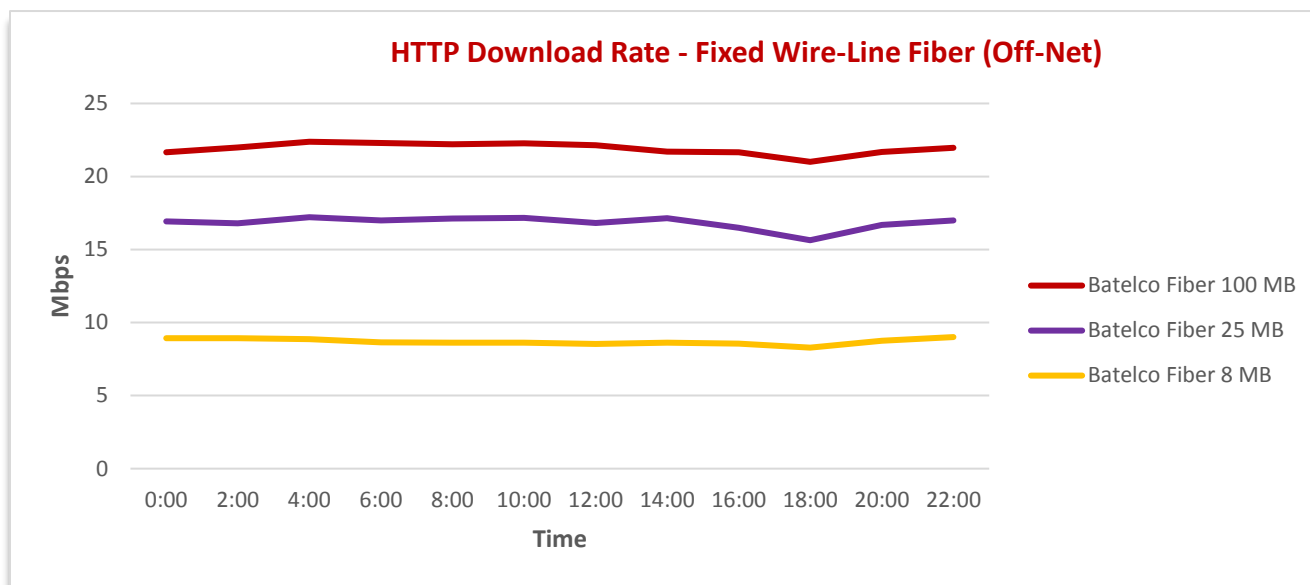| ISP Name	00:00	02:00	04:00	06:00	08:00	10:00	12:00	14:00	16:00	18:00	20:00	22:00
Batelco Fiber 8 MB	8.92	8.94	8.86	8.65	8.62	8.62	8.54	8.63	8.57	8.28	8.76	9.01
Batelco Fiber 25 MB	16.92	16.80	17.21	16.99	17.13	17.16	16.82	17.15	16.48	15.64	16.68	16.99
Batelco Fiber 100 MB	21.65	21.99	22.38	22.28	22.22	22.28	22.14	21.71	21.65	21.01	21.67	21.96

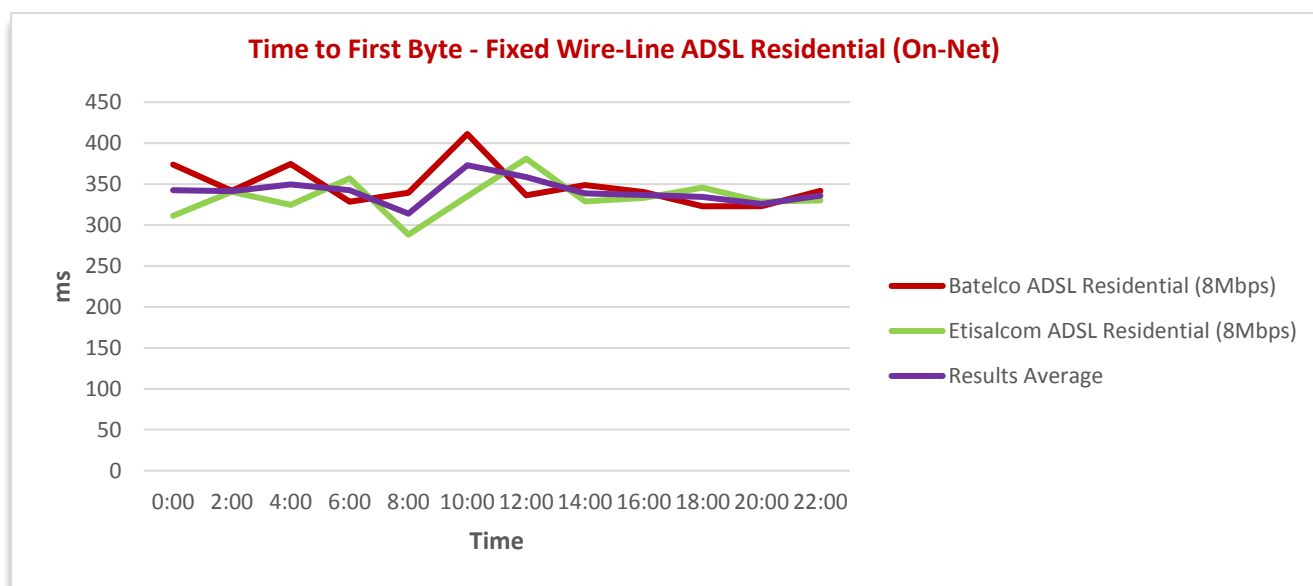HTTP (Off-Net) Download Speed - Summary Table (Mbps)

HIGHLIGHT

- Average HTTP download speed for the 8 Mbps package is 8.7Mbps, 25Mbps package is 16.8Mbps; while for the 100Mbps package it has been recorded as 22 Mbps.
- Higher HTTP download value indicates higher downlink internet speed.

2.3   TIME TO FIRST BYTE FOR FIXED WIRE-LINE RESIDENTIAL PACKAGES

The Time to First Byte test records the time taken (in milliseconds) to resolve a fully qualified domain name into a corresponding IP address till the HTTP page starts downloading. The DNS servers used for the query in this section is located within the provider's own network (On-Net).

Time to First Byte (On-Net) Chart View (milliseconds)

ISP Name	00:00	02:00	04:00	06:00	08:00	10:00	12:00	14:00	16:00	18:00	20:00	22:00
Batelco ADSL Residential (8Mbps)	373.82	341.75	374.42	328.40	339.53	411.12	336.22	348.71	340.09	322.90	322.96	341.88
Etisalcom ADSL Residential (8Mbps)	311.42	340.67	324.36	356.90	288.22	334.92	381.03	328.75	333.18	345.65	328.59	329.90
Results Average	342.62	341.21	349.39	342.65	313.88	373.02	358.62	338.73	336.64	334.27	325.78	335.89

Time to First Byte (On-Net) Table View (milliseconds)

HIGHLIGHT	• The Results Average Time to First Byte is 341 milliseconds. • The lower the Time to First Byte, the better the customer browsing experience in loading web pages.

The Time to First Byte test records the time taken (in milliseconds) to resolve a fully qualified domain name into a corresponding IP address till the HTTP page starts downloading. The DNS servers used for the query in this section is located outside the provider's network from the service provider's own network (Off-Net).

Time to First Byte (Off-Net) Chart View (milliseconds)

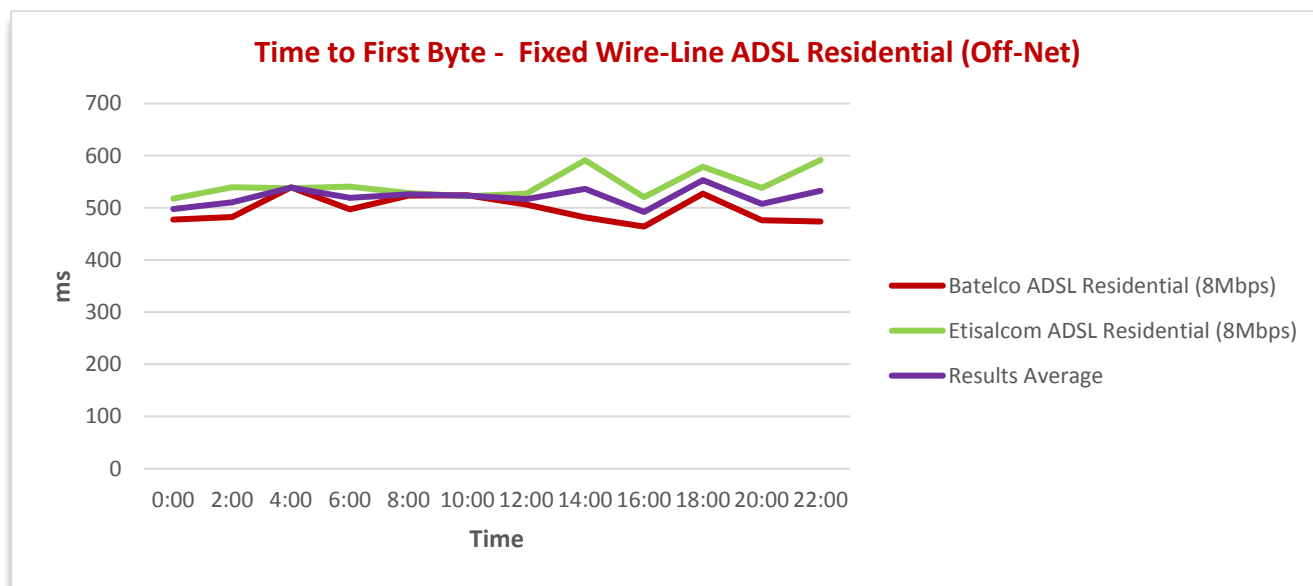| ISP Name	00:00	02:00	04:00	06:00	08:00	10:00	12:00	14:00	16:00	18:00	20:00	22:00
Batelco ADSL Residential (8Mbps)	477.53	482.22	539.37	497.17	523.24	524.42	506.50	481.55	464.09	527.41	476.10	474.08
Etisalcom ADSL Residential (8Mbp	517.80	539.22	537.89	540.83	528.28	522.28	527.44	591.33	520.17	578.84	538.51	591.31
Results Average	497.67	510.72	538.63	519.00	525.76	523.35	516.97	536.44	492.13	553.13	507.31	532.70

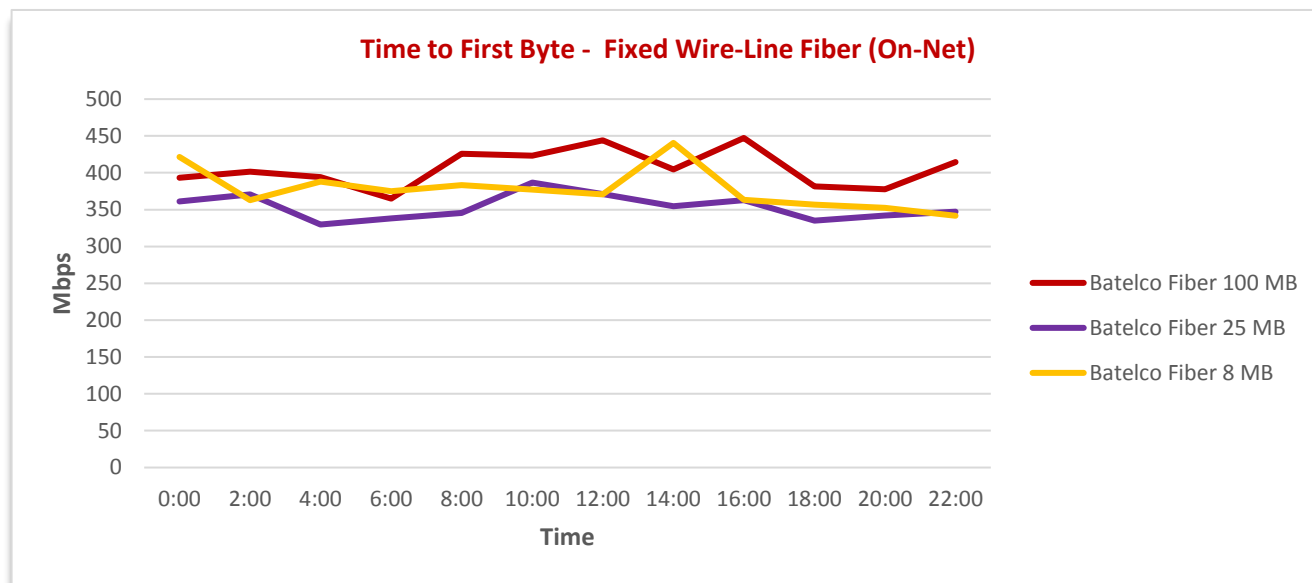**Time to First Byte (Off-Net) Table View (milliseconds)**

HIGHLIGHT

- The Results average of Time to First Byte is 521 milliseconds.
- The lower the Time to First Byte, the better the customer browsing experience in loading web pages

2.4   TIME TO FIRST BYTE FOR HIGH SPEED RESIDENTIAL PACKAGES

The Time to First Byte test records the time taken (in milliseconds) to resolve a fully qualified domain name into a corresponding IP address till the HTTP page starts downloading. The DNS servers used for the query in this section is located within the provider's own network (On-Net).

Time to First Byte - Fixed Wire-Line Fiber (On-Net)

Time to First Byte (On-Net) Chart View (milliseconds)

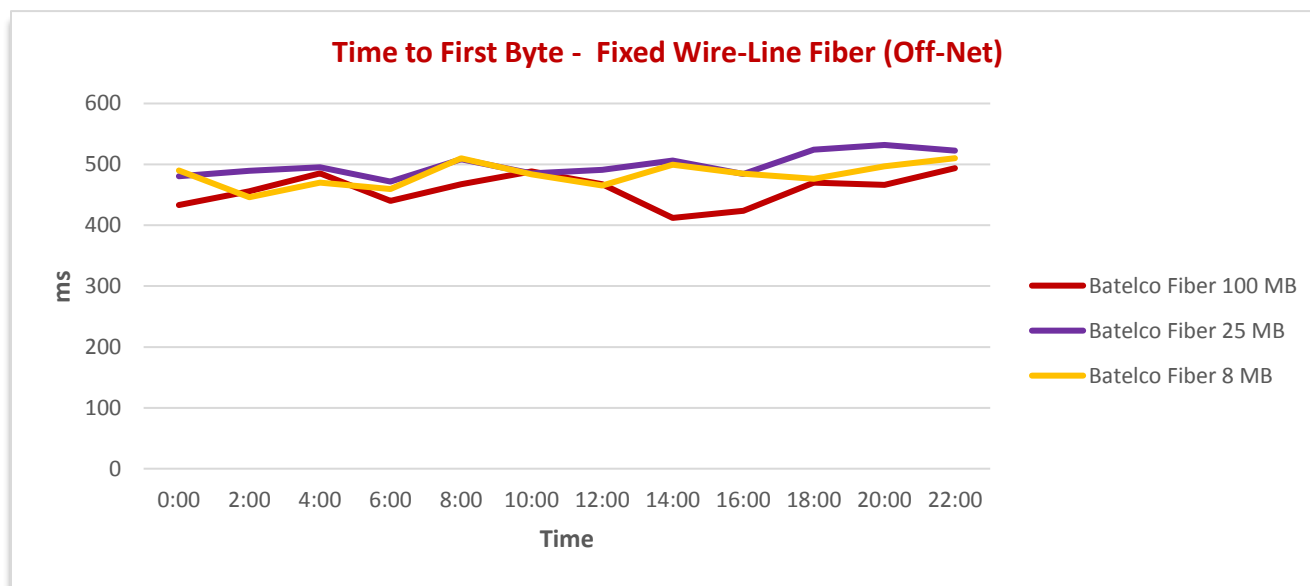| ISP Name	00:00	02:00	04:00	06:00	08:00	10:00	12:00	14:00	16:00	18:00	20:00	22:00
Batelco Fiber 8 MB	421.39	362.98	388.04	375.13	383.27	377.38	370.84	440.56	363.35	356.61	352.60	341.70
Batelco Fiber 25 MB	360.92	370.55	329.80	338.08	345.69	386.71	371.19	354.65	362.93	335.20	342.06	347.34
Batelco Fiber 100 MB	393.22	401.47	394.34	364.98	425.66	423.37	443.90	404.77	447.26	381.60	377.84	414.35

Time to First Byte (On-Net) Table View (milliseconds)

HIGHLIGHT

- The average Time to First Byte for the 8 Mbps package is 378 milliseconds, 25 Mbps package is 354 milliseconds; while for the 100Mbps package is 406 milliseconds.
- The lower the Time to First Byte, the better the customer browsing experience in loading web pages.

The Time to First Byte test records the time taken (in milliseconds) to resolve a fully qualified domain name into a corresponding IP address till the HTTP page starts downloading. The DNS servers used for the query in this section is located outside the provider's network from the service provider's own network (Off-Net).

Time to First Byte - Fixed Wire-Line Fiber (Off-Net)

Time to First Byte (Off-Net) Chart View (milliseconds)

ISP Name	00:00	02:00	04:00	06:00	08:00	10:00	12:00	14:00	16:00	18:00	20:00	22:00
Batelco Fiber 8 MB	490.17	446.03	469.88	459.58	509.69	483.91	465.46	499.39	484.95	476.09	496.84	510.12
Batelco Fiber 25 MB	480.45	489.26	495.42	471.73	508.14	485.46	491.03	506.11	484.18	524.16	531.88	522.71
Batelco Fiber 100 MB	433.18	455.55	485.01	439.99	467.44	488.21	467.35	412.02	423.74	470.09	466.49	493.73

**Time to First Byte (Off-Net) Table View (milliseconds)**

HIGHLIGHT

- The Average Time to First Byte for the 8 Mbps package is 483, 25 Mbps package is 499 milliseconds; while for the 100Mbps package it is 459 milliseconds.
- The lower the Time to First Byte, the better the customer browsing experience in loading web pages.

2.5 PING TIME FOR FIXED WIRE-LINE RESIDENTIAL PACKAGES

Ping time or round trip time (RTT) is a method to measure the time it takes to send a number of Bytes to a destination host and have them acknowledged. The ping test has been performed by sending five (5) packets of 32 bytes each to a server located within the provider's own network (On-Net), and measuring the response time. The higher the ping time represents higher latency, therefore lower ping time results denotes better customer experience for internet applications and websites response time.

PING TIME- Fixed Wire-Line ADSL Residential (On-Net)
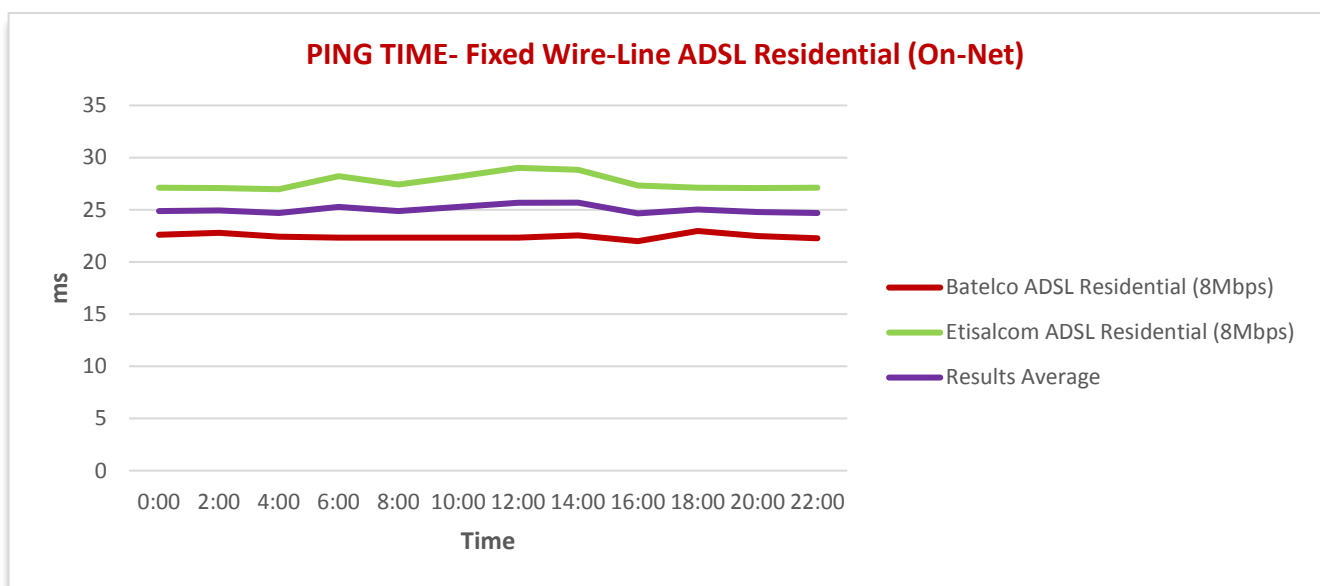
Ping Time (On-Net) Chart View (milliseconds)

ISP Name	00:00	02:00	04:00	06:00	08:00	10:00	12:00	14:00	16:00	18:00	20:00	22:00
Batelco ADSL Residential (8Mbps)	22.62	22.80	22.42	22.33	22.34	22.34	22.32	22.53	21.99	22.97	22.49	22.26
Etisalcom ADSL Residential (8Mbps)	27.12	27.09	26.97	28.22	27.43	28.18	29.02	28.83	27.31	27.10	27.08	27.10
Results Average	24.87	24.95	24.69	25.27	24.89	25.26	25.67	25.68	24.65	25.03	24.78	24.68

Ping Time (On-Net) Table View (milliseconds)

HIGHLIGHT

- The Results average Latency is at 25 milliseconds.
- The lower the value of the ping time, the better is the network quality that will provide a higher customer experience.

