1. Cumulative Number of Licenses granted under Section 17 of the Sri Lanka Telecommunications Act No 25 of 1991 as amended.

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Category of Service | **2017 Mar** |
| 1. Fixed Access Telephone service | 3 |
| 1. Cellular Mobile Telephones | 5 |
| 1. Data Communications (Facility based) | 2 |
| 1. Data Communications (Non-facility based & Internet Service Providers (ISP)) & ISP’s | 6 |
| 1. Trunk Mobile Radio | 1 |
| 1. International Telecommunication Operators | 7 |
| 1. Direct-to-Home Satellite Broadcasting Service | 4 |
| 1. Cable TV Distribution Network | 2 |
| 1. Satellite Services | 1 |
| 1. Infrastructure Services | 1 |
| **Sub Total** | **32** |

SLT PLC, Lanka Bell, Dialog Broadband are entitled to provide Pay phone and Data services according to their licences.

* 1. **Fixed Access Telephone Operators**

| No | Operator | Date of Issue | Period | Date of Expiry |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 1 | [Dialog Broadband Networks (Pvt.) Ltd.](http://www.trc.gov.lk/images/pdf/DialogBroadband%5bMTT%5d_FixedLicense_2005.11.10.pdf) | 10.11.2015 | Ten years (10) | 10.11.2025 |
| 2 | [Lanka Bell Ltd.](http://www.trc.gov.lk/images/pdf/LankaBell_FixedLicense_1996.02.26.pdf) | 26.02.1996 | Twenty years (20) | 26.02.2016\*\* |
| 3 | [Sri Lanka Telecom PLC](http://www.trc.gov.lk/images/pdf/SLT_Fixed_License_20120new.pdf) | 09.02.2012 | Ten years (10) | 09.02.2022 |

\*\* - Renewal Process is in Progress

* 1. **Cellular Mobile Telephone Operators**

| No | Operator | Date of Issue | Period | Date of Expiry |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 1 | [Bharti Airtel Lanka (Pvt.) Ltd.](http://www.trc.gov.lk/images/pdf/AirtelMobileLicense_2007.04.12.pdf) | 12.04.2007 | Ten years(10) | 12.04.2017 |
| 2 | [Dialog Axiata PLC](http://www.trc.gov.lk/images/pdf/DialogMobileLicense_2013.09.28.pdf) | 28.09.2013 | Ten years(10) | 28.09.2023 |
| 3 | [Etisalat Lanka (Pvt.) Ltd.](http://www.trc.gov.lk/images/pdf/Celltel%20Lanka%20%28Pvt%29%20Ltd_%20Mobile%20License_2008.09.13.pdf) | 13.09.2008 | Ten years(10) | 13.09.2018 |
| 4 | [Hutchison Telecommunications Lanka (Pvt.) Ltd.](http://www.trc.gov.lk/images/pdf/HutchMobileLicense_2012.02.11.pdf) | 11.02.2012 | Ten years(10) | 11.02.2022 |
| 5 | [Mobitel (Pvt.) Ltd.](http://www.trc.gov.lk/images/pdf/Mobitel_MobileLicense_2013.02.10.pdf) | 10.02.2013 | Ten years(10) | 10.02.2023 |

* 1. **Data Communication (Facility Based) Operators**

| No | Operator | Date of Issue | Period | Date of Expiry |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 1 | Lanka Communication Services (Pvt.) Ltd. | 04.07.2011 | Ten years (10) | 04.07.2021 |
| 2 | Societe International Telecommunications Aeronautiques (SITA) | 06.08.2012 | Five years (05) | 06.08.2017 |

