

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF SOUTH DAKOTA

A REPORT ON
TELECOMMUNICATION COMPANY OPERATIONS
FOR THE YEAR
2003

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INCUMBENT TELEPHONE COMPANIES

Independent

1. Qwest Corporation, Sioux Falls, SD
3. Armour Independent Telephone Company, Armour, SD
4. Bridgewater-Canistota Independent Telephone Company, Hartford, SD
5. Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe Telephone Authority, Eagle Butte, SD
31. PrairieWave Community Telephone, Inc., Irene, SD
6. Fort Randall Telephone Company, Willmar, MN
63. Hills Telephone Company, Garretson, SD
13. Jefferson Telephone Company d/b/a Long Lines Ltd., Jefferson, SD
14. Kadoka Telephone Company, Kadoka, SD
15. Kennebec Telephone Co., Inc., Kennebec, SD
17. Mt. Rushmore Telephone Company, Keystone, SD
18. RC Communications, Inc., New Effington, SD
20. Sioux Valley Telephone Company, Dell Rapids, SD
21. Splitrock Properties, Inc., Garretson, SD
23. Stockholm-Strandburg Telephone Company, Stockholm, SD
24. Tri-County Telcom, Inc., Emery, SD
25. Union Telephone Co., Hartford, SD
28. Vivian Telephone Company d/b/a Golden West Communications, Wall, SD
29. Western Telephone Company, Faulkton, SD

Cooperative

30. Alliance Communications Cooperative, Inc., Garretson, SD
39. Splitrock Telecom Cooperative Inc., Garretson, SD (merged as of
30. Baltic Telecom Cooperative, Baltic, SD 1/1/2003 and
63. East Plains Telecom, Inc., Baltic, SD changed name)
32. Golden West Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc., Wall, SD
33. Interstate Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc., Clear Lake, SD
34. James Valley Cooperative Telephone Company, Groton, SD
35. McCook Cooperative Telephone Company, Salem, SD
36. Midstate Communications, Inc., Kimball, SD
37. Roberts County Telephone Cooperative Association, New Effington, SD
38. Santel Communications Cooperative, Woonsocket, SD
40. Venture Communications Cooperative, Highmore, SD
41. Valley Telecommunications Cooperative Ass'n., Inc., Herreid, SD
42. West River Cooperative Telephone Company, Bison, SD

Municipal

43. Beresford Municipal Telephone Company, Beresford, SD
44. City of Brookings Telephone Company d/b/a Swiftel Communications, Brookings, SD
45. Faith Municipal Telephone Company, Faith, SD

Foreign

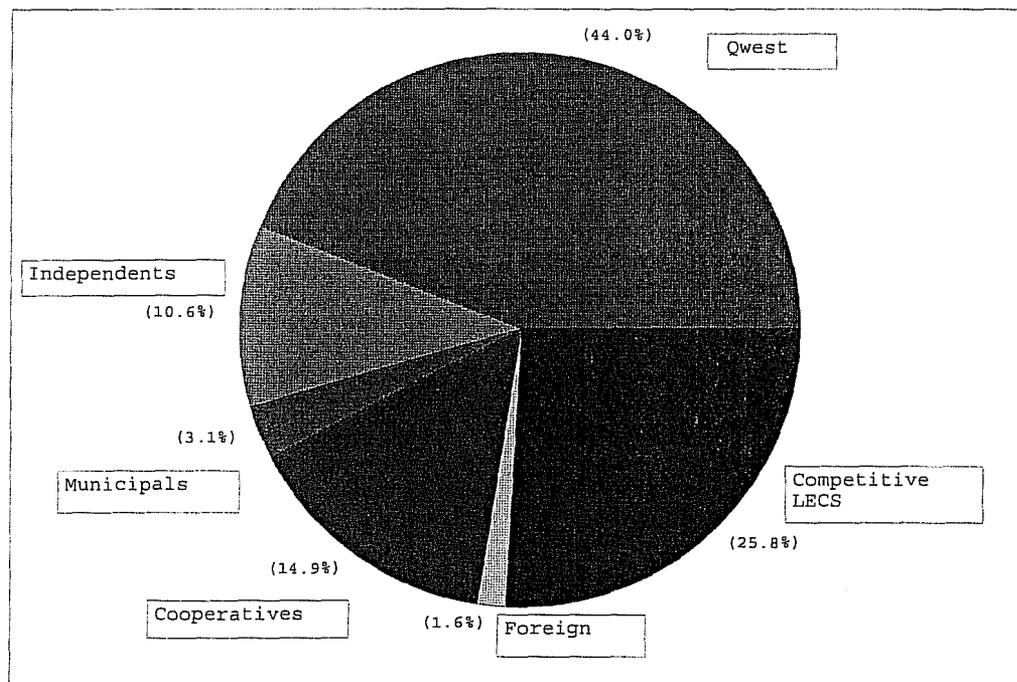
47. Consolidated Telcom, Dickinson, ND
48. Dickey Rural Communications, Inc., Ellendale, ND
49. Dickey Rural Telephone Cooperative, Ellendale, ND
50. Farmers Mutual Telephone Company, Bellingham, MN
51. Citizens Telecommunications Company of Minnesota, Inc., Mound City, MN
52. Great Plains Communications, Blair, NE
53. RT Communications, Inc., Worland, WY
54. Red River Telecom, Inc., Abercrombie, ND
55. Three River Telco, Lynch, NE
56. Qwest Corporation of Iowa
57. Qwest Corporation of Nebraska
58. Qwest Corporation of Minnesota
59. Valley Telephone Company, Browns Valley, MN
60. West River Telecommunications Cooperative, Hazen, ND
61. Northeast Nebraska Telephone Company, Jackson, NE
62. HickoryTech, Mankato, MN