Ping time or round trip time (RTT) is a method to measure the time it takes to send a number of Bytes to a destination host and have them acknowledged. The ping test has been performed by sending five (5) packets of 32 bytes each to a server located outside the provider's own network (Off-Net), and measuring the response time. The higher the ping time represents higher latency, so lower ping time denotes better customer experience for internet applications and websites response time.

PING TIME- Fixed Wire-Line ADSL Residential (Off-Net)

Ping Time (Off-Net) Chart View (milliseconds)

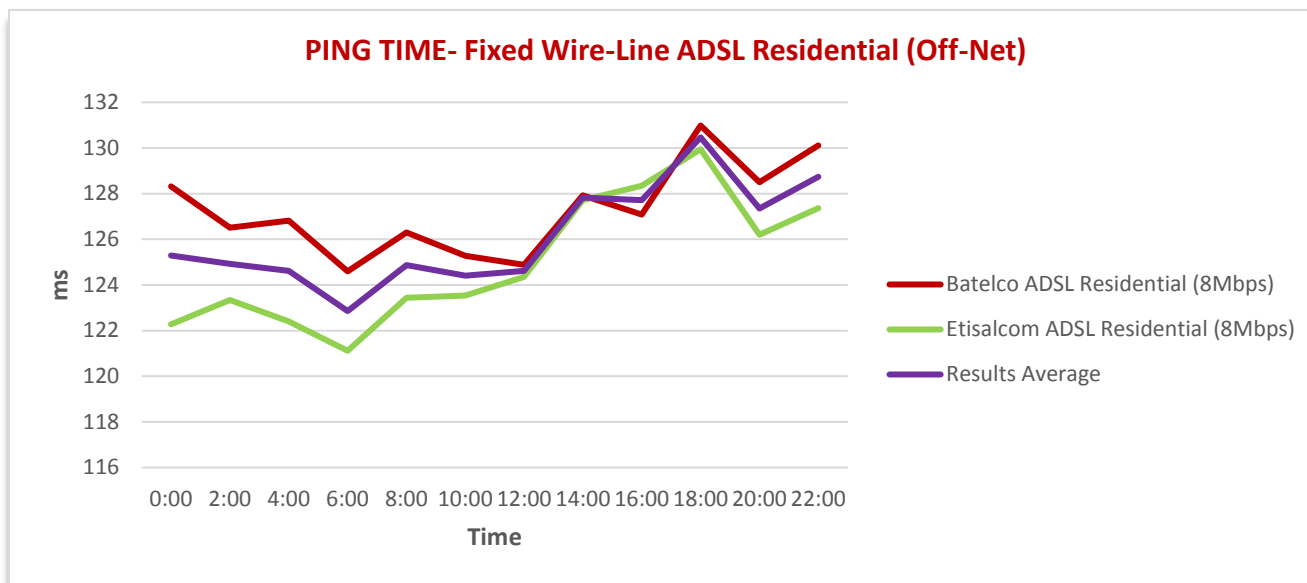| ISP Name	00:00	02:00	04:00	06:00	08:00	10:00	12:00	14:00	16:00	18:00	20:00	22:00
Batelco ADSL Residential (8Mbps)	128.31	126.51	126.82	124.60	126.30	125.28	124.89	127.93	127.08	130.98	128.51	130.11
Etisalcom ADSL Residential (8Mbps)	122.27	123.35	122.40	121.12	123.44	123.53	124.35	127.72	128.34	129.94	126.20	127.36
Results Average	125.29	124.93	124.61	122.86	124.87	124.41	124.62	127.82	127.71	130.46	127.35	128.74

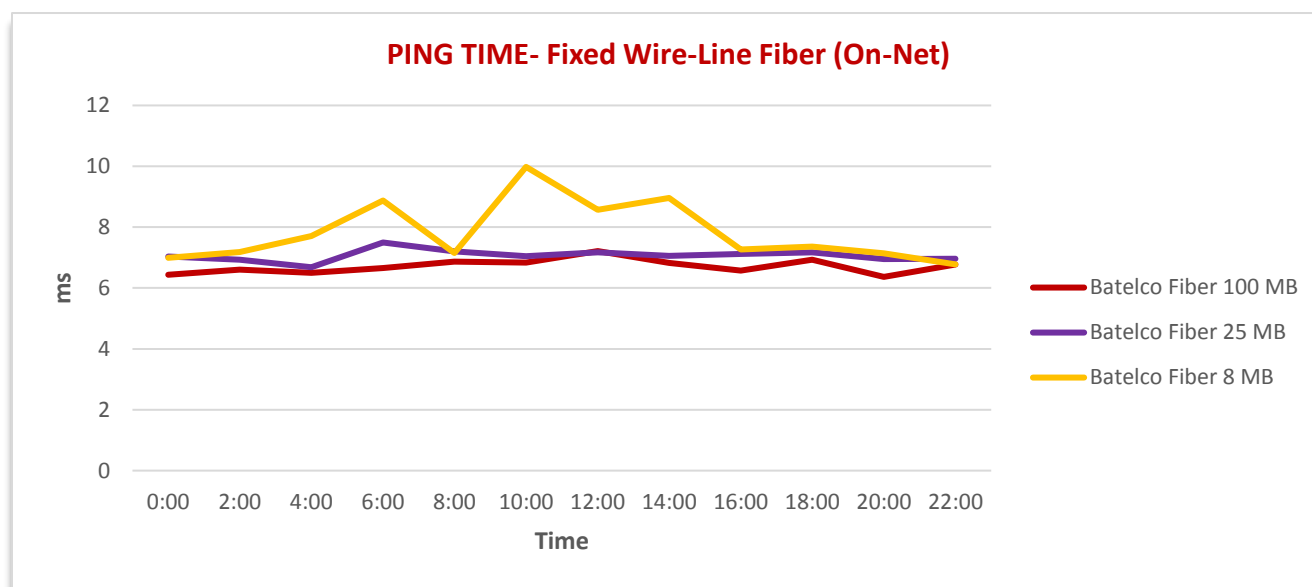**Ping Time (Off-Net) Table View (milliseconds)**

HIGHLIGHT

- The Results Average Latency is at 126 milliseconds.
- The lower the value of the ping time, the better is the network quality that will provide a higher customer experience.

2.6 PING TIME FOR HIGH SEED RESIDENTIAL PACKAGES

Ping time or round trip time (RTT) is a method to measure the time it takes to send a number of Bytes to a destination host and have them acknowledged. The ping test has been performed by sending five (5) packets of 32 bytes each to a server located within the provider's own network (On-Net), and measuring the response time. The higher the ping time represents higher latency, so lower ping time denotes better customer experience for internet applications and websites response time.

Ping Time (On-Net) Chart View (milliseconds)

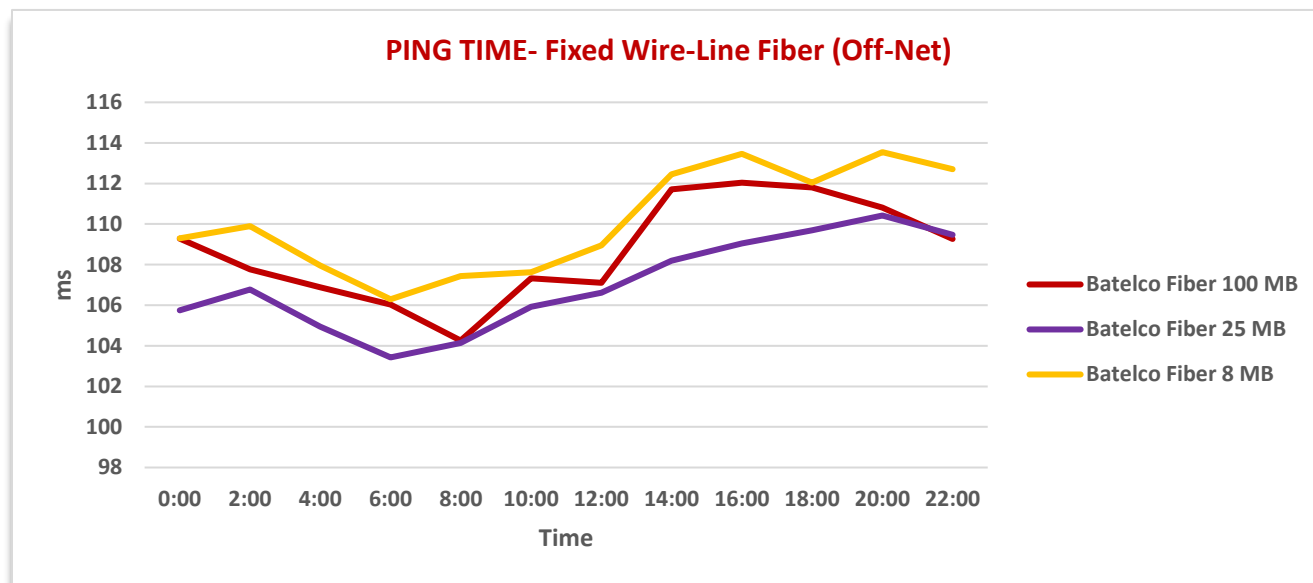| ISP Name	00:00	02:00	04:00	06:00	08:00	10:00	12:00	14:00	16:00	18:00	20:00	22:00
Batelco Fiber 8 MB	7.00	7.19	7.71	8.88	7.15	9.98	8.57	8.96	7.26	7.36	7.14	6.78
Batelco Fiber 25 MB	7.03	6.93	6.68	7.50	7.20	7.05	7.17	7.06	7.12	7.17	6.95	6.96
Batelco Fiber 100 MB	6.44	6.60	6.50	6.65	6.87	6.83	7.21	6.82	6.57	6.93	6.37	6.77

Ping Time Table View (milliseconds)

HIGHLIGHT

- The Average Latency for the 8 Mbps is 7.8 milliseconds, 25Mbps is 7 milliseconds and the 100 Mbps package is 6.7 milliseconds.
- The lower the value of the ping time, the better is the network quality that will provide a higher customer experience.

Ping time or round trip time (RTT) is a method to measure the time it takes to send a number of Bytes to a destination host and have them acknowledged. The ping test has been performed by sending five (5) packets of 32 bytes each to a server located outside the provider's own network (Off-Net), and measuring the response time. The higher the ping time represents higher latency, so lower ping time denotes better customer experience for internet applications and websites response time.

PING TIME- Fixed Wire-Line Fiber (Off-Net)

Ping Time (Off-Net) Chart View (milliseconds)

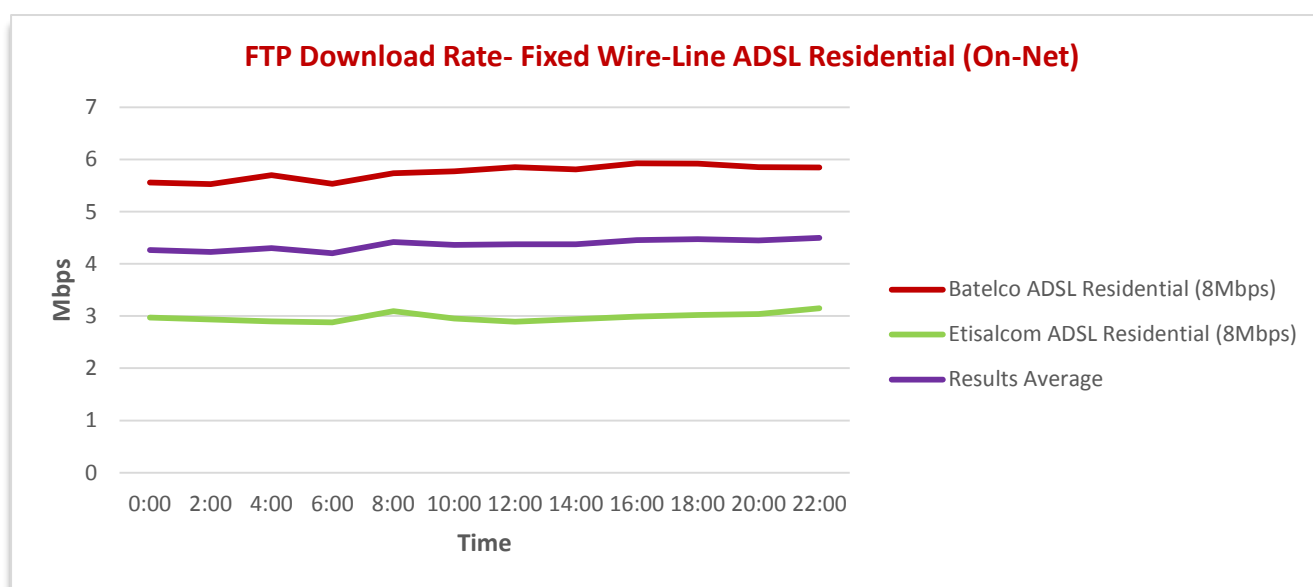| ISP Name	00:00	02:00	04:00	06:00	08:00	10:00	12:00	14:00	16:00	18:00	20:00	22:00
Batelco Fiber 8 MB	109.30	109.90	107.96	106.29	107.44	107.62	108.95	112.45	113.46	112.04	113.54	112.70
Batelco Fiber 25 MB	105.75	106.77	104.94	103.43	104.15	105.93	106.61	108.19	109.05	109.69	110.42	109.47
Batelco Fiber 100 MB	109.27	107.78	106.89	106.03	104.26	107.33	107.11	111.71	112.04	111.80	110.81	109.26

Ping Time (Off-Net) Table View (milliseconds)

HIGHLIGHT

- The Average Latency for the 8 Mbps package is 110 milliseconds, 25Mbps package is 107 milliseconds and for the 100 Mbps package is 108 milliseconds.
- The lower the value of the ping time, the better is the network quality that will provide a higher customer experience.

2.7 FTP DOWNLOAD FOR FIXED WIRE-LINE RESIDENTIAL PACKAGES

File Transfer Protocol (FTP) is a standard Internet protocol for transmitting files between computers on the Internet over TCP/IP connections. FTP is a client-server protocol that relies on two communications channels between client and server: a command channel for controlling the conversation and a data channel for transmitting file content. Clients initiate conversations with servers by requesting to download a file. Using FTP, a client can download a file on a server provided by the operator (On-Net).

FTP Download Rate (On-Net) Chart View (Mbps)

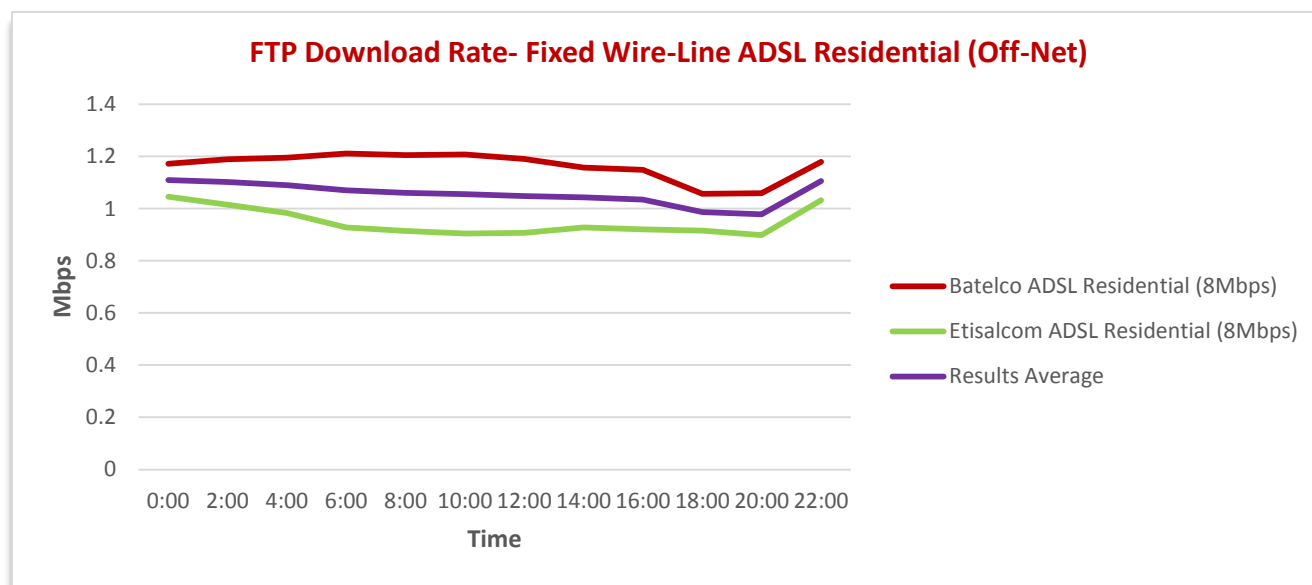| ISP Name	00:00	02:00	04:00	06:00	08:00	10:00	12:00	14:00	16:00	18:00	20:00	22:00
Batelco ADSL Residential (8Mbps)	5.56	5.53	5.70	5.53	5.74	5.77	5.85	5.81	5.93	5.92	5.86	5.85
Etisalcom ADSL Residential (8Mbps)	2.97	2.93	2.90	2.88	3.09	2.95	2.89	2.94	2.99	3.02	3.04	3.15
Results Average	4.27	4.23	4.30	4.21	4.42	4.36	4.37	4.38	4.46	4.47	4.45	4.50

FTP Download Rate (On-Net) Table View (Mbps)

HIGHLIGHT
- The Results Average FTP Download Rate is 4.4 Mbps.
- Higher FTP download value indicates higher file download speed from the server.

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FTP Download Rate (Off-Net) Chart View (Mbps)

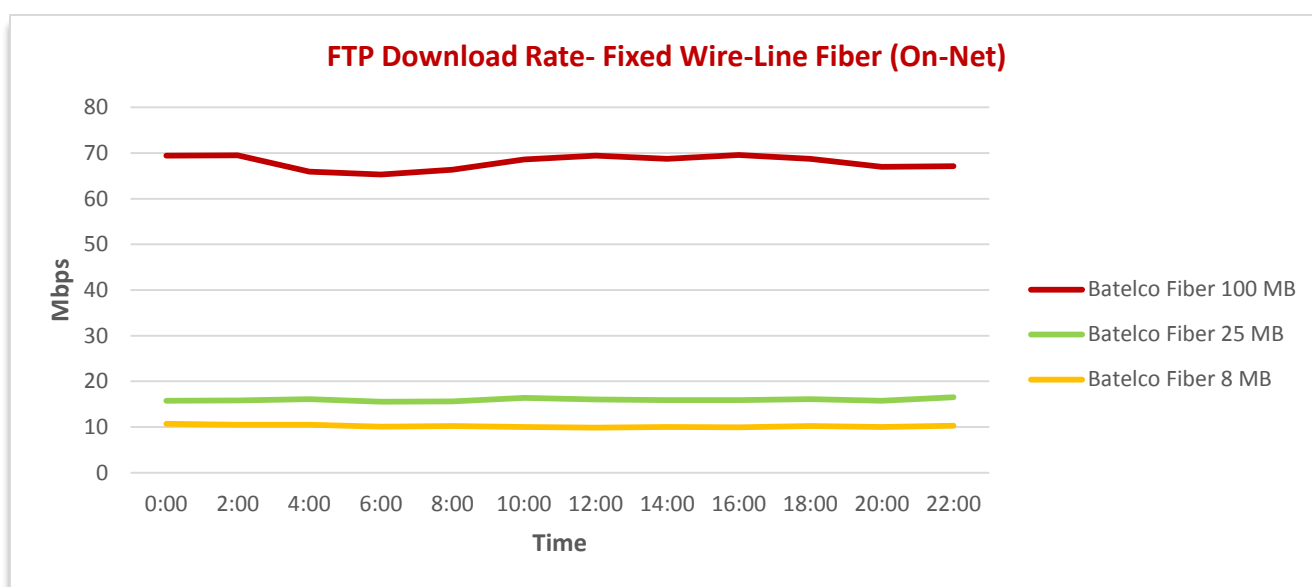| ISP Name	00:00	02:00	04:00	06:00	08:00	10:00	12:00	14:00	16:00	18:00	20:00	22:00
Batelco ADSL Residential (8Mbps)	1.17	1.19	1.20	1.21	1.21	1.21	1.19	1.16	1.15	1.06	1.06	1.18
Etisalcom ADSL Residential (8Mbps)	1.05	1.02	0.98	0.93	0.91	0.90	0.91	0.93	0.92	0.92	0.90	1.03
Results Average	1.11	1.10	1.09	1.07	1.06	1.06	1.05	1.04	1.03	0.99	0.98	1.11

FTP Download Rate (Off-Net) Table View (Mbps)

HIGHLIGHT

- The Results Average FTP Download Rate is 1.1 Mbps.
- Higher FTP download value indicates higher file download speed from the server.

2.8 FTP DOWNLOAD FOR HIGH SPEED RESIDENTIAL PACKAGES

File Transfer Protocol (FTP) is a standard Internet protocol for transmitting files between computers on the Internet over TCP/IP connections. FTP is a client-server protocol that relies on two communications channels between client and server: a command channel for controlling the conversation and a data channel for transmitting file content. Clients initiate conversations with servers by requesting to download a file. Using FTP, a client can upload a file on a server provided by the operator (On-Net).