* 1. **Data Communication (Non Facilities Based) - Internet Service Providers (ISP)**

| No | Operator | Date of Issue | Period | Date of Expiry |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 1 | Bharti Airtel Lanka (Pvt.) Ltd | 28.03.2014 | Five years (05) | 28.03.2019 |
| 2 | Dialog Broadband Networks (Pvt.) Ltd. | 05.12.2013 | Five years (05) | 05.12.2018 |
| 3 | Etisalat Lanka (Pvt.) Ltd. | 23.03.2014 | Five years (05) | 23.03.2019 |
| 4 | Hutchison Tele Lanka (Pvt.) Ltd. | 01.03.2013 | Five years (05) | 01.03.2018 |
| 5 | Lanka Education and Research Network | 01.09.2011 | Five years (05) | 01.09.2016\*\* |
| 6 | TATA Communications Lanka Ltd. | 10.02.2015 | Five years (05) | 10.02.2020 |

\*\* - Renewal Process is in Progress

* 1. **Trunk Mobile Radio Operators**

| No | Operator | Date of Issue | Period | Date of Expiry |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 01 | Dynacom Engineering (Pvt.) Ltd | 25.02.2013 | Five years(05) | 25.02.2018 |

* 1. **International Telecommunication Operators**

| No | Operator | Date of Issue | Period | Date of Expiry |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 1 | Bharti Airtel Lanka (Pvt.) Ltd. | 01.12.2007 | Ten years (10) | 01.12.2017 |
| 2 | Dialog Axiata PLC | 28.02.2013 | Ten years (10) | 28.02.2023 |
| 3 | Etisalat Lanka (Pvt.) Ltd. | 28.02.2013 | Ten years (10) | 28.02.2023 |
| 4 | Hutchison Telecommunications Lanka (Pvt.) Ltd. | 28.02.2015 | Ten years (10) | 28.02.2025 |
| 5 | Lanka Bell Ltd. | 28.02.2013 | Ten years (10) | 28.02.2023 |
| 6 | Mobitel (Pvt.) Ltd. | 07.03.2013 | Ten years (10) | 07.03.2023 |
| 7 | TATA Communications Lanka (Pvt.) Ltd. | 06.06.2013 | Ten years (10) | 06.06.2023 |

* 1. **Direct-to-Home Satellite Broadcasting Service**

| No | Operator | Date of Issue | Period | Date of Expiry |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 1 | Dialog Television (Pvt.) Ltd | 01.02.2012 | Five years (05) | 01.02.2017\*\* |
| 2 | DISH TV Lanka (Pvt.) Ltd | 30.11.2013 | Three years (03) | 18.10.2016\*\* |
| 3 | MTV Channel (Pvt.) Ltd., | 15.10.2015 | Five years (05) | 15.10.2020 |
| 4 | SATIS Agency (Pvt.) Ltd., | 07/09/2016 | Five years (05) | 07/09/2021 |

\*\* - Renewal Process is in Progress

* 1. **Cable TV Distribution Network Operators**

| No | Operator | Date of Issue | Period | Date of Expiry |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 01 | Ask Cable Vision (Pvt.) Ltd | 01.03.2013 | Five years (05) | 01.03.2018 |
| 02 | Lanka Broadband Networks Ltd | 22.12.2011 | Five years (05) | 22.12.2016\*\* |
| 03 | Lanka Cable & Satellite Network (Pvt.) Ltd | 07.06.2012 | Five years (05) | 07.06.2017 |

\*\* - Renewal Process is in Progress

* 1. **Satellite Services**

| No | Operator | Date of Issue | Period | Date of Expiry |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 01 | Supreme Sat (Pvt.) Ltd | 10.05.2013 | Five years (05) | 10.05.2018 |

* 1. **Infrastructure Services**

| No | Operator | Date of Issue | Period | Date of Expiry |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 01 | Dialog Broadband Network (Pvt.) Ltd | 08.05.1995 | Twenty years(20) | 08.05.2015\*\* |

\*\*\* - Renewal process is in progress

# 2. Statistical Overview of the Telecommunication Sector as at end of Mar 2017

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Number of System Licenses | 32 | |
| Number of Fixed Access Telephone Subscriptions | 2,537,438 | |
| Fixed Access Telephone Subscriptions per 100 inhabitants (2016 Dec) | 12.0 | |
| Number of Cellular Mobile Telephone Subscriptions (90 days) | 27,157,647\* | |
| Cellular Mobile Subscription per 100 inhabitants (2016 Dec) | 123.7 | |
| Fixed Narrowband Subscriptions | 2,265\* | |
| Fixed Broadband Subscriptions | 985,939\* | |
| Mobile Broadband Subscriptions | 4,232,675\* | |
| Number of Public Pay Phone Booths | 5,232\* | |
|  | |

