

# Mauritius Communications is the first country in the world to build a 5G base station

#### Is 5G NR available in Mauritius?

Commercial 5G NR has been available in Mauritius since August 2021. It is available on the my.t by Mauritius Telecom network - also for prepaid customers. Emtel and CHiLi by MTML have yet to launch 5G NR.

## When did Mauritius become a telecom company?

In July 1988, the state-owned Department of Telecommunications was privatised to become the Mauritius Telecommunications Services (MTS). With privatisation, national and international activities were merged to form Mauritius Telecom Ltd.

### Who manages international communications in Mauritius?

Before the independence of the country and till 1985,international communications were managed by Cable &Wireless,a private British company. From 1985,Overseas Telecommunications Services,which subsequently became Mauritius Telecom Limitedtook over.

# When was telephony invented in Mauritius?

In 1883,basic telephony was introduced in Mauritius,only seven years after the invention of the telephone. The first telephone line was set up between the Colony Governor's residence in Reduit and Government House in Port Louis. The telephone network was maintained by the Electricity and Telephone Department till 1956.

### Does Mauritius have a telephone monopoly?

Mauritius has several operators like Mauritius Telecom, Mahanagar Telephone Mauritius Limited (MTML) & Emtel. Each operator uses a different technology to provide Internet access. MTML uses CDMA2000 and Emtel uses HSDPA (3.5G). The monopoly is retained by Mauritius Telecom (MT) which provides dial-up & ADSL services over existing telephone lines.

# Is Mauritius a cyber island?

The government thus aims to make the ICT sector the 5th pillar of the Mauritian economy and Mauritius a Cyber Island. Historically,the country is known for tourism,rather than its call centers and business process outsourcing. In 1883,basic telephony was introduced in Mauritius,only seven years after the invention of the telephone.

OverviewHistoryGeneral statisticsTelevisionInternetExternal links Telecommunications had an early beginning in Mauritius, with the first telephone line installed in 1883, seven years after the invention of the telephone. Over the years, the network and telephony improved. By the late 20th century, the rapid development and convergence of information and telecommunications technologies gave rise to an ICT



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