FTP Download Rate (On-Net) Chart View (Mbps)

ISP Name	00:00	02:00	04:00	06:00	08:00	10:00	12:00	14:00	16:00	18:00	20:00	22:00
Batelco Fiber 8 MB	10.70	10.46	10.46	10.05	10.18	10.01	9.87	9.96	9.89	10.22	10.00	10.27
Batelco Fiber 25 MB	15.72	15.79	16.11	15.51	15.60	16.37	15.99	15.89	15.91	16.12	15.72	16.52
Batelco Fiber 100 MB	69.47	69.53	65.97	65.31	66.38	68.57	69.42	68.77	69.58	68.77	67.01	67.14

FTP Download Rate (On-Net) Table View (Mbps)

HIGHLIGHT

- The Results Average FTP Download Rate for 8 Mbps Package is 10.2 Mbps, 25 Mbps package is 16 Mbps and 100 Mbps package is 68 Mbps.
- Higher FTP download value indicates higher file download speed from the server.

File Transfer Protocol (FTP) is a standard Internet protocol for transmitting files between computers on the Internet over TCP/IP connections. FTP is a client-server protocol that relies on two communications channels between client and server: a command channel for controlling the conversation and a data channel for transmitting file content. Clients initiate conversations with servers by requesting to download a file. Using FTP, a client can download a file on a server (Off-Net).

FTP Download Rate- Fixed Wire-Line Fiber (Off-Net)

FTP Download Rate (Off-Net) Chart View (Mbps)

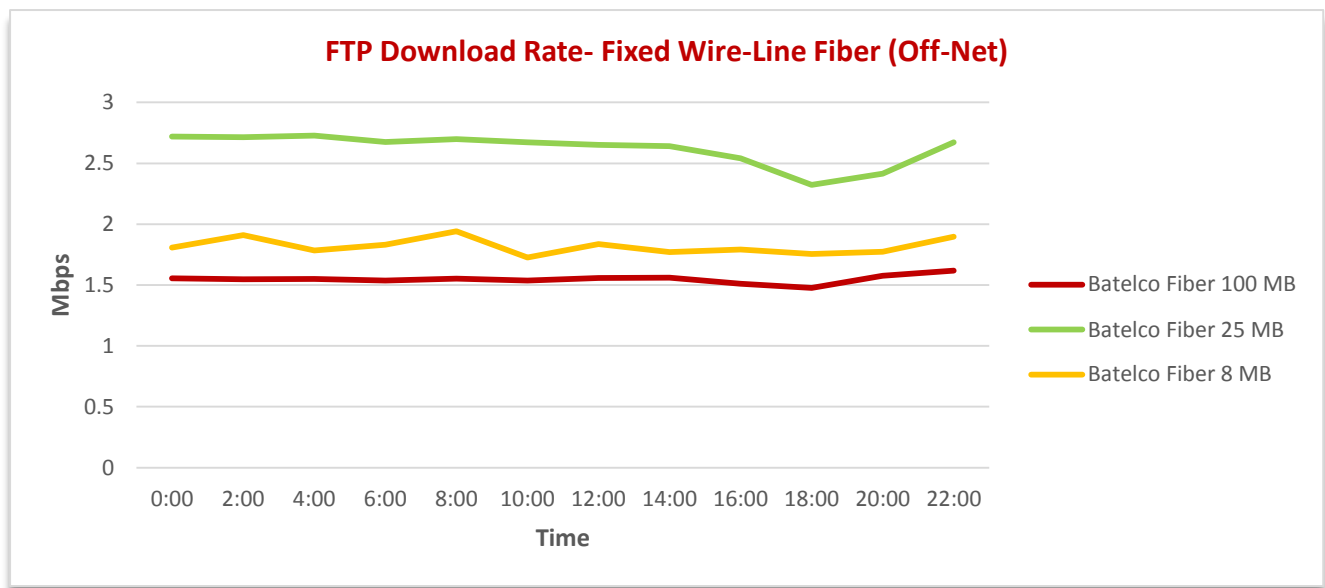| ISP Name	00:00	02:00	04:00	06:00	08:00	10:00	12:00	14:00	16:00	18:00	20:00	22:00
Batelco Fiber 8 MB	1.81	1.91	1.78	1.83	1.94	1.73	1.84	1.77	1.79	1.76	1.77	1.90
Batelco Fiber 25 MB	2.72	2.72	2.73	2.68	2.70	2.67	2.65	2.64	2.54	2.32	2.41	2.67
Batelco Fiber 100 MB	1.55	1.55	1.55	1.54	1.55	1.54	1.56	1.56	1.51	1.48	1.58	1.62

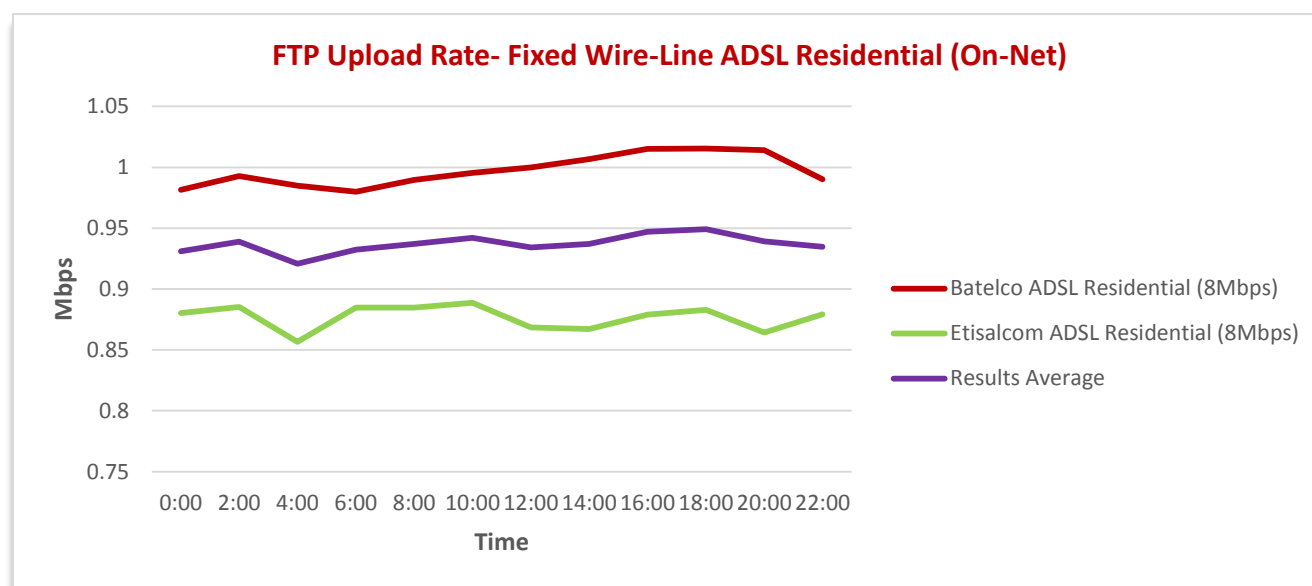FTP Download Rate (Off-Net) Table View (Mbps)

HIGHLIGHT

- The Results Average FTP Download Rate for 8 Mbps Package is 1.8 Mbps, 25 Mbps package is 2.6 Mbps and 100 Mbps package is 1.5 Mbps.
- Higher FTP download value indicates higher file download speed from the server.

2.9   FTP UPLOAD FOR FIXED WIRE-LINE RESIDENTIAL PACKAGES

File Transfer Protocol (FTP) is a standard Internet protocol for transmitting files between computers on the Internet over TCP/IP connections. FTP is a client-server protocol that relies on two communications channels between client and server: a command channel for controlling the conversation and a data channel for transmitting file content. Clients initiate conversations with servers by requesting to download a file. Using FTP, a client can upload a file on a server provided by the operator (On-Net).

FTP Upload Rate- Fixed Wire-Line ADSL Residential (On-Net)

FTP Upload Rate (On-Net) Chart View (Mbps)

ISP Name	00:00	02:00	04:00	06:00	08:00	10:00	12:00	14:00	16:00	18:00	20:00	22:00
Batelco ADSL Residential (8Mbps)	0.98	0.99	0.98	0.98	0.99	1.00	1.00	1.01	1.02	1.02	1.01	0.99
Etisalcom ADSL Residential (8Mbps)	0.88	0.89	0.86	0.88	0.88	0.89	0.87	0.87	0.88	0.88	0.86	0.88
Results Average	0.93	0.94	0.92	0.93	0.94	0.94	0.93	0.94	0.95	0.95	0.94	0.93

FTP Upload Rate (On-Net) Table View (Mbps)

HIGHLIGHT

- The Results Average FTP Upload Rate is 0.94 Mbps.
- Higher FTP upload value indicates higher file upload speed from the device to server.

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FTP Upload Rate- Fixed Wire-Line ADSL Residential (Off-Net)

FTP Upload Rate (Off-Net) Chart View (Mbps)

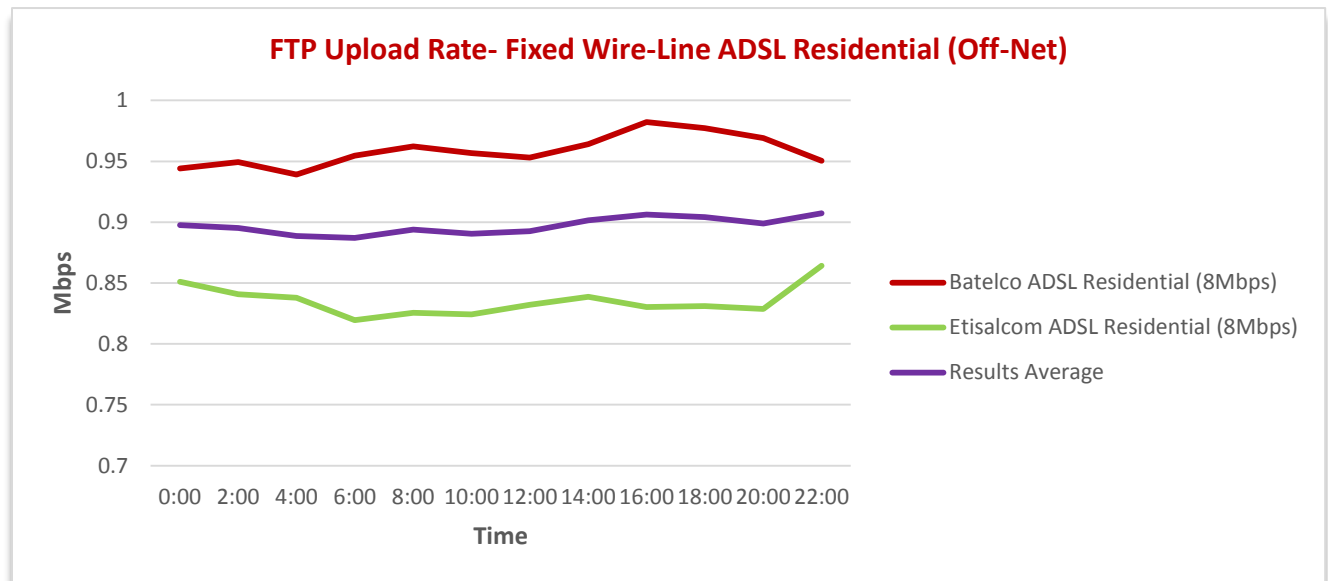| ISP Name	00:00	02:00	04:00	06:00	08:00	10:00	12:00	14:00	16:00	18:00	20:00	22:00
Batelco ADSL Residential (8Mbps)	0.94	0.95	0.94	0.95	0.96	0.96	0.95	0.96	0.98	0.98	0.97	0.95
Etisalcom ADSL Residential (8Mbps)	0.85	0.84	0.84	0.82	0.83	0.82	0.83	0.84	0.83	0.83	0.83	0.86
Results Average	0.90	0.90	0.89	0.89	0.89	0.89	0.89	0.90	0.91	0.90	0.90	0.91

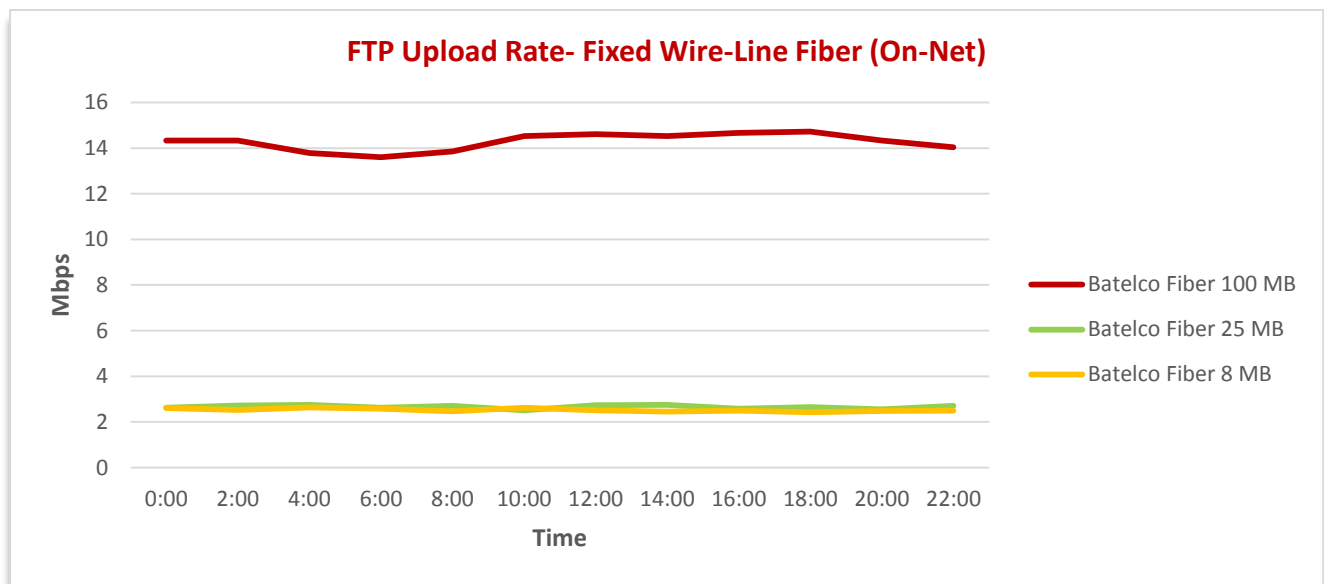**FTP Upload Rate (Off-Net) Table View (Mbps)**

HIGHLIGHT

- The Results Average FTP Upload Rate is 0.9 Mbps.
- Higher FTP upload value indicates higher file upload speed from the device to server.

2.10   FTP UPLOAD FOR HIGH SPEED RESIDENTIAL PACKAGES

File Transfer Protocol (FTP) is a standard Internet protocol for transmitting files between computers on the Internet over TCP/IP connections. FTP is a client-server protocol that relies on two communications channels between client and server: a command channel for controlling the conversation and a data channel for transmitting file content. Clients initiate conversations with servers by requesting to download a file. Using FTP, a client can upload a file on a server provided by the operator (On-Net).

FTP Upload Rate (On-Net) Chart View (Mbps)

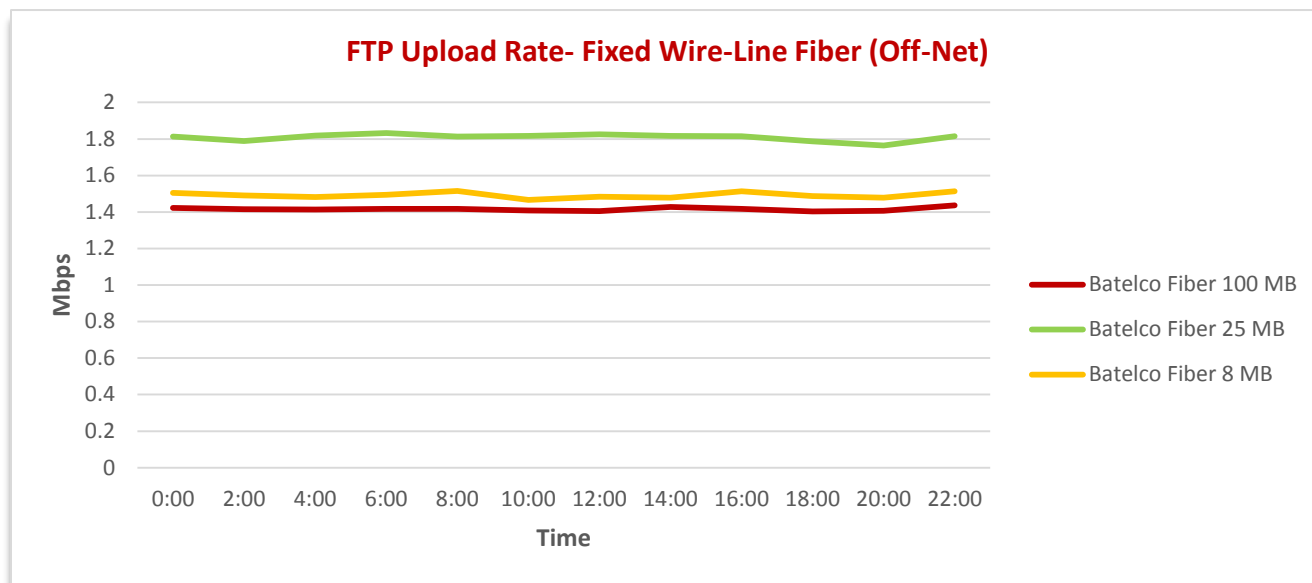| ISP Name	00:00	02:00	04:00	06:00	08:00	10:00	12:00	14:00	16:00	18:00	20:00	22:00
Batelco Fiber 8 MB	2.61	2.52	2.63	2.57	2.47	2.63	2.51	2.45	2.50	2.43	2.48	2.50
Batelco Fiber 25 MB	2.62	2.72	2.75	2.62	2.70	2.51	2.73	2.75	2.57	2.66	2.55	2.70
Batelco Fiber 100 MB	14.33	14.33	13.78	13.60	13.85	14.52	14.61	14.53	14.66	14.72	14.33	14.04

FTP Upload Rate (On-Net) Table View (Mbps)

HIGHLIGHT

- The Results Average FTP Download Rate for 8 Mbps Package is 2.5 Mbps, 25 Mbps package is 2.7Mbps and 100 Mbps package is 14.3 Mbps.
- Higher FTP upload value indicates higher file upload speed from the device to server.

File Transfer Protocol (FTP) is a standard Internet protocol for transmitting files between computers on the Internet over TCP/IP connections. FTP is a client-server protocol that relies on two communications channels between client and server: a command channel for controlling the conversation and a data channel for transmitting file content. Clients initiate conversations with servers by requesting to download a file. Using FTP, a client can upload a file on a server (Off-Net).

FTP Upload Rate- Fixed Wire-Line Fiber (Off-Net)

FTP Upload Rate (Off-Net) Chart View (Mbps)

ISP Name	00:00	02:00	04:00	06:00	08:00	10:00	12:00	14:00	16:00	18:00	20:00	22:00
Batelco Fiber 8 MB	1.51	1.49	1.48	1.49	1.51	1.47	1.48	1.48	1.51	1.49	1.48	1.51
Batelco Fiber 25 MB	1.81	1.79	1.82	1.83	1.81	1.82	1.83	1.82	1.82	1.79	1.76	1.82
Batelco Fiber 100 MB	1.42	1.41	1.41	1.42	1.42	1.41	1.41	1.43	1.42	1.40	1.41	1.44

**FTP Upload Rate (Off-Net) Table View (Mbps)**

HIGHLIGHT

- The Results Average FTP Download Rate for 8 Mbps Package is 1.5 Mbps, 25 Mbps package is 1.8 Mbps and 100 Mbps package is 1.4 Mbps.
- Higher FTP upload value indicates higher file upload speed from the device to server.
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2.11   TOP 5 WEBSITES BROWSING FOR FIXED WIRE-LINE RESIDENTIAL PACKAGES

Top five (5) websites testing aims to measure the response time of using most common websites via an internet browser. Test indicates the time it takes to load the page using a browser. The lower the time it takes to load the page indicates better customer browsing experience.