\* - Provisional;

Note - 2016 Mid Year population = 21.203 million

1. **Number of Fixed Access Telephone Subscriptions (1990 – 2016 Dec)**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Year** | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 Mar |
| **Subscriptions** | 121,388 | 125,834 | 135,504 | 157,774 | 180,724 | 204,350 | 255,049 | 341,622 | 523,529 | 669,113 | 767,411 | 827,195 | 883,108 | 939,013 | 991,239 | 1,243,994 | 1,884,076 | 2,742,059 | 3,446,411 | 3,435,958 | 3,578,463 | 3,608,392 | 3,449,391 | 2,706,787 | 2,709,848 | 2,601,196 | 2,550,432 | 2,537,438\* |



**4. Cellular Mobile Telephone Subscriptions (1992 – 2017 Mar)**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Year | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 Mar |
| Subscriptions | 2,644 | 14,687 | 29,182 | 51,316 | 71,029 | 114,888 | 174,202 | | 256,655 | 430,202 | 667,662 | 931,403 | 1,393,403 | 2,211,158 | 3,361,775 | 5,412,496 | 7,983,489 | 11,082,454 | 14,264,442 | 17,267,407 | 18,319,447 | 20,324,070 | 20,447,508 | 22,123,000 | 24,384,544 | 26,227,631 | 27,157,647 |



**5. Fixed Broadband, Narrowband and Mobile Broadband Subscriptions (1996 – 2017 Mar)**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Year | Fixed(BB+NB) | Mobile BB |
| 1996 | 2,504 |  |
| 1997 | 10,195 |  |
| 1998 | 18,984 |  |
| 1999 | 25,535 |  |
| 2000 | 40,497 |  |
| 2001 | 61,532 |  |
| 2002 | 73,468 |  |
| 2003 | 85,500 |  |
| 2004 | 93,444 |  |
| 2005 | 115,000 |  |
| 2006 | 130,000 |  |
| 2007 | 202,348 |  |
| 2008 | 234,000 |  |
| 2009 | 249,756 | 91,359 |
| 2010 | 302,000 | 200,000 |
| 2011 | 359,000 | 485,000 |
| 2012 | 423,194 | 942,461 |
| 2013 | 507,845 | 1,664,003 |
| 2014 | 606,100 | 2,790,195 |
| 2015 | 682,512 | 3,408,408 |
| 2016 | 929,089 | 3,991,465 |
| 2017 Mar | 988,204 | 4,232,675 |



Note: BB – Broadband, NB – Narrow Band

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **Province** | No. of Booths |
| Western | 2,503 |
| Southern | 519 |
| Central | 685 |
| Sabaragamuwa | 296 |
| Uva | 186 |
| North Central | 240 |
| North West | 524 |
| East | 205 |
| North | 74 |
| *Total* | 5,232 |

**6. Provincial Distribution of Payphones Booths (Mar 2017)**

**7. Call Duration (in Minutes)**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2016 | 2016 | 2016 | 2017 |
|  | Q1 | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 | Q1 |
| **Incoming Calls** | | | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Local** | 37,683,542,412 | 41,578,695,297 | 41,633,469,455 | 43,435,808,621 | 44,756,667,740 | 11,317,370,567 | 10,804,850,569 | 11,139,788,357 | 11430451453 | 11,000,165,641 |
| **International** | 1,977,309,199 | 2,023,274,456 | 1,935,790,037 | 1,933,590,273.6 | 1,592,185,803 | 313,830,238~ | 278,500,697~ | 259,954,204.6~ | 230,877,112.5~ | 207,307,252~ |
| **Outgoing Calls** | | | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Local** | 37,248,089,885 | 41,424,867,030 | 41,043,805,496 | 43,616,401,855 | 44,757,983,247 | 11,366,803,435 | 10,835,410,945 | 11,168,998,122 | 11,065,767,723 | 11,003,681,231 |
| **International** | 694,065,674 | 711,226,467 | 687,196,312 | 656,391,458 | 575,842,588 | 118,577,792~ | 101,957,421~ | 91,822,809~ | 81,102,473.98~ | 69,155,979~ |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| ~ -Excluding Transit Traffic | |  |
|  |  | |  |

