

A more connected life.

How technology is driving wireless demand.

Where we are: today

We rely on mobile data now more than ever. Smarter devices, bigger screens, and faster data have led to a dramatic shift in the way we consume information and media—leading to a significant increase in mobile traffic.

2.3 internet-connected devices per person¹

80% of 911 calls originate from mobile devices³

60% of mobile traffic is video²

33% of smartphone owners use their devices for navigation⁴

Where we're going: 2021

In the next 5 years, new developments like 5G and the Internet of Things (IoT) will drive even more of our lives—and things—online. This new technological growth is projected to bring about even greater data demand and usage.

50% of devices and connections will support the Internet of Things²

46 billion devices, sensors, and actuators will be connected⁵

12x growth in smartphone traffic⁶

18x growth in wearables traffic⁷

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