WIRE-LINE ADSL RESIDENTIAL - TOP 5 WEBSITES
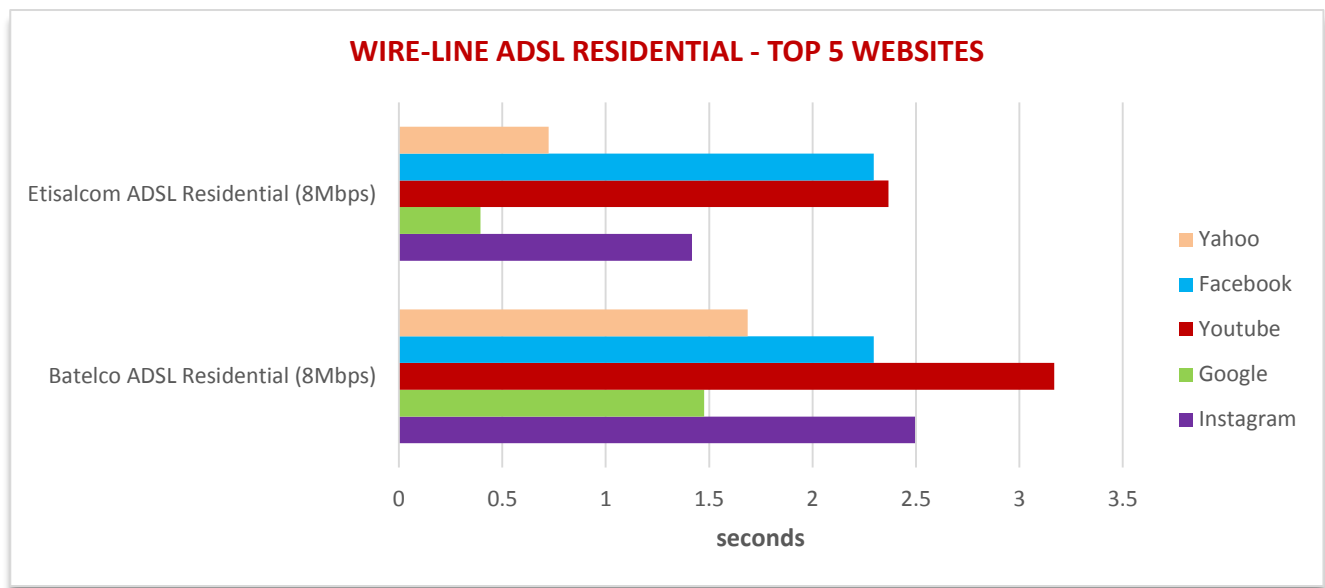
Top 5 Websites Browsing Time Chart View (Seconds)

ISP Name	Instagram	Google	Youtube	Facebook	Yahoo
Batelco ADSL Residential (8Mbps)	2.50	1.48	3.17	2.30	1.69
Etisalcom ADSL Residential (8Mbps)	1.42	0.39	2.37	2.30	0.72

Top 5 Browsing Time Table View (Seconds)

HIGHLIGHT
- Customers on average face better browsing experience with Google and Yahoo services than with YouTube.
- Lower results value indicates better customer browsing experience.

2.12   TOP 5 WEBSITES BROWSING FOR HIGH SPEED RESIDENTIAL PACKAGES

Top five (5) websites testing aims to measure the response time of using most common websites via an internet browser. Test indicates the time it takes to load the page using a browser. The lower the time it takes to load the page indicates better customer browsing experience.

Top 5 Websites Browsing Time Chart View (Seconds)

ISP Name	Instagram	Google	Youtube	Facebook	Yahoo
Batelco Fiber 8 MB	1.44	0.33	2.43	1.02	0.77
Batelco Fiber 25 MB	1.11	0.32	2.36	1.23	0.74
Batelco Fiber 100 MB	1.09	0.32	2.21	1.08	0.71

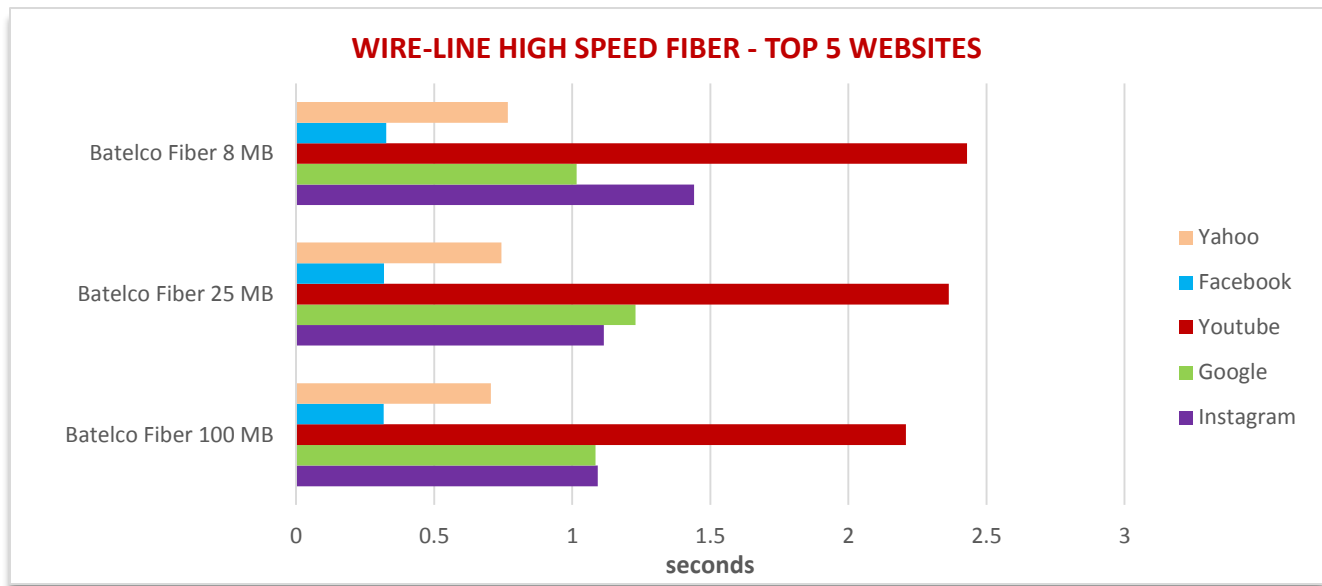**Top 5 Browsing Time Table View (Seconds)**

HIGHLIGHT

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3. FIXED WIRE-LINE - BROADBAND INTERNET TESTING BUSINESS SERVICES

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3.1 HTTP DOWNLOAD SPEED FOR FIXED WIRE-LINE BUSINESS PACKAGES

Testing HTTP download speed depends on various variables in the network that could influence the download performance. Following data is the result of downloading a file stored on a server that is hosted on the provider's own network (On-Net)
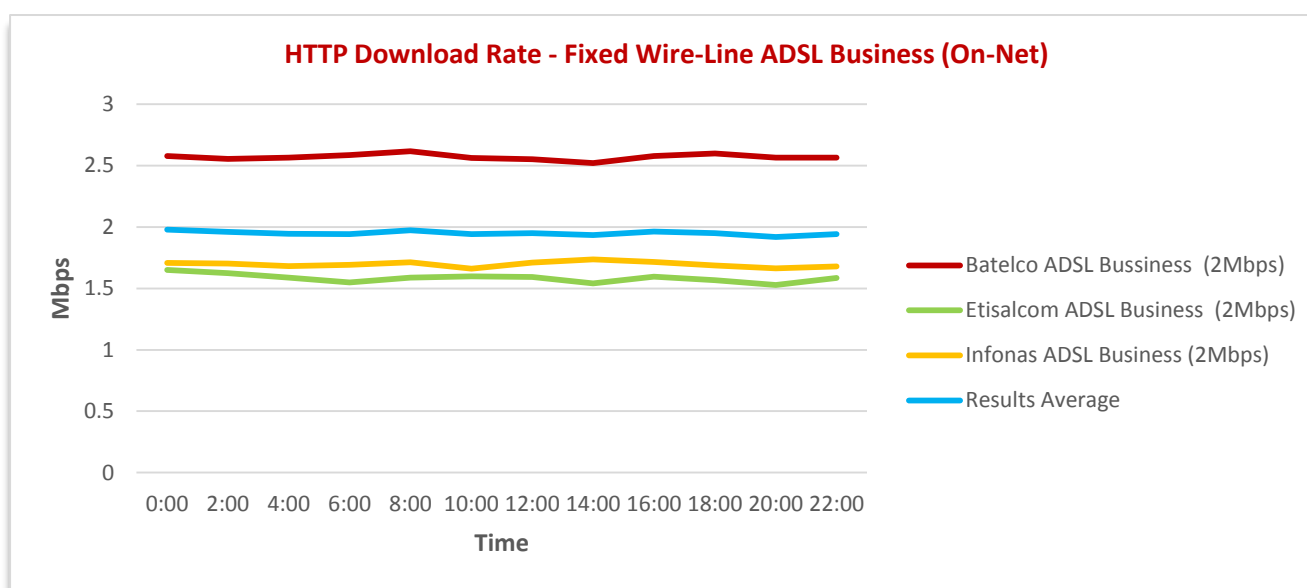
HTTP (On-Net) Download Speed - Chart View (Mbps)

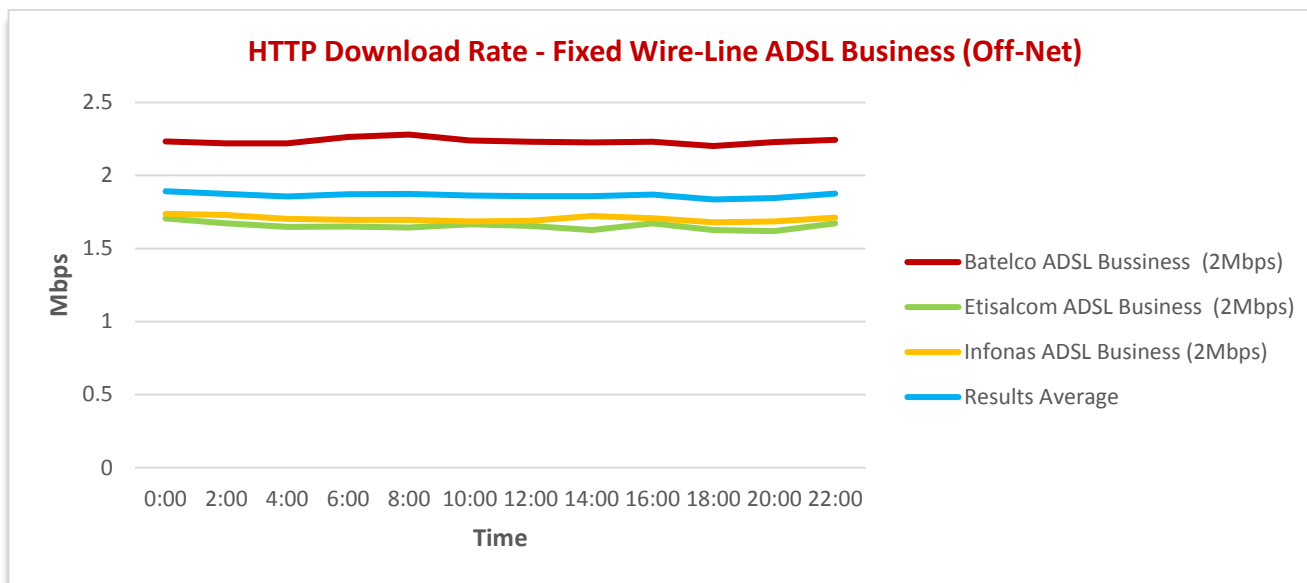| ISP Name	00:00	02:00	04:00	06:00	08:00	10:00	12:00	14:00	16:00	18:00	20:00	22:00
Infonas ADSL Business (2Mbps)	1.71	1.70	1.68	1.69	1.71	1.66	1.71	1.74	1.71	1.69	1.66	1.68
Batelco ADSL Bussiness (2Mbps)	2.58	2.55	2.57	2.59	2.62	2.56	2.55	2.52	2.58	2.60	2.56	2.56
Etisalcom ADSL Business (2Mbps)	1.65	1.62	1.59	1.55	1.59	1.60	1.59	1.54	1.59	1.57	1.53	1.58
Results Average	1.98	1.96	1.94	1.94	1.97	1.94	1.95	1.93	1.96	1.95	1.92	1.94

HTTP (On-Net) Download Speed - Summary Table (Mbps)

HIGHLIGHT

- Results average HTTP download speed of 1.95 Mbps has been recorded.
- Higher HTTP download value indicates higher downlink internet speed.

HTTP download speed testing depends on various variables in the network that could influence the download performance. Following data is the result of downloading a file stored on an external network from the service provider's own network (Off-Net).

HTTP Download Rate - Fixed Wire-Line ADSL Business (Off-Net)

HTTP (Off-Net) Download Speed - Chart View (Mbps)

ISP Name	00:00	02:00	04:00	06:00	08:00	10:00	12:00	14:00	16:00	18:00	20:00	22:00
Infonas ADSL Business (2Mbps)	1.74	1.73	1.70	1.70	1.70	1.68	1.69	1.72	1.71	1.68	1.69	1.71
Batelco ADSL Bussiness (2Mbps)	2.23	2.22	2.22	2.26	2.28	2.24	2.23	2.23	2.23	2.20	2.23	2.24
Etisalcom ADSL Business (2Mbps)	1.71	1.67	1.65	1.65	1.64	1.67	1.66	1.63	1.67	1.63	1.62	1.67
Results Average	1.89	1.87	1.86	1.87	1.87	1.86	1.86	1.86	1.87	1.84	1.84	1.88

**HTTP (Off-Net) Download Speed - Chart View (Mbps)**

HIGHLIGHT

- Results Average HTTP download speed of 1.86 Mbps has been recorded.
- Higher HTTP download value indicates higher downlink internet speed.

3.2   TIME TO FIRST BYTE FOR FIXED WIRE-LINE BUSINESS PACKAGES

The Time to First Byte test records the time taken (in milliseconds) to resolve a fully qualified domain name into a corresponding IP address till the HTTP page starts downloading. The DNS servers used for the query in this section is located within the provider's own network (On-Net).

Time to First Byte - Fixed Wire-Line ADSL Business (On-Net)
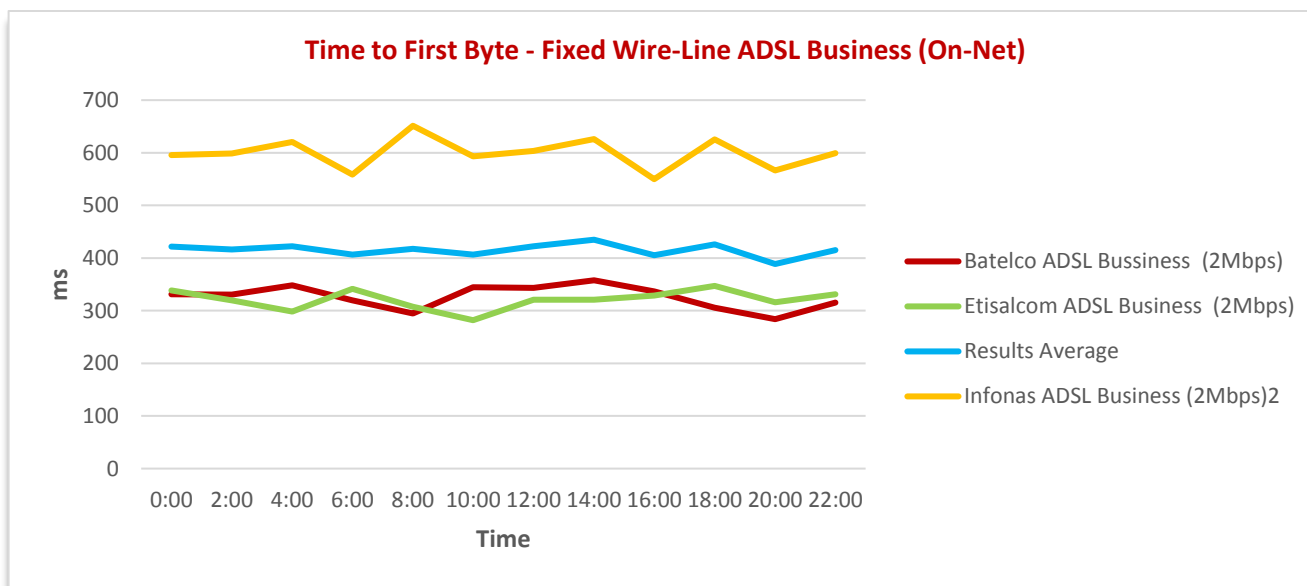
Time to First Byte (On-Net) Chart View (milliseconds)

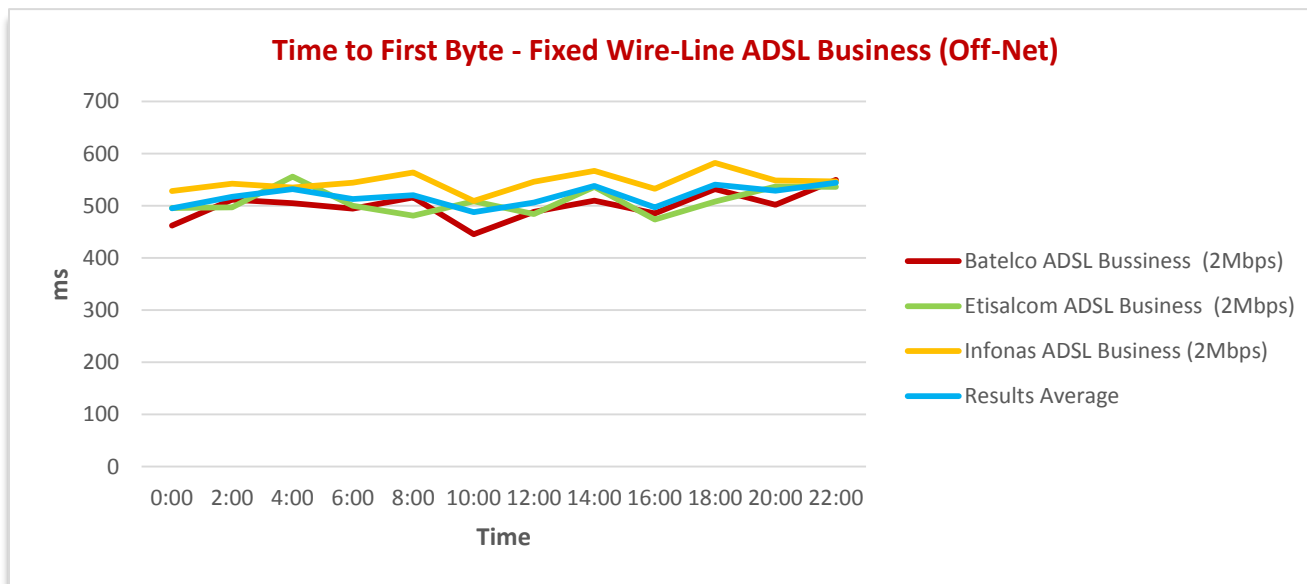| ISP Name	00:00	02:00	04:00	06:00	08:00	10:00	12:00	14:00	16:00	18:00	20:00	22:00
Infonas ADSL Business (2Mbps)	595.91	598.52	620.73	558.28	651.37	593.34	603.58	626.03	549.84	625.32	566.20	599.33
Batelco ADSL Bussiness (2Mbps)	330.97	330.33	348.17	319.70	294.55	344.67	343.47	357.73	336.88	305.52	283.89	315.45
Etisalcom ADSL Business (2Mbps)	338.51	319.63	298.60	341.51	307.28	281.95	320.69	320.82	329.02	347.08	315.91	330.99
Results Average	421.80	416.16	422.50	406.49	417.73	406.65	422.58	434.86	405.25	425.97	388.67	415.26

Time to First Byte (On-Net) Chart View (milliseconds)

HIGHLIGHT	• The Results Average Time to First Byte is 415 milliseconds. • The lower the Time to First Byte, the better the customer browsing experience will be in loading web pages.

The Time to First Byte test records the time taken (in milliseconds) to resolve a fully qualified domain name into a corresponding IP address till the HTTP page starts downloading. The DNS servers used for the query in this section is located outside the provider's network from the service provider's own network (Off-Net).

Time to First Byte (Off-Net) Chart View (milliseconds)

ISP Name	00:00	02:00	04:00	06:00	08:00	10:00	12:00	14:00	16:00	18:00	20:00	22:00
Infonas ADSL Business (2Mbps)	528.54	542.65	534.94	544.22	563.93	509.22	546.10	567.02	532.64	582.24	548.68	546.95
Batelco ADSL Bussiness (2Mbps)	461.87	511.55	505.41	494.51	516.22	445.32	488.44	510.16	485.39	531.94	501.98	549.98
Etisalcom ADSL Business (2Mbps)	496.04	497.39	555.90	500.40	480.89	508.97	484.26	536.66	473.77	508.37	536.85	536.13
Results Average	495.48	517.20	532.08	513.04	520.35	487.84	506.27	537.95	497.26	540.85	529.17	544.35

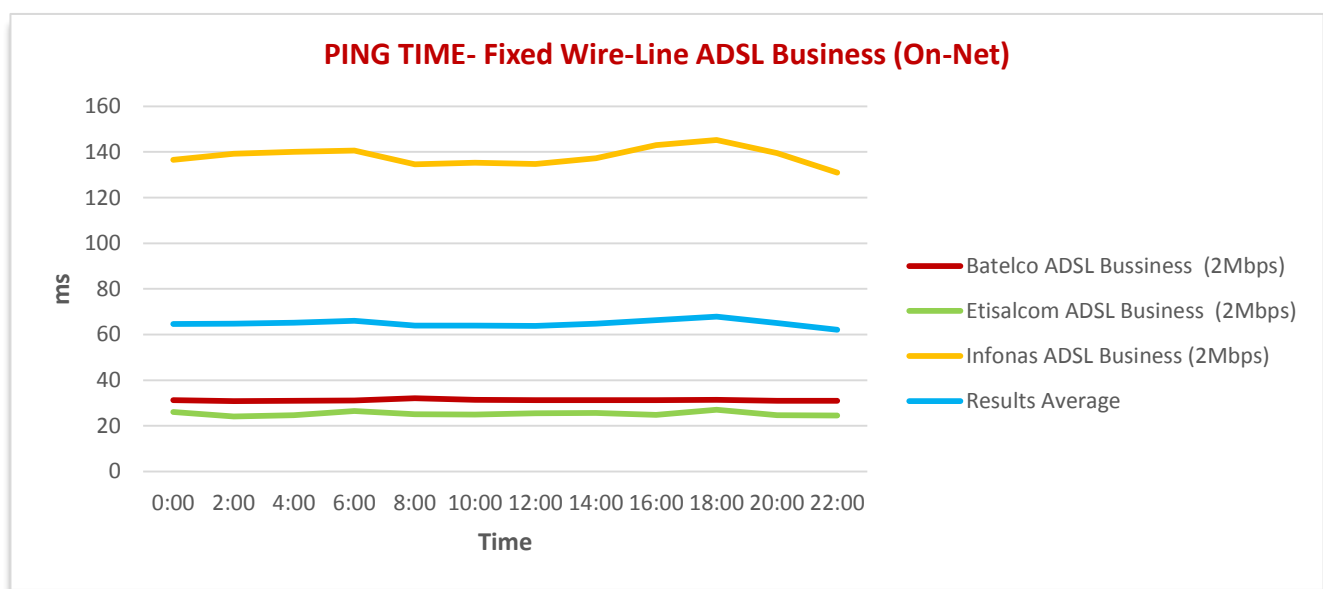**Time to First Byte (Off-Net) Table View (milliseconds)**

HIGHLIGHT	• The Results average of Time to First Byte is 519 milliseconds. • The lower the Time to First Byte, the better the customer browsing experience in loading web pages.