8. No. of Direct Employment in Telecommunication Sector

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Category of Service | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 Mar |
| Fixed Access Telephony – SLTL | 8,793 | 8,648 | 8,802 | 9,126 | 8,681 | 8,411 | 7,303 | 7,211 | 7,295 | 7,172 | 7,033 | 6,983 | 6,557 | 6,297 | 6150 | 6,061 | 5905 | 5824 | 5,805 | 5,720 | 5,656 |  |  |  |
| - WLL (Suntel [+DBN+LBell) +DDialog Broadband?) | 476 | 814 | 740 | 783 | 810 | 822 | 833 | 814 | 1,053 | 2,154 | 2,852 | 2,532 | 2,388 | 2275 | 1,995 | 1,524 | 1459 | 1407 | 1,398 | 1,352 | 1,347 |  |  |  |
| Cellular | 425 | 552 | 852 | 1,016 | 1,124 | 1,063 | 1,699 | 2,207 | 2,360 | 3,525 | 4,985 | 5,716 | 4,969 | 4,595 | 4353 | 4,559 | 4744 | 4714 | 5,037 | 5,163 | 5,127 |  |  |  |
| Other | 591 | 683 | 735 | 798 | 831 | 597 | 553 | 581 | 537 | 574 | 574 | 574 | 574 | 574 | 574 | 574 | 574 | 574 | 574 | 574 | 574 |  |  |  |
| Total | 10,285 | 10,697 | 11,129 | 11,386 | 11,446 | 10,893 | 10,388 | 10,813 | 11,245 | 13,425 | 15,444 | 15,805 | 14,488 | 13,741 | 12,982 | 12,718 | 12,682 | 12,519 | 12,814\* | 12,809 | 12,705 |  |  |  |

\*-Provisional

Provincial data Note: SSC (Secondary Switching Centre)

# 09. Provincial Distribution of Fixed Phones & Internet in Sri Lanka as at 2017 Mar (SSC Area Wise Distribution)



A - 26151



NCD–34752

CD – 30948

NCD– 7557

CD– 10172

NCD–21053

CD– 34911

NCD- 9968

CD- 33159

A-

NCD–

CD –

NCD–25547

CD– 22681

A -

NCD–25425

CD– 45479

NCD– 62433

CD– 26666

NCD-20915

CD – 61713

NCD – 536725

CD – 185620

NCD–17131

CD– 41740

NCD–14260

CD– 9584

NCD–19694

CD – 15788

NCD – 4963

CD – 17876

NCD– 13100

CD – 73267

NCD– 15993

CD– 49984

NCD–37562

CD– 56975

NCD 35627

CD – 67726

NCD–18627

CD– 33682

NCD– 24365

CD– 51391

NCD–59284

CD– 45430

NCD– 2731

CD – 5944

NCD–49340

CD – 58308

NCD–10909

CD– 11120

A - 2433

A - 6648

A - 6364

A - 2510

A - 6208

A-21917

A - 6046

A- 11039

A - 3005

A - 16206

CD – CDMA

NCD – Non CDMA

A - ADSL

A-28608

A-32176

NCD– 53021

CD – 82330

A - 27690

NCD-82391

CD– 69863

A - 6764

A - 10191

NCD– 8011

CD – 30286

A – 210810

A - 17342

A - 8583

A - 10735

A-12016

A-4228

A- 8035

A - 10649

A- 12201

A-11955

A - 6672

NCD– 7029

CD– 33441

A - 39298

NCD–23267

CD – 89674