



# Department for Digital, Culture, Media & Sport

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Dear M Davidson,

Thank you for your correspondence of 1 February, in which you made the following request for information:

***In an earlier FOI***

***[https://www.whatdotheyknow.com/request/updated\\_figures\\_re\\_bduk\\_supplied#incoming-1586680](https://www.whatdotheyknow.com/request/updated_figures_re_bduk_supplied#incoming-1586680)***

***DCMS supplied the figures where premises do not have a minimum speed of 24Mbps***

***Please can you inform me of the latest overall figure where the premises do not have a minimum speed of 30Mbps. (Thirty Megabits/Second)***

We have dealt with your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the Act). I can confirm that the Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport (DCMS) does have information within scope of your request.

DCMS does not collect data on existing speeds, this is done by Ofcom. Based on the most recent Ofcom connected nations release from September 2020, 1.48million UK premises are unable to access 30mbps speeds. More information is publicly available here: <https://www.ofcom.org.uk/research-and-data/multi-sector-research/infrastructure-research/connected-nations-2020/interactive-report>. The information available at this link is the information that is provided to the department by Ofcom and so therefore this information is exempt from disclosure under section 21 (information available by other means) of the Act.

Yours sincerely,

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