3.3   PING TIME FOR FIXED WIRE-LINE BUSINESS PACKAGES

Ping time or round trip time (RTT) is a method to measure the time it takes to send a number of Bytes to a destination host and have them acknowledged. The ping test has been performed by sending five (5) packets of 32 bytes each to a server located within the provider's own network (On-Net), and measuring the response time. The higher the ping time represents higher latency, so lower ping time denotes better customer experience for internet applications and websites response time.

PING Time (On-Net) Chart View (milliseconds)

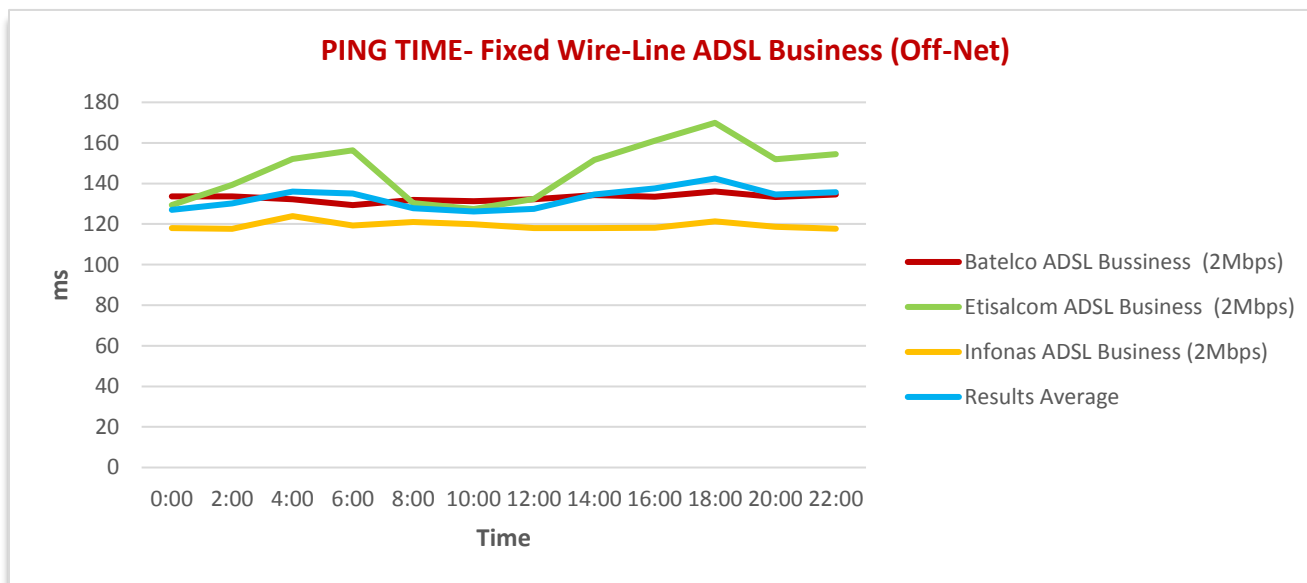| ISP Name	00:00	02:00	04:00	06:00	08:00	10:00	12:00	14:00	16:00	18:00	20:00	22:00
Infonas ADSL Business (2Mbps)	136.52	139.17	140.00	140.58	134.55	135.23	134.67	137.32	143.03	145.29	139.45	131.01
Batelco ADSL Bussiness (2Mbps)	31.22	30.92	31.04	31.09	32.10	31.36	31.21	31.31	31.21	31.40	30.98	30.97
Etisalcom ADSL Business (2Mbps)	26.06	24.18	24.62	26.46	25.16	25.01	25.59	25.69	24.86	27.03	24.63	24.53
Results Average	64.60	64.75	65.22	66.05	63.94	63.87	63.82	64.78	66.37	67.91	65.02	62.17

PING Time (On-Net) Table View (milliseconds)

HIGHLIGHT	• The Results average Latency is 65 milliseconds. • The lower the value of the ping time, the better is the network quality that will provide a higher customer experience.

Ping time or round trip time (RTT) is a method to measure the time it takes to send a number of Bytes to a destination host and have them acknowledged. The ping test has been performed by sending five (5) packets of 32 bytes each to a server located outside the provider's own network (Off-Net), and measuring the response time. The higher the ping time represents higher latency, so lower ping time denotes better customer experience for internet applications and websites response time.

PING TIME- Fixed Wire-Line ADSL Business (Off-Net)

PING Time (Off-Net) Chart View (milliseconds)

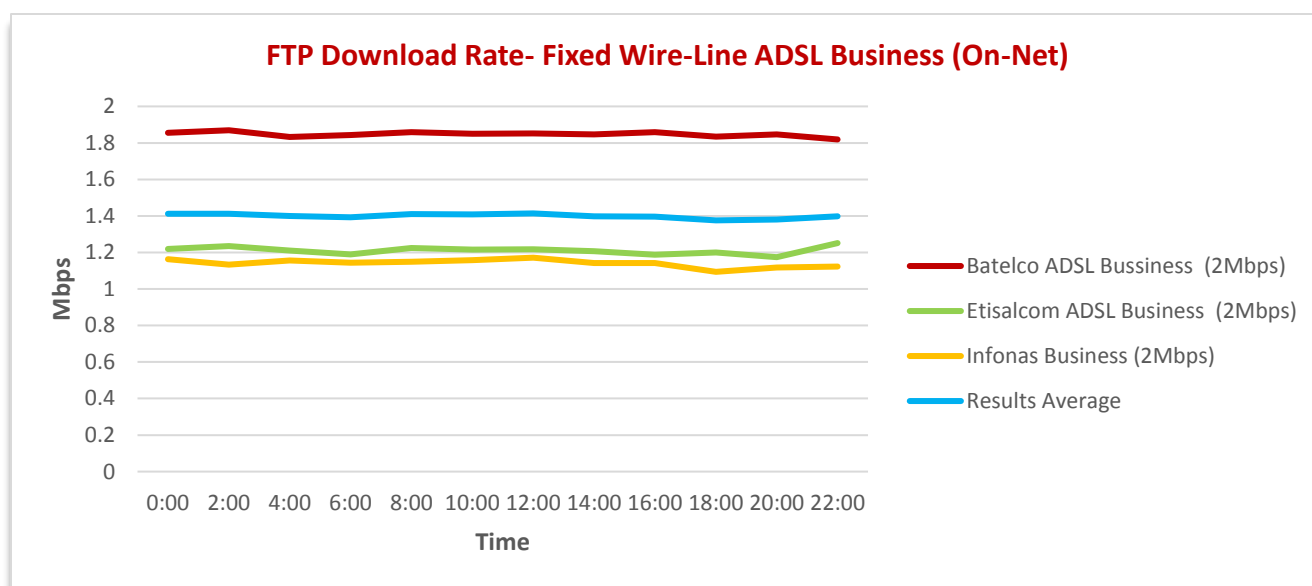| ISP Name	00:00	02:00	04:00	06:00	08:00	10:00	12:00	14:00	16:00	18:00	20:00	22:00
Infonas ADSL Business (2Mbps)	117.99	117.65	123.92	119.29	121.06	119.97	118.09	118.08	118.16	121.37	118.68	117.78
Batelco ADSL Bussiness (2Mbps)	133.63	133.62	132.22	129.34	131.94	131.20	132.20	134.24	133.47	136.06	133.32	134.63
Etisalcom ADSL Business (2Mbps)	129.35	139.33	152.10	156.41	130.25	127.41	132.34	151.59	161.11	169.90	151.94	154.46
Results Average	126.99	130.20	136.08	135.01	127.75	126.19	127.54	134.63	137.58	142.44	134.65	135.62

PING Time (Off-Net) Table View (milliseconds)

HIGHLIGHT

- The Results Average for Latency is 133 milliseconds.
- The lower the value of the ping time, the better is the network quality that will provide a higher customer experience.

3.4 FTP DOWNLOAD RATE FOR FIXED WIRE-LINE BUSINESS PACKAGES

File Transfer Protocol (FTP) is a standard Internet protocol for transmitting files between computers on the Internet over TCP/IP connections. FTP is a client-server protocol that relies on two communications channels between client and server: a command channel for controlling the conversation and a data channel for transmitting file content. Clients initiate conversations with servers by requesting to download a file. Using FTP, a client can download a file on a server provided by the operator (On-Net).

FTP Download Rate (On-Net) Chart View (Mbps)

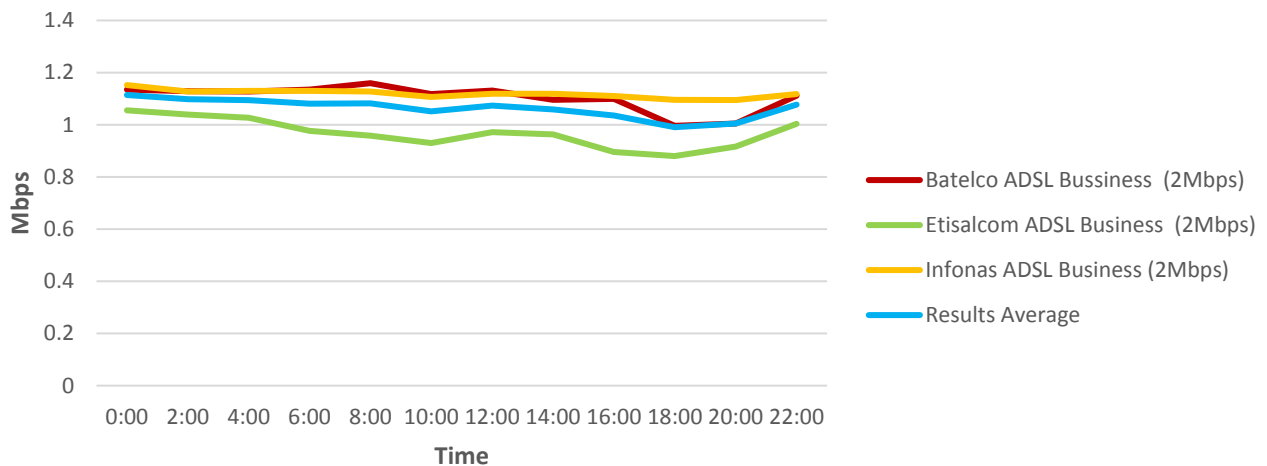| ISP Name	00:00	02:00	04:00	06:00	08:00	10:00	12:00	14:00	16:00	18:00	20:00	22:00
Infonas ADSL Business (2Mbps)	1.16	1.13	1.16	1.14	1.15	1.16	1.17	1.14	1.14	1.09	1.12	1.12
Batelco ADSL Bussiness (2Mbps)	1.86	1.87	1.83	1.84	1.86	1.85	1.85	1.85	1.86	1.83	1.85	1.82
Etisalcom ADSL Business (2Mbps)	1.22	1.23	1.21	1.19	1.22	1.22	1.22	1.21	1.19	1.20	1.17	1.25
Results Average	1.41	1.41	1.40	1.39	1.41	1.41	1.41	1.40	1.40	1.38	1.38	1.40

FTP Download Rate (On-Net) Table View (Mbps)

HIGHLIGHT
- The Results Average for FTP is 1.4 Mbps.
- Higher FTP download value indicates higher file download speed from the server.

File Transfer Protocol (FTP) is a standard Internet protocol for transmitting files between computers on the Internet over TCP/IP connections. FTP is a client-server protocol that relies on two communications channels between client and server: a command channel for controlling the conversation and a data channel for transmitting file content. Clients initiate conversations with servers by requesting to download a file. Using FTP, a client can download a file on a server (Off-Net).

FTP Download Rate- Fixed Wire-Line ADSL Business (Off-Net)

FTP Download Rate (Off-Net) Chart View (Mbps)

ISP Name	00:00	02:00	04:00	06:00	08:00	10:00	12:00	14:00	16:00	18:00	20:00	22:00
Infonas ADSL Business (2Mbps)	1.15	1.13	1.13	1.13	1.13	1.11	1.12	1.12	1.11	1.10	1.09	1.12
Batelco ADSL Bussiness (2Mbps)	1.13	1.13	1.13	1.14	1.16	1.12	1.13	1.10	1.10	1.00	1.01	1.11
Etisalcom ADSL Business (2Mbps)	1.06	1.04	1.03	0.98	0.96	0.93	0.97	0.96	0.90	0.88	0.92	1.00
Results Average	1.11	1.10	1.09	1.08	1.08	1.05	1.07	1.06	1.04	0.99	1.01	1.08

FTP Download Rate (Off-Net) Table View (Mbps)

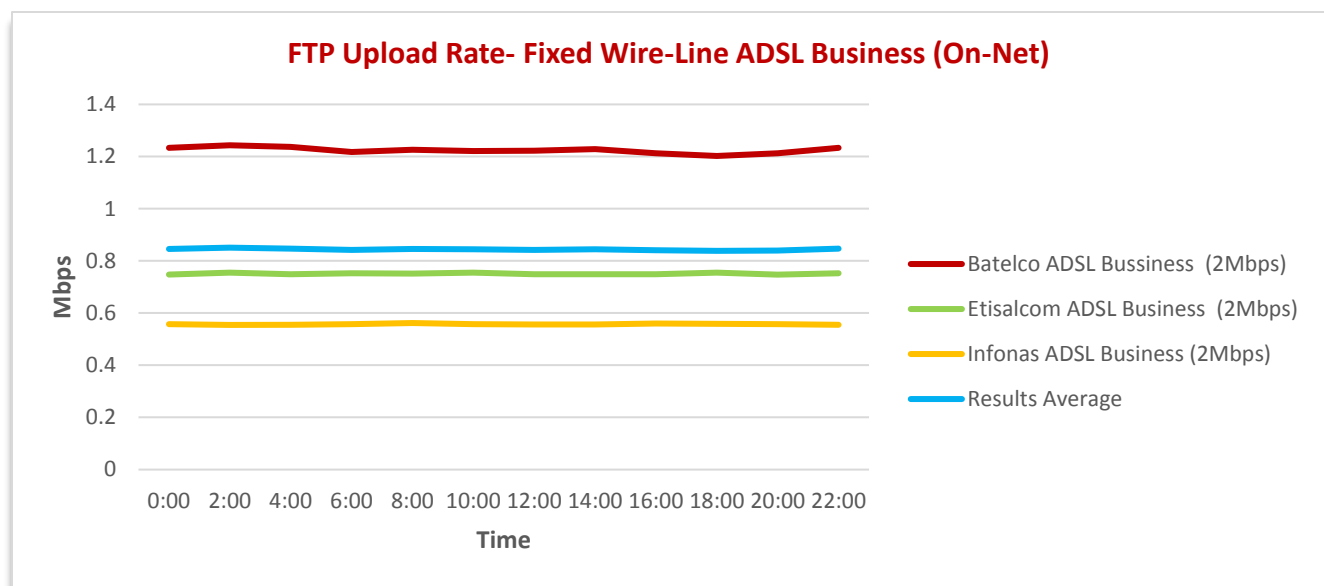**HIGHLIGHT**

- The Results Average for FTP is 1.1 Mbps.
- Higher FTP download value indicates higher file download speed from the server.

3.5 FTP UPLOAD RATE FOR FIXED WIRE-LINE BUSINESS PACKAGES

File Transfer Protocol (FTP) is a standard Internet protocol for transmitting files between computers on the Internet over TCP/IP connections. FTP is a client-server protocol that relies on two communications channels between client and server: a command channel for controlling the conversation and a data channel for transmitting file content. Clients initiate conversations with servers by requesting to download a file. Using FTP, a client can upload a file on a server provided by the operator (On-Net).

FTP Upload Rate (On-Net) Chart View (Mbps)

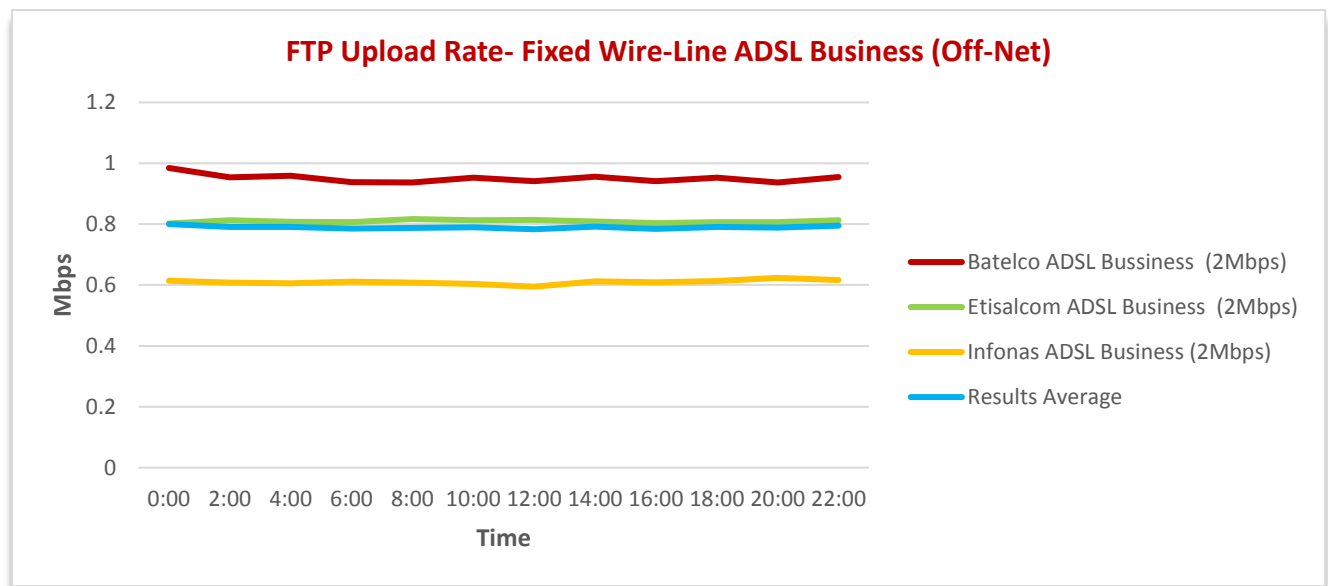| ISP Name	00:00	02:00	04:00	06:00	08:00	10:00	12:00	14:00	16:00	18:00	20:00	22:00
Infonas ADSL Business (2Mbps)	0.56	0.55	0.56	0.56	0.56	0.56	0.56	0.56	0.56	0.56	0.56	0.56
Batelco ADSL Bussiness (2Mbps)	1.23	1.24	1.24	1.22	1.23	1.22	1.22	1.23	1.21	1.20	1.21	1.23
Etisalcom ADSL Business (2Mbps)	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.76	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.75
Results Average	0.85	0.85	0.85	0.84	0.85	0.84	0.84	0.84	0.84	0.84	0.84	0.85

FTP Upload Rate (On-Net) Table View (Mbps)

HIGHLIGHT
- The Results Average for FTP is 0.84 Mbps.
- Higher FTP download value indicates higher file upload speed from the device to server.

File Transfer Protocol (FTP) is a standard Internet protocol for transmitting files between computers on the Internet over TCP/IP connections. FTP is a client-server protocol that relies on two communications channels between client and server: a command channel for controlling the conversation and a data channel for transmitting file content. Clients initiate conversations with servers by requesting to download a file. Using FTP, a client can upload a file on a server (Off-Net).

FTP Upload Rate- Fixed Wire-Line ADSL Business (Off-Net)

FTP Upload Rate (Off-Net) Chart View (Mbps)

ISP Name	00:00	02:00	04:00	06:00	08:00	10:00	12:00	14:00	16:00	18:00	20:00	22:00
Infonas ADSL Business (2Mbps)	0.61	0.61	0.61	0.61	0.61	0.60	0.59	0.61	0.61	0.61	0.62	0.62
Batelco ADSL Bussiness (2Mbps)	0.98	0.95	0.96	0.94	0.94	0.95	0.94	0.96	0.94	0.95	0.94	0.96
Etisalcom ADSL Business (2Mbps)	0.80	0.81	0.81	0.81	0.82	0.81	0.81	0.81	0.80	0.81	0.81	0.81
Results Average	0.80	0.79	0.79	0.79	0.79	0.79	0.78	0.79	0.78	0.79	0.79	0.79

FTP Upload Rate (Off-Net) Table View (Mbps)

**HIGHLIGHT**

- The Results Average for FTP is 0.8 Mbps.
- Higher FTP upload value indicates higher file upload speed from the device to server.

3.6   TOP 5 WEBSITES FOR FIXED WIRE-LINE BUSINESS PACKAGES

Top five (5) websites testing aims to measure the response time of using most common websites via an internet browser. Test indicates the time it takes to load the page using a browser. The lower the time it takes to load the page indicates better customer browsing experience.

WIRE-LINE ADSL BUSINESS - TOP 5 WEBSITES
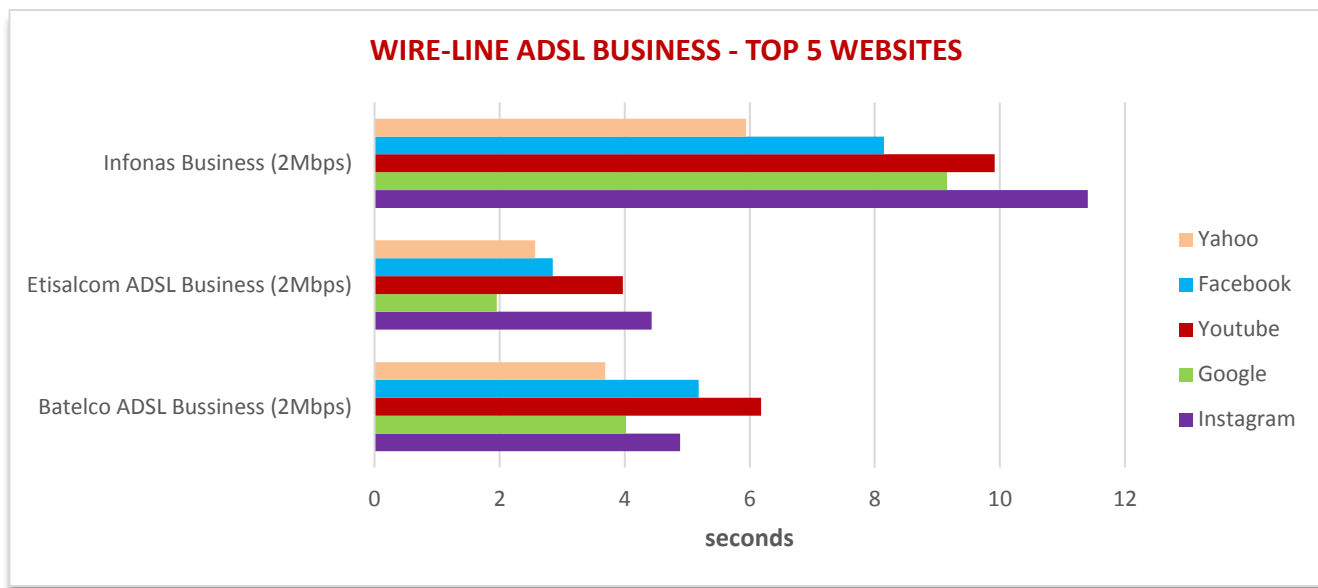
Top 5 Websites Browsing Time Chart View (Seconds)

ISP Name	Instagram	Google	Youtube	Facebook	Yahoo
Batelco ADSL Bussiness (2Mbps)	4.88	4.02	6.18	5.18	3.69
Etisalcom ADSL Business (2Mbps)	4.43	1.96	3.97	2.85	2.57
Infonas Business (2Mbps)	11.40	9.15	9.92	8.15	5.94

Top 5 Websites Browsing Time Table View (Seconds)

HIGHLIGHT

- Customers on average face better browsing experience with Yahoo services than with Instagram.
- Lower results value indicates better customer browsing experience.

4. FIXED WIRLESS BROADBAND INTERNET TESTING - RESIDENTIAL SERVICES

4. FIXED WIRLESS BROADBAND INTERNET TESTING for RESIDENTIAL SERVICES

4.1 HTTP DOWNLOAD SPEED FOR WIRELESS RESIDENTIAL PACKAGES

Testing HTTP download speed depends on various variables in the network that could influence the download performance. Following data is the result of downloading a file stored on a server that is hosted on the provider's own network (On-Net).
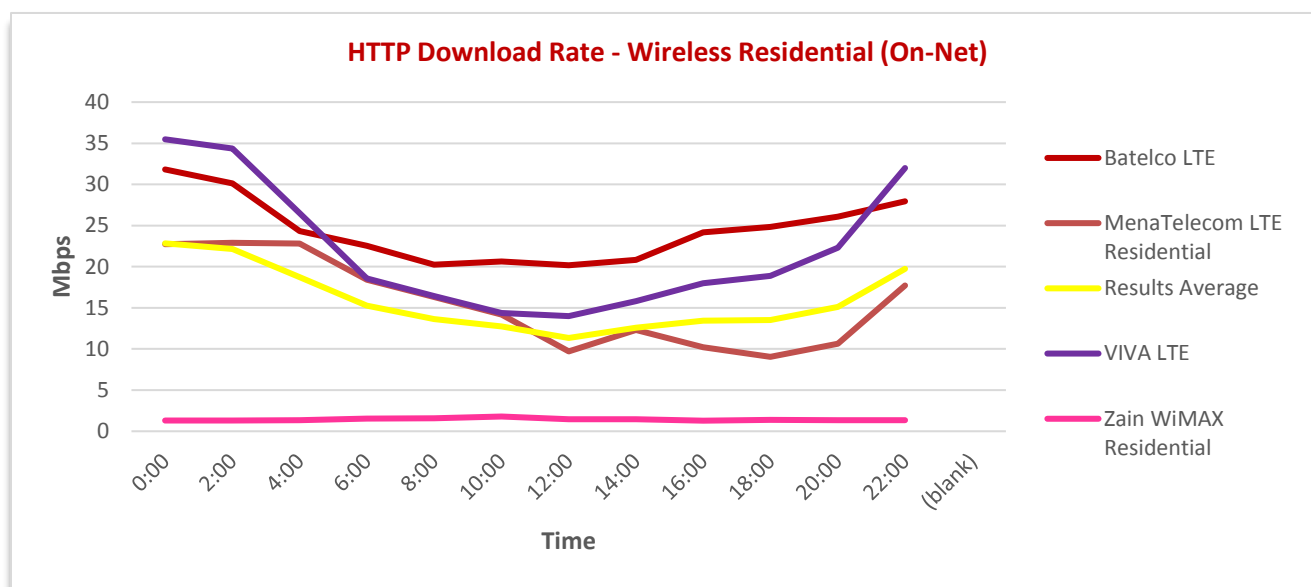
HTTP (On-Net) Download Speed - Chart View (Mbps)

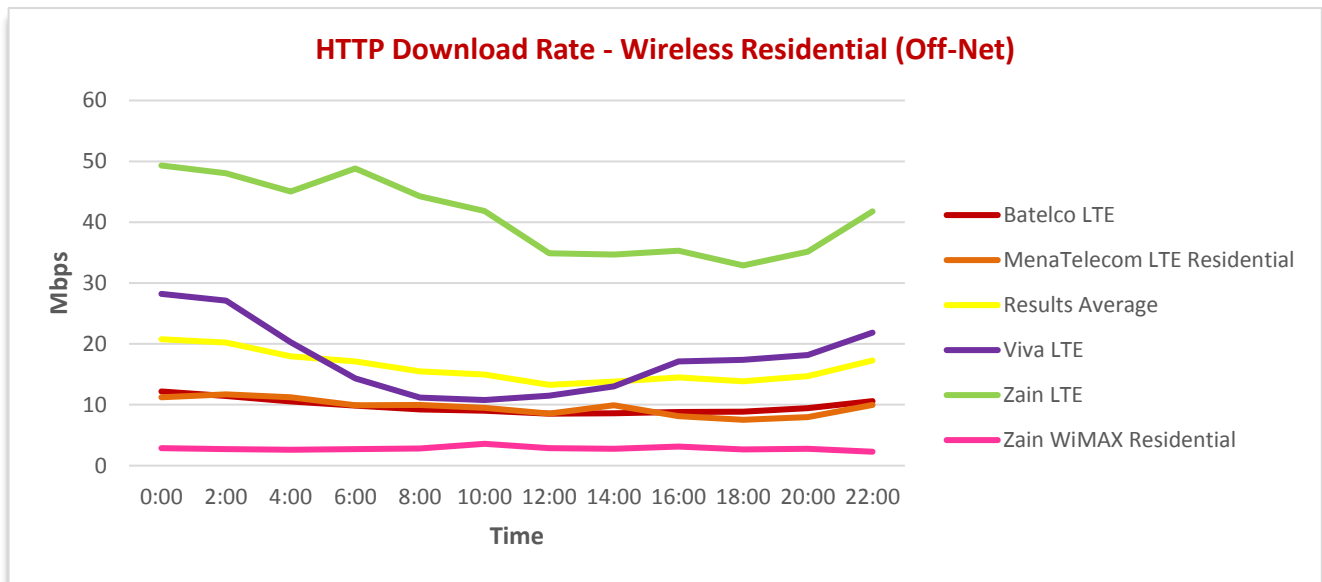| ISP Name	00:00	02:00	04:00	06:00	08:00	10:00	12:00	14:00	16:00	18:00	20:00	22:00
Batelco LTE	31.81	30.10	24.33	22.54	20.26	20.62	20.17	20.82	24.19	24.84	26.09	27.93
MenaTelecom LTE Residential	22.75	22.90	22.82	18.40	16.31	14.17	9.71	12.32	10.23	9.04	10.65	17.73
VIVA LTE	35.48	34.34	26.50	18.58	16.43	14.38	13.99	15.80	17.99	18.89	22.31	31.99
Zain WiMAX Residential	1.30	1.32	1.33	1.54	1.58	1.79	1.48	1.45	1.29	1.37	1.34	1.33
Results Average	22.84	22.17	18.75	15.26	13.65	12.74	11.34	12.60	13.42	13.54	15.10	19.75

HTTP (On-Net) Download Speed – Summary Table (Mbps)

HIGHLIGHT	• Results Average HTTP download speed of 15.93 Mbps has been recorded.
	• Higher HTTP download value indicates higher downlink internet speed.

HTTP download speed testing depends on various variables in the network that could influence the download performance. Following data is the result of downloading a file stored on an external network from the service provider's own network (Off-Net).

HTTP Download Rate - Wireless Residential (Off-Net)

HTTP (Off-Net) Download Speed - Chart View (Mbps)

ISP Name	00:00	02:00	04:00	06:00	08:00	10:00	12:00	14:00	16:00	18:00	20:00	22:00
Batelco LTE	12.19	11.44	10.57	9.85	9.25	9.05	8.54	8.60	8.83	8.88	9.44	10.61
MenaTelcom LTE Residential	11.23	11.71	11.26	9.89	9.96	9.47	8.57	9.93	8.11	7.53	7.95	9.95
Viva LTE	28.22	27.11	20.30	14.34	11.19	10.78	11.51	13.01	17.12	17.40	18.18	21.83
Zain LTE	49.32	48.06	45.02	48.84	44.25	41.83	34.88	34.66	35.31	32.90	35.18	41.80
Zain WiMAX Residential	2.87	2.71	2.62	2.71	2.82	3.59	2.88	2.79	3.14	2.67	2.75	2.29
Results Average	20.77	20.21	17.95	17.13	15.49	14.95	13.28	13.80	14.50	13.88	14.70	17.30

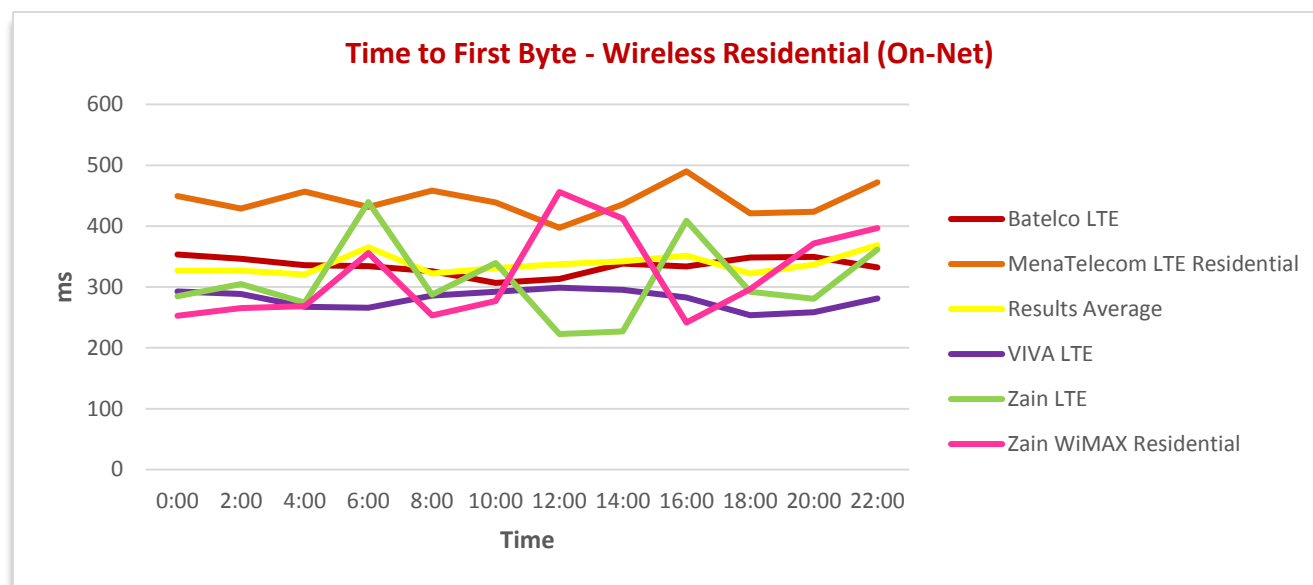**HTTP (Off-Net) Download Speed - Chart View (Mbps)**

HIGHLIGHT

- Results Average HTTP download speed of 16.2 Mbps has been recorded.
- Higher HTTP download value indicates higher downlink internet speed.

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The Time to First Byte test records the time taken (in milliseconds) to resolve a fully qualified domain name into a corresponding IP address till the HTTP page starts downloading. The DNS servers used for the query in this section is located outside the provider's network from the service provider's own network (Off-Net).

Time to First Byte - Wireless Residential (Off-Net)

Time to First Byte (Off-Net) Chart View (milliseconds)

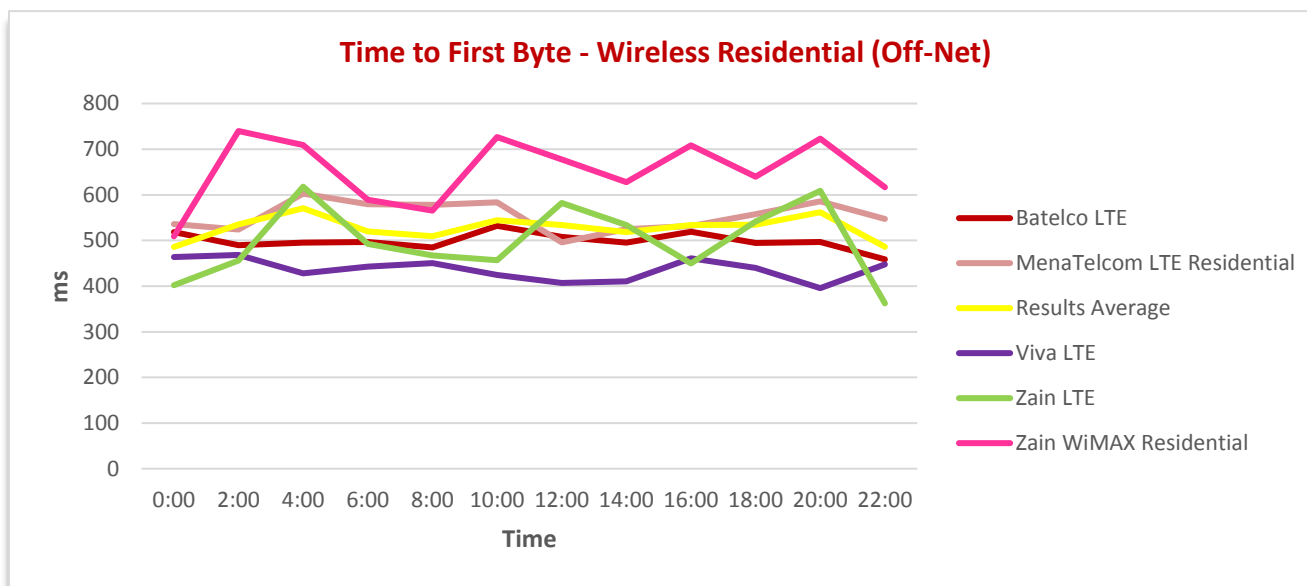| ISP Name	00:00	02:00	04:00	06:00	08:00	10:00	12:00	14:00	16:00	18:00	20:00	22:00
Batelco LTE	518.31	489.52	495.27	496.58	484.80	532.06	507.62	495.45	518.75	494.81	496.91	458.65
MenaTelecom LTE Residential	535.72	523.95	602.64	579.45	577.84	583.71	495.82	524.64	532.04	557.54	585.97	547.07
Viva LTE	464.04	468.23	428.18	442.38	450.62	424.31	407.02	410.43	460.70	439.88	395.54	447.52
Zain LTE	402.03	455.85	617.80	492.27	467.25	456.59	582.00	533.89	449.44	541.34	609.02	362.17
Zain WiMAX Residential	508.89	739.75	708.87	589.48	565.56	726.58	677.64	627.84	708.40	639.60	723.19	616.19
Results Average	485.80	535.46	570.55	520.03	509.21	544.65	534.02	518.45	533.87	534.63	562.13	486.32

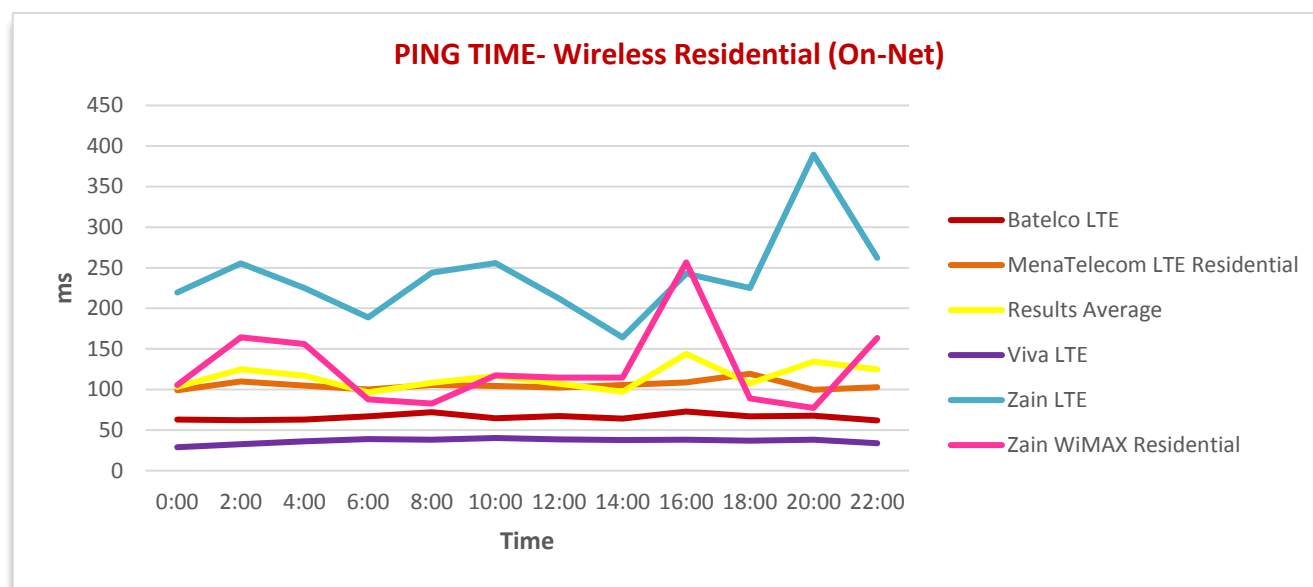Time to First Byte (Off-Net) Table View (milliseconds)

HIGHLIGHT

- The Results Average Time to First Byte is 528 milliseconds.
- The lower the Time to First Byte, the better the customer browsing experience in loading web pages.

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4.3   PING TIME FOR WIRELESS RESIDENTIAL PACKAGES

Ping time or round trip time (RTT) is a method to measure the time it takes to send a number of Bytes to a destination host and have them acknowledged. The ping test has been performed by sending five (5) packets of 32 bytes each to a server located within the provider's own network (On-Net), and measuring the response time. The higher the ping time represents higher latency, so lower ping time denotes better customer experience for internet applications and websites response time.

Ping Time (On-Net) Chart View (milliseconds)

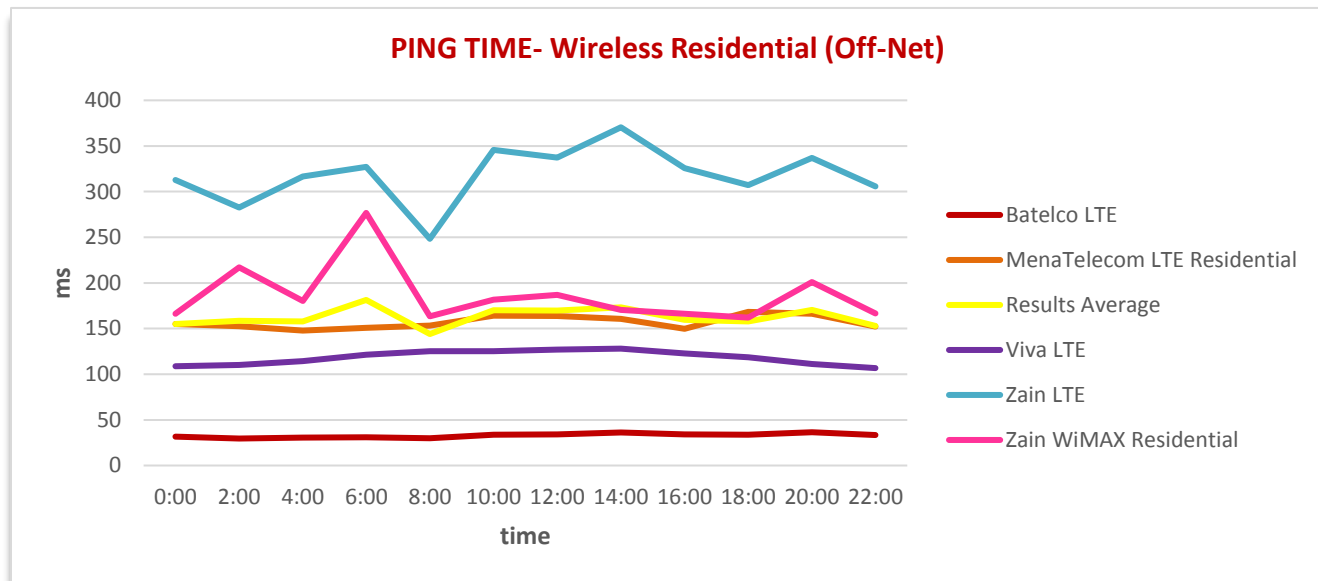| ISP Name	00:00	02:00	04:00	06:00	08:00	10:00	12:00	14:00	16:00	18:00	20:00	22:00
Batelco LTE	62.89	62.29	63.03	66.74	72.16	64.68	67.11	63.98	72.82	66.93	67.51	61.85
MenaTelecom LTE Residential	99.02	109.94	104.93	99.92	105.69	104.17	102.37	105.56	108.49	119.33	99.68	102.88
VIVA LTE	28.84	32.52	36.06	38.84	38.08	40.19	38.69	37.60	38.29	36.83	37.90	33.85
Zain LTE	219.48	255.44	224.88	188.88	243.94	255.94	211.94	164.16	242.81	224.85	389.38	262.14
Zain WiMAX Residential	105.41	164.32	155.95	87.66	82.46	117.19	114.44	114.57	256.63	89.08	77.22	163.46
Results Average	103.13	124.90	116.97	96.41	108.47	116.43	106.91	97.18	143.81	107.40	134.34	124.84

Ping Time (On-Net) Table View (milliseconds)

HIGHLIGHT
- The Results Average Latency is at 115 milliseconds.
- The lower the value of the ping time, the better is the network quality that will provide a higher customer experience.

Ping time or round trip time (RTT) is a method to measure the time it takes to send a number of Bytes to a destination host and have them acknowledged. The ping test has been performed by sending five (5) packets of 32 bytes each to a server located outside the provider's own network (Off-Net), and measuring the response time. The higher the ping time represents higher latency, so lower ping time denotes better customer experience for internet applications and websites response time.

PING TIME- Wireless Residential (Off-Net)

Ping Time (Off-Net) Chart View (milliseconds)

ISP Name	00:00	02:00	04:00	06:00	08:00	10:00	12:00	14:00	16:00	18:00	20:00	22:00
Batelco LTE	31.67	29.56	30.69	30.82	29.98	33.65	34.24	36.05	34.06	33.84	36.48	33.34
MenaTelecom LTE Residential	154.97	152.63	147.80	150.67	153.43	164.29	163.64	160.70	149.93	168.31	166.06	152.04
VIVA LTE	108.82	110.25	114.51	121.49	125.08	125.15	126.85	128.04	122.81	118.46	111.33	106.70
Zain LTE	312.86	282.50	316.69	327.11	248.30	345.56	337.45	370.45	325.59	307.03	337.05	305.89
Zain WiMAX Residential	166.19	217.09	180.21	276.71	163.45	181.63	186.74	170.32	166.07	162.04	201.04	166.54
Results Average	154.90	158.41	157.98	181.36	144.05	170.05	169.78	173.11	159.69	157.93	170.39	152.90

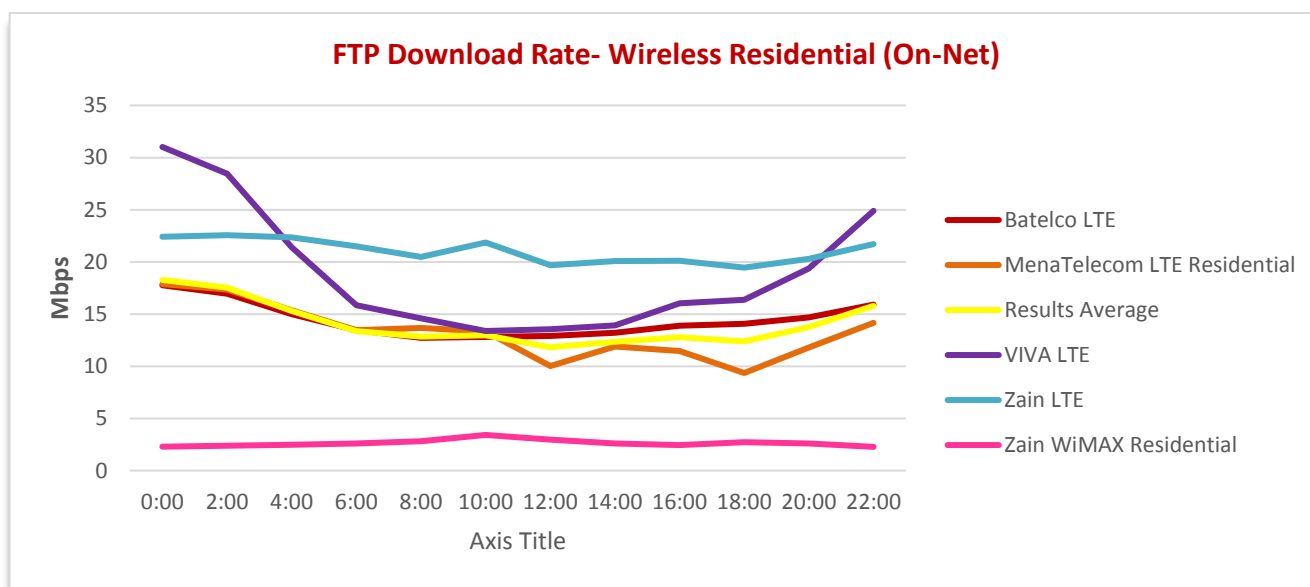**Ping Time (Off-Net) Table View (milliseconds)**

HIGHLIGHT

- The Results Average Latency is 163 milliseconds.
- The lower the value of the ping time, the better is the network quality that will provide a higher customer experience

4.4   FTP DOWNLOAD RATE FOR WIRELESS RESIDENTIAL PACKAGES

File Transfer Protocol (FTP) is a standard Internet protocol for transmitting files between computers on the Internet over TCP/IP connections. FTP is a client-server protocol that relies on two communications channels between client and server: a command channel for controlling the conversation and a data channel for transmitting file content. Clients initiate conversations with servers by requesting to download a file. Using FTP, a client can download a file on a server provided by the operator (On-Net).

FTP Download Rate (On-Net) Chart View (Mbps)

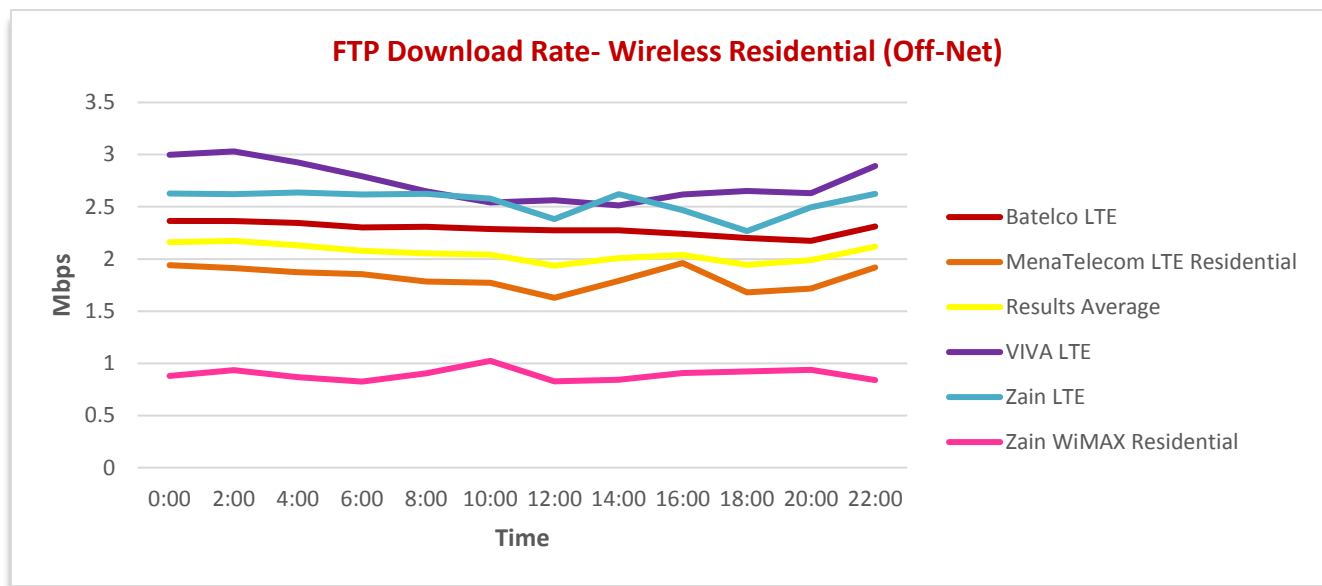| ISP Name	00:00	02:00	04:00	06:00	08:00	10:00	12:00	14:00	16:00	18:00	20:00	22:00
Batelco LTE	17.76	16.94	14.98	13.47	12.72	12.81	12.89	13.21	13.88	14.08	14.67	15.89
MenaTelecom LTE Residential	17.88	17.36	15.34	13.44	13.68	13.32	10.01	11.91	11.47	9.35	11.80	14.17
VIVA LTE	31.02	28.46	21.39	15.86	14.60	13.38	13.54	13.91	16.02	16.37	19.36	24.90
Zain LTE	22.41	22.56	22.35	21.50	20.47	21.87	19.67	20.09	20.12	19.45	20.31	21.71
Zain WiMAX Residential	2.29	2.39	2.46	2.59	2.82	3.42	2.97	2.59	2.43	2.73	2.60	2.27
Results Average	18.27	17.54	15.31	13.37	12.86	12.96	11.82	12.34	12.79	12.40	13.75	15.79

FTP Download Rate (On-Net) Table View (Mbps)

HIGHLIGHT

- The Results Average for FTP is 14.1 Mbps.
- Higher FTP download value indicates higher file download speed from the server.

File Transfer Protocol (FTP) is a standard Internet protocol for transmitting files between computers on the Internet over TCP/IP connections. FTP is a client-server protocol that relies on two communications channels between client and server: a command channel for controlling the conversation and a data channel for transmitting file content. Clients initiate conversations with servers by requesting to download a file. Using FTP, a client can download a file on a server (Off-Net).

FTP Download Rate- Wireless Residential (Off-Net)

FTP Download Rate (Off-Net) Chart View (Mbps)

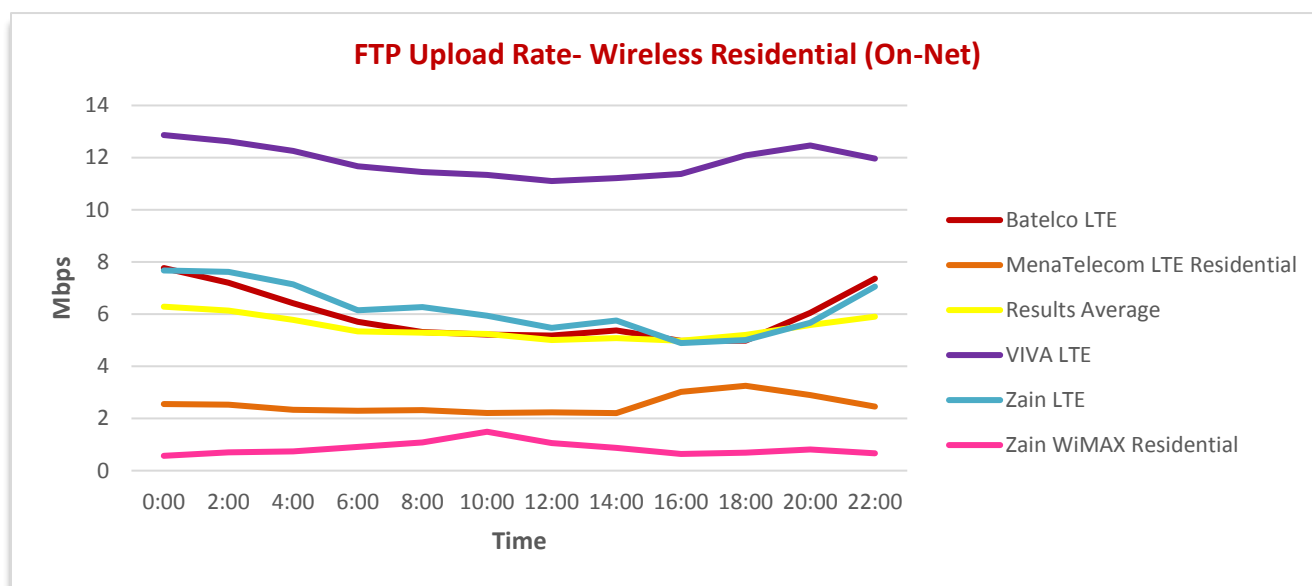| ISP Name	00:00	02:00	04:00	06:00	08:00	10:00	12:00	14:00	16:00	18:00	20:00	22:00
Batelco LTE	2.36	2.36	2.34	2.30	2.31	2.29	2.28	2.28	2.24	2.20	2.17	2.31
MenaTelecom LTE Residential	1.94	1.91	1.87	1.85	1.79	1.77	1.63	1.79	1.96	1.68	1.72	1.92
VIVA LTE	3.00	3.03	2.93	2.79	2.65	2.54	2.56	2.51	2.62	2.65	2.63	2.89
Zain LTE	2.63	2.62	2.64	2.62	2.63	2.58	2.38	2.62	2.47	2.27	2.50	2.62
Zain WiMAX Residential	0.88	0.94	0.87	0.82	0.90	1.02	0.83	0.84	0.91	0.92	0.94	0.84
Results Average	2.16	2.17	2.13	2.08	2.05	2.04	1.94	2.01	2.04	1.94	1.99	2.12

FTP Download Rate (Off-Net) Table View (Mbps)

HIGHLIGHT

- The Results Average for FTP is 2.1 Mbps.
- Higher FTP download value indicates higher file download speed from the server.

4.5 FTP UPLOAD RATE FOR WIRELESS RESIDENTIAL PACKAGES

File Transfer Protocol (FTP) is a standard Internet protocol for transmitting files between computers on the Internet over TCP/IP connections. FTP is a client-server protocol that relies on two communications channels between client and server: a command channel for controlling the conversation and a data channel for transmitting file content. Clients initiate conversations with servers by requesting to download a file. Using FTP, a client can upload a file on a server provided by the operator (On-Net).

FTP Upload Rate (On-Net) Chart View (Mbps)

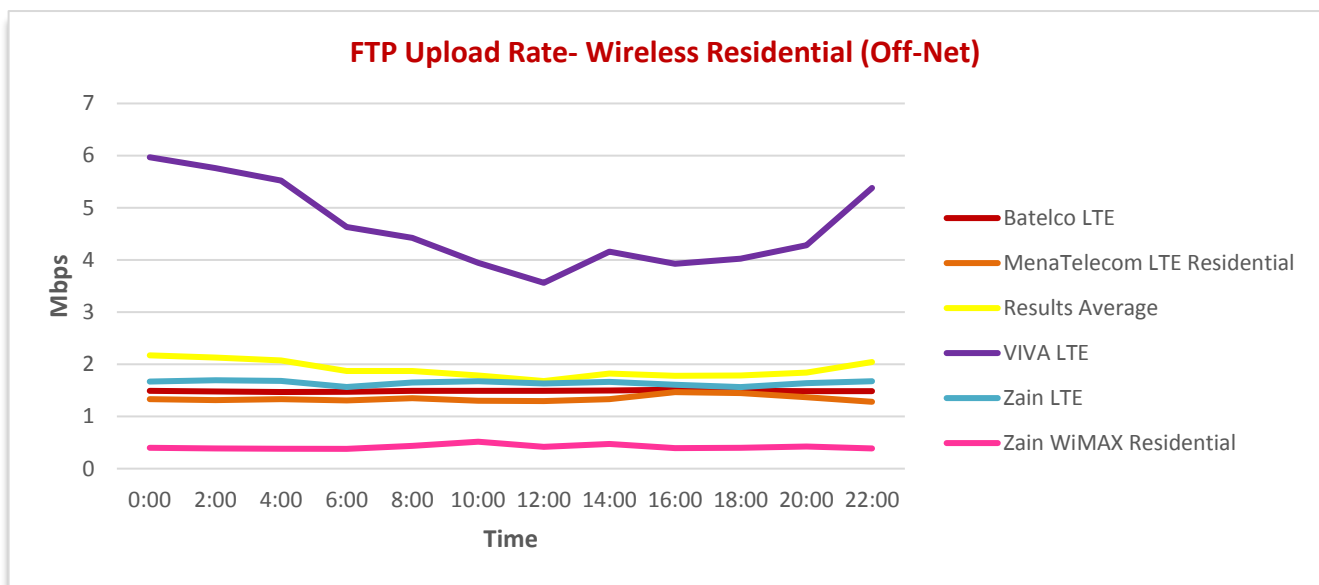| ISP Name	00:00	02:00	04:00	06:00	08:00	10:00	12:00	14:00	16:00	18:00	20:00	22:00
Batelco LTE	7.77	7.21	6.42	5.70	5.31	5.21	5.18	5.38	4.98	4.98	6.05	7.36
MenaTelecom LTE Residential	2.56	2.52	2.33	2.29	2.32	2.21	2.23	2.21	3.02	3.25	2.90	2.45
VIVA LTE	12.87	12.62	12.26	11.67	11.45	11.34	11.10	11.22	11.37	12.08	12.46	11.96
Zain LTE	7.67	7.62	7.14	6.14	6.27	5.94	5.47	5.76	4.89	5.00	5.67	7.06
Zain WiMAX Residential	0.57	0.70	0.74	0.90	1.08	1.49	1.06	0.87	0.64	0.69	0.81	0.67
Results Average	6.29	6.13	5.78	5.34	5.29	5.24	5.01	5.09	4.98	5.20	5.58	5.90

FTP Upload Rate (On-Net) Table View (Mbps)

HIGHLIGHT
- The Results Average for FTP is 5.5 Mbps.
- Higher FTP upload value indicates higher file upload speed from the device to server.

File Transfer Protocol (FTP) is a standard Internet protocol for transmitting files between computers on the Internet over TCP/IP connections. FTP is a client-server protocol that relies on two communications channels between client and server: a command channel for controlling the conversation and a data channel for transmitting file content. Clients initiate conversations with servers by requesting to download a file. Using FTP, a client can upload a file on a server (Off-Net).

FTP Upload Rate- Wireless Residential (Off-Net)

FTP Upload Rate (Off-Net) Chart View (Mbps)

ISP Name	00:00	02:00	04:00	06:00	08:00	10:00	12:00	14:00	16:00	18:00	20:00	22:00
Batelco LTE	1.49	1.48	1.47	1.47	1.49	1.49	1.49	1.50	1.51	1.49	1.48	1.49
MenaTelecom LTE Residential	1.33	1.31	1.33	1.31	1.35	1.30	1.30	1.33	1.47	1.45	1.37	1.28
VIVA LTE	5.97	5.76	5.52	4.63	4.42	3.95	3.56	4.16	3.93	4.03	4.28	5.38
Zain LTE	1.67	1.69	1.68	1.56	1.65	1.68	1.63	1.66	1.61	1.56	1.64	1.68
Zain WiMAX Residential	0.40	0.39	0.38	0.38	0.44	0.52	0.42	0.47	0.39	0.40	0.42	0.39
Results Average	2.17	2.13	2.08	1.87	1.87	1.79	1.68	1.83	1.78	1.79	1.84	2.04

FTP Upload Rate (Off-Net) Table View (Mbps)

**HIGHLIGHT**

- The Results Average for FTP is 1.9 Mbps.
- Higher FTP upload value indicates higher file upload speed from the device to server.

4.6 TOP 5 WEBSITES FOR WIRELESS RESIDENTIAL PACKAGES

Top five (5) websites testing aims to measure the response time of using most common websites via an internet browser. Test indicates the time it takes to load the page using a browser. The lower the time it takes to load the page indicates better customer browsing experience.
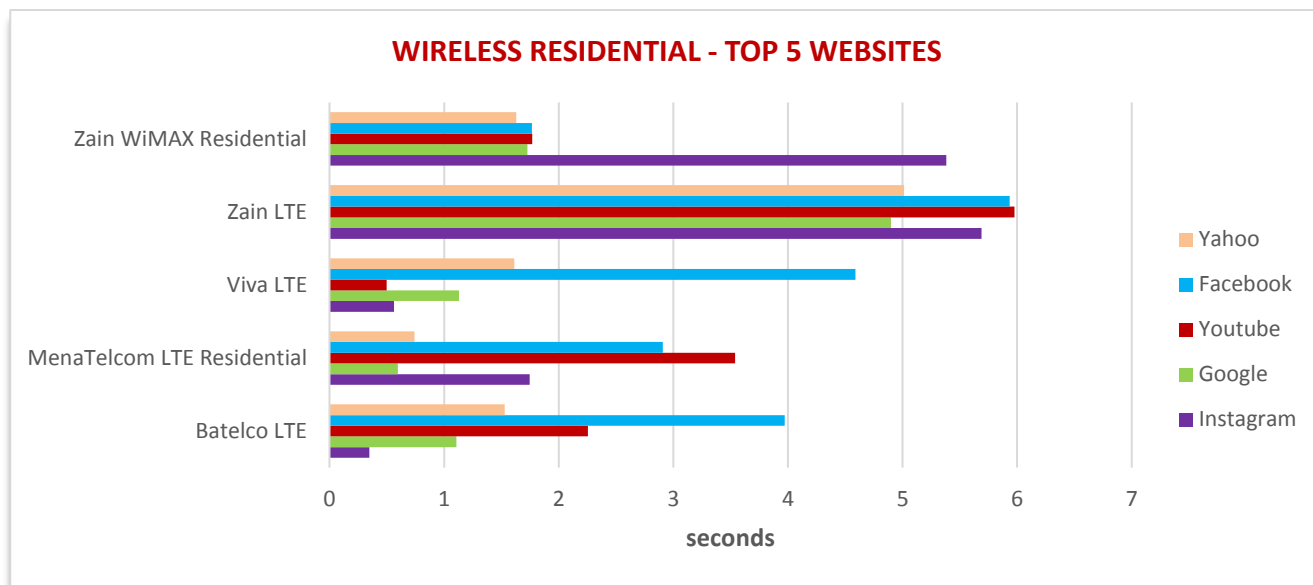
Top 5 Websites Browsing Time Chart View (Seconds)

ISP Name	Instagram	Google	Youtube	Facebook	Yahoo
Batelco LTE	0.35	1.11	2.25	3.97	1.53
MenaTelcom LTE Residential	1.75	0.60	3.54	2.91	0.74
Viva LTE	0.56	1.13	0.50	4.59	1.61
Zain LTE	5.69	4.90	5.98	5.93	5.01
Zain WiMAX Residential	5.38	1.73	1.77	1.77	1.63

Top 5 Browsing Time Table View (Seconds)

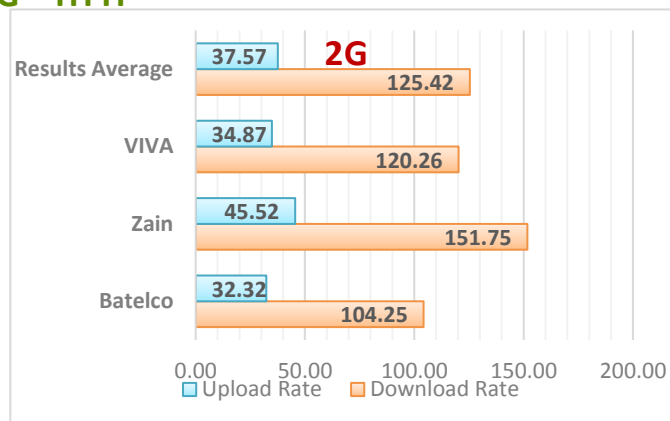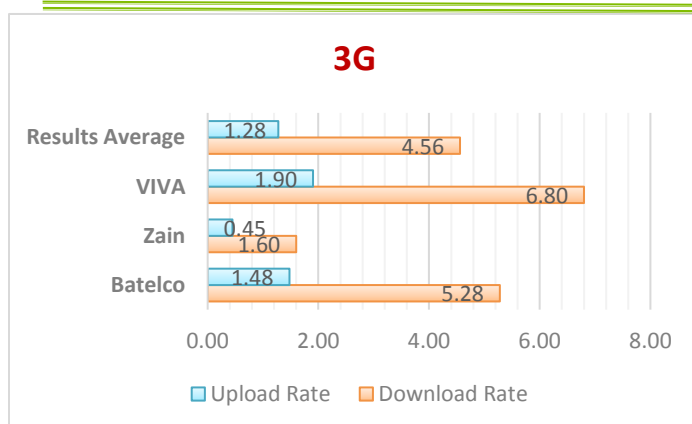| HIGHLIGHT	• Customers on average face better browsing experience with Google and Yahoo services than with Facebook. • Lower results value indicates better customer browsing experience.

5. STATIONARY MOBILE TESTING

5.1 STATIONARY MOBILE DATA TESTING – HTTP

GSM (2G)

Data Download Transfer Rate is the amount of data transferred from the network to the client. In mobile data networks, the download transfer rate depends on the mobile network technology.

2G

	Upload Rate	Download Rate
Results Average	37.57	125.42
VIVA	34.87	120.26
Zain	45.52	151.75
Batelco	32.32	104.25

2G Download & Upload Transfer Rate (Kbps)

3G

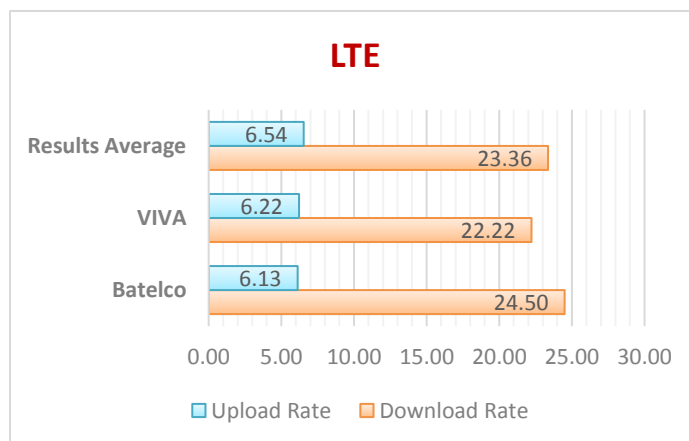|	Upload Rate	Download Rate
Results Average	1.28	4.56
VIVA	1.90	6.80
Zain	0.45	1.60
Batelco	1.48	5.28

3G Download & Upload Transfer Rate (Mbps)

UMTS (3G)

There is high demand for mobile data applications, and new technologies are continuously being introduced to the market for addressing the ever increasing bandwidth requirements of these applications.

LTE (4G)

Long-Term Evolution is a new wireless standard introduced as the fourth generation mobile network technology (also known as 4G). It provides high speed data transfer for mobile phones and data terminals.

LTE

	Upload Rate	Download Rate
Results Average	6.54	23.36
VIVA	6.22	22.22
Batelco	6.13	24.50

LTE Download & Upload Transfer Rate (Mbps)

5.2 STATIONARY MOBILE APPLICATION TESTING

Facebook is one of the top social networks used in the world. Most smartphones have Facebook applications that keep their users connected around the clock, sharing photos and moments with friends.

Facebook application testing reflects the end-user experience on smartphones by mimicking user routine in the Facebook mobile app.

Facebook testing methodology simulates users' activities on mobile application. The scenario starts by attaching to mobile network APN, then requesting the Facebook mobile website (http://m.facebook.com), and providing user credentials in order to access personal account activities.
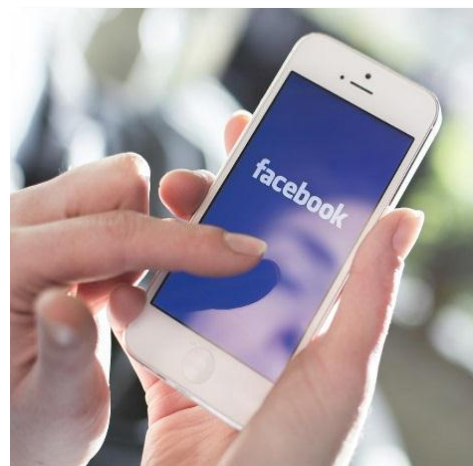
The response time is then measured for each of the following activities: load news feed, change personal status, and upload a photo of 800x600 pixels.

Browsing
Facebook main page Response time

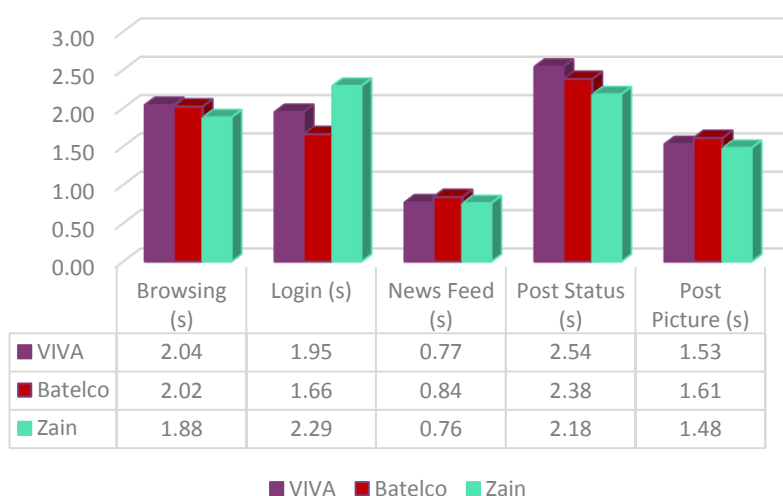**Login**
Response time for Facebook login

News Feed
Response time of retrieving new feed in main page

Post Status
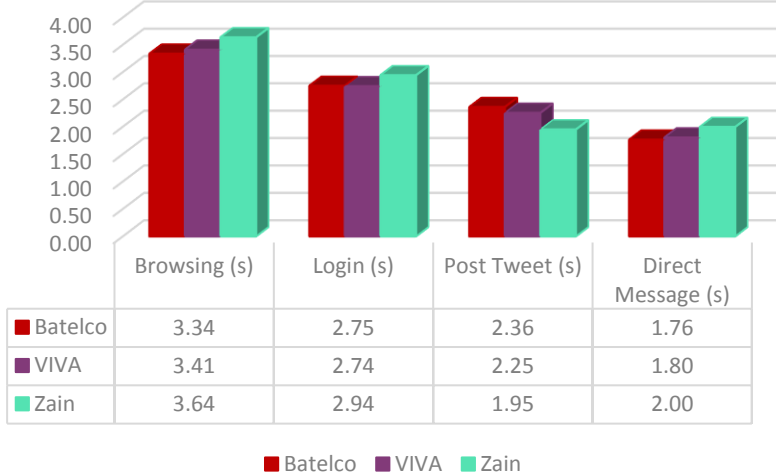Response time of updating personal status

Post Picture
Response time for uploading a picture.

	Browsing (s)	Login (s)	News Feed (s)	Post Status (s)	Post Picture (s)
VIVA	2.04	1.95	0.77	2.54	1.53
Batelco	2.02	1.66	0.84	2.38	1.61
Zain	1.88	2.29	0.76	2.18	1.48

Facebook Mobile QoS (seconds)

Twitter testing methodology aims to measure the experience of using the twitter mobile application. The main activities are:

|	Browsing (s)	Login (s)	Post Tweet (s)	Direct Message (s)
Batelco	3.34	2.75	2.36	1.76
VIVA	3.41	2.74	2.25	1.80
Zain	3.64	2.94	1.95	2.00

Batelco VIVA Zain

Twitter Mobile QoS (seconds)

- Browse twitter mobile URL http://mobile.twitter.com
- Provide username and password
- Post a tweet
- Send direct message to a friend

There are many different email applications available on the internet and mobiles handsets such as Gmail, outlook live, yahoo, etc.

Nonetheless, these are all implemented using standard protocols for sending/ receiving emails and attachments. In email testing scenario, the methodology implemented is to use Gmail server for sending an email by POP3 protocol, to a recipient using SMTP.
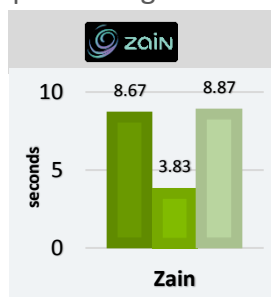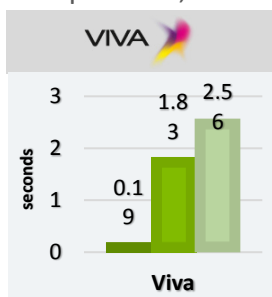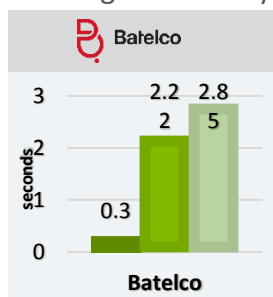
- Email Receive Time - SMTP (sec)
- Email Send Time - POP3 (sec)
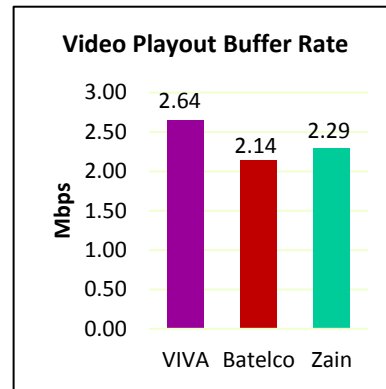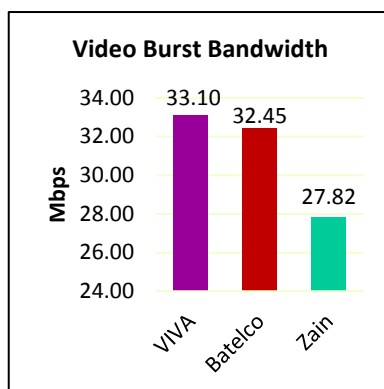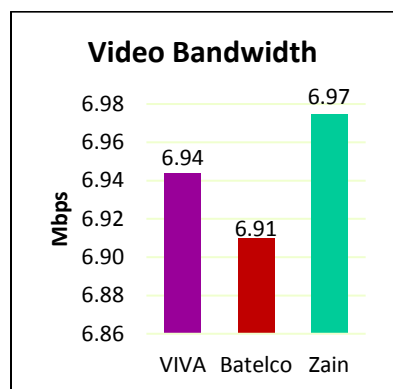- Download Attachment Time (sec)
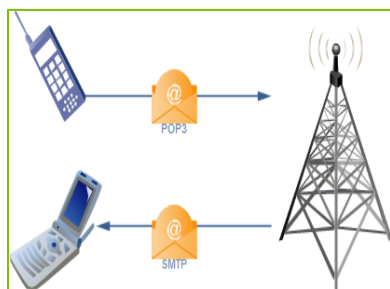
Email Methodology

- Sender logs in to pop.gmail.com
- Sender sends email with 200 KB attachment.
- Recipient logs in to smtp.gmail.com
- Recipient receives the email
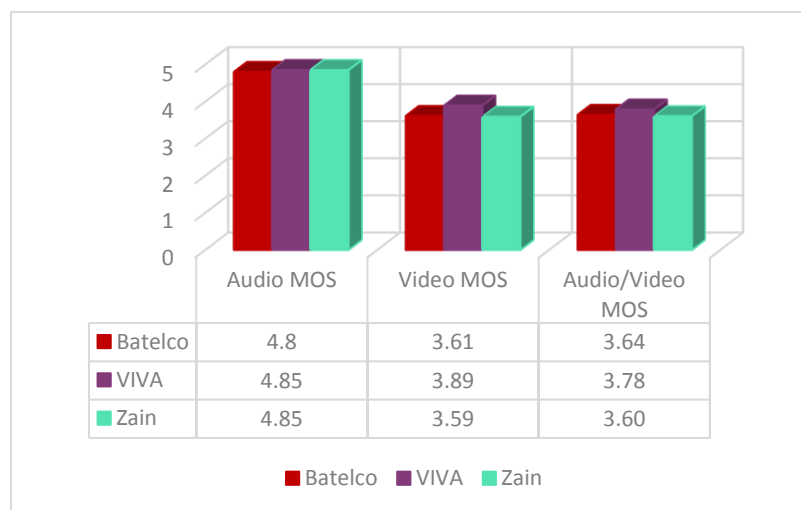- Recipient downloads the attachment

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For those who stream videos from online sources, the speed at which data can be sent to their devices is critical. If your connection is not fast enough, streaming video can sometimes stall as it fills the buffer in the receiving device. Or, the content provider might send a lower-quality stream because it senses that your available speed cannot handle higher quality steams. What many refer to as "Internet speed" is actually the bandwidth available to accept data from the Internet into your device. Measured in Megabits per Second (Mbps), it is the amount of data that can be transferred from the server to your connected device in one second.

Video Bandwidth

	VIVA	Batelco	Zain
Mbps	6.94	6.91	6.97

Video Burst Bandwidth

	VIVA	Batelco	Zain
Mbps	33.10	32.45	27.82

Video Playout Buffer Rate

	VIVA	Batelco	Zain
Mbps	2.64	2.14	2.29

YouTube Mobile QoS (Mbps)

	Audio MOS	Video MOS	Audio/Video MOS
Batelco	4.8	3.61	3.64
VIVA	4.85	3.89	3.78
Zain	4.85	3.59	3.60

YouTube MOS (1-5)

Mean opinion score (MOS) is a test used in telephony networks to obtain the human user's view of the quality of the network. The MOS is the arithmetic mean of all the individual scores, and can range from 1 (Bad) to 5 (Excellent).

MOS	Quality
5	Excellent
4	Good
3	Fair
2	Poor
1	Bad

5.3   MOBILE VOICE AND SMS TESTING

MOBILE VOICE CALLS

Voice calls QoS is measured by placing voice calls from each operator for 60 seconds. Calls are done On-Net (within the operator's network) and Off-Net (to other network operators). Call setup time is the overall time taken from dialing a number until the ringing tone is played, it is measured in seconds. Voice call score is an indication of the call quality, ranged from 1 (Poor) to 5 (Excellent).

Operator	Call Setup Time (On-Net) (sec)	Call Setup Time (Off-Net) (sec)
VIVA	5.3	6.1
Batelco	4.9	5.9
Zain	4.9	5.7
Results Average	5.0	5.9

VOICE CALLS SETUP TIME (Sec)

Operator	Call Quality Score (On-Net)	Call Quality Score (Off-Net)
VIVA	4.3	4.2
Batelco	4.1	3.7
Zain	4.3	4.2
Results Average	4.2	4.0

VOICE CALLS Quality (1-5)

SMS (Short Messaging Service)

SMS (Short Messaging Service) is tested by sending Unicode text in the size of 120 bytes. The duration of sending and receiving a one-part SMS is calculated in seconds.

Operator	Send SMS Time (sec)	Receive SMS Time (sec)
VIVA	2.28	2.94
Batelco	2.1	2.86
Zain	2.24	2.58
Results Average	2.2	2.8

SMS SEND vs RECEIVE TIME (Sec)

6. ANNEX - Testing Lines package

Service Provider	Package description	Package Type	Advertised Package	Access Network Technology	Download Threshold	Download Speed	Upload Speed	Throttle Speed
Batelco	Residential	Postpaid	Value packages - Medium	ADSL	200GB	8Mbps	2Mbps	2Mbps
	Residential	Postpaid	Superfast Packages - Superior	Fiber	350GB	25Mbps	2.5Mbps	5Mbps
	Residential	Postpaid	Superfast Packages - Superior	Fiber	500GB	100 Mbps	10Mbps	15Mbps
	Business	Postpaid	Broadband Business	ADSL	Unlimited	2Mbps	1Mbps	Unlimited
	Residential/ Business	Mobile Postpaid	4G LTE Smart Packages	4G LTE	100 GB	Up to 150Mbps	Up to 150Mbps	Unlimited
	Residential	Mobile Prepaid	SimSim Super Packages	4G LTE	100 GB	Up to 150Mbps	Up to 150Mbps	Unlimited
Zain	Residential/ Business	Mobile Postpaid	Smart Plans	4G LTE	100 GB	Up to 150Mbps	Up to 150Mbps	Unlimited
	residential	Mobile Prepaid	Dangrous Prepaid	4G LTE	100 GB	Up to 150Mbps	Up to 150Mbps	Unlimited
Menatelecom	Residential	Postpaid	menaHome	4G LTE	100 GB	Up to 150Mbps	Up to 4Mb	3Mb
Etisalcom	Residential	Postpaid	eDSL 8	ADSL	Unlimited	8Mbps	2 Mbps	Unlimited
	Business	Postpaid	eDSL 2	ADSL	Unlimited	2Mbps	1 Mbps	Unlimited
Infonas	Business	Postpaid	Internet	ADSL	100GB	2Mbps	2Mbps	Unlimited
Viva	Residential/ Business	Mobile Postpaid	Unlimited Smart	4G LTE	100 GB	Up to 150Mbps	Up to 150Mbps	Unlimited
	Residential	Mobile Prepaid	Viva Prepaid	4G LTE	100 GB	Up to 150Mbps	Up to 150Mbps	Unlimited