SOUTH DAKOTA TELEPHONE COMPANIES

Subscribers in South Dakota

For the Year Ended December 31, 2003

	Subscribers	Lifeline Customers	Enhanced Lifeline Customers
Qwest Corporation - 1	224,508	6,149	
Independents - 17	54,072	4,374	1,722
Municipals - 3	15,961	484	
Cooperatives - 11	76,161	3,919	1,844
Foreign - 16	8,100	258	455
Competitive Local Exchange Companies - 19	131,795	71	
Total	510,597	15,255	4,021



ACCESS LINES in SOUTH DAKOTA

Year	Incumbent LEC Wireline Access Lines	Number of Providers Reporting	Competitive LEC Wireline Access Lines	Number of Providers Reporting	Cellular Subscribers	Number of Providers Reporting
2003	378,802	48	131,795	19	327,333	10
2002	405,257	50	81,032	16	295,951	20
2001	419,614	50	65,171	11	254,648	8
2000	438,778	51	38,616	9	224,991	8
1999	430,286	61	31,442	8	190,186	10
1998	428,889	61	30,663	7	60,594	5
1997	406,567	61				
1996	403,215	60				
1995	393,278	44				
1994	379,198	44				
1993	367,577	45				
1992	355,613	45				
1991	349,377	47				
1990	338,355	48				
1989	330,787	49				
1988	323,569	52				
1987	317,911	53				
1986	313,366	55				
1985	311,039	57				
1984	309,594	57				
1983	295,487	59				
1982	275,076	60				
1981	279,533	63				
1980	279,712	79				
1979	275,846	90				
1978	270,010	139				
1977	262,250	163				

RANKING OF SOUTH DAKOTA INCUMBENT TELEPHONE COMPANIES
BY NUMBER OF LINES IN SERVICE

Rank		Company	Subscribers	Home Office
This Year	Last Year			
1	1	Qwest Corporation - SD	224,508	Sioux Falls
2	2	Vivian Telephone Co. d/b/a Golden West Communications	19,741	Wall
3	3	Golden West Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc.	16,005	Wall
4	5	Interstate Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc.	14,529	Clear Lake
5	4	City of Brookings Telephone Co d/b/a Swiftel Communications	14,055	Brookings
6	6	Venture Communications Cooperative	13,709	Highmore
7	10+22+26	Alliance Communications Cooperative, Inc.	8,475	Garretson
8	7	Fort Randall Telephone Company	6,988	Willmar, MN
9	8	PrairieWave Community Telephone, Inc.	6,502	Irene
10	9	Sioux Valley Telephone Company	5,917	Dell Rapids
11	11	Santel Communications Corportions	4,832	Woonsocket
12	12	Midstate Communications, Inc.	4,585	Kimball
13	13	James Valley Cooperative Telephone Company	3,967	Groton
14	14	West River Cooperative Telephone Company	3,935	Bison
15	15	West River Telecommunications Cooperative	3,637	Hazen, ND
16	16	Valley Telecommunications Cooperative Association, Inc.	3,591	Herried
17	17	Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe Telephone Authority	3,499	Eagle Butte
18	18	Qwest Corporation -- IA	2,526	
19	19	McCook Cooperative Telephone Company	2,146	Salem
20	20	Union Telephone Company	2,062	Hartford
21	23	Splitrock Properties, Inc.	1,509	Garretson
22	21	Beresford Municipal Telephone Company	1,504	Beresford
23	24	RC Communications - <i>2002 count</i>	1,295	New Effington
24	25	Western Telephone Company	1,099	Faulkton
25	27	Bridgewater-Canistota Independent	1,098	Hartford
26	28	Kennebec Telephone Co., Inc.	779	Kennebec
27	30	Armour Independent Telephone Company	785	Armour
28	29	Stockholm-Strandburg Telephone Company	716	Stockholm
29	31	Mt. Rushmore Telephone Company	571	Keystone
30	32	Kadoka Telephone Company	563	Kadoka
31	33	Jefferson Telephone Company	520	Jefferson
32	34	Qwest Corporation -- MN	516	
33	35	Tri-County Telcom, Inc.	428	Emery
34	36	City of Faith Telephone Company	402	Faith
35	37	Roberts County Telephone Cooperative Association - <i>2002 count</i>	387	New Effington
36	38	HickoryTech - 2000 lines	297	Mankato, MN
37	39	Consolidated Telecom - <i>2002 count</i>	247	Dickinson, ND
38	40	Great Plains Communications	240	Kilgore, NE
39	41	Valley Telephone Company	206	Browns Valley, MN
40	42	Qwest Corporation -- NE	136	
41	43	RT Communications, Inc.	81	Worland, WY
42	44	Citizens Telecommunications Company of Minnesota, Inc.	79	Mound City, MN
43	45	Dickey Rural Telephone Cooperative	48	Ellendale, ND
44	46	Dickey Rural Communications, Inc.	39	Ellendale, ND
45	47	Farmers Mutual Telephone Company	25	Marietta, MN
46	48	Three River Telco	11	Lynch, NE
47	49	NebCom, Inc.	9	Jackson, NE
48	50	Red River Telecom, Inc.	3	Abercrombie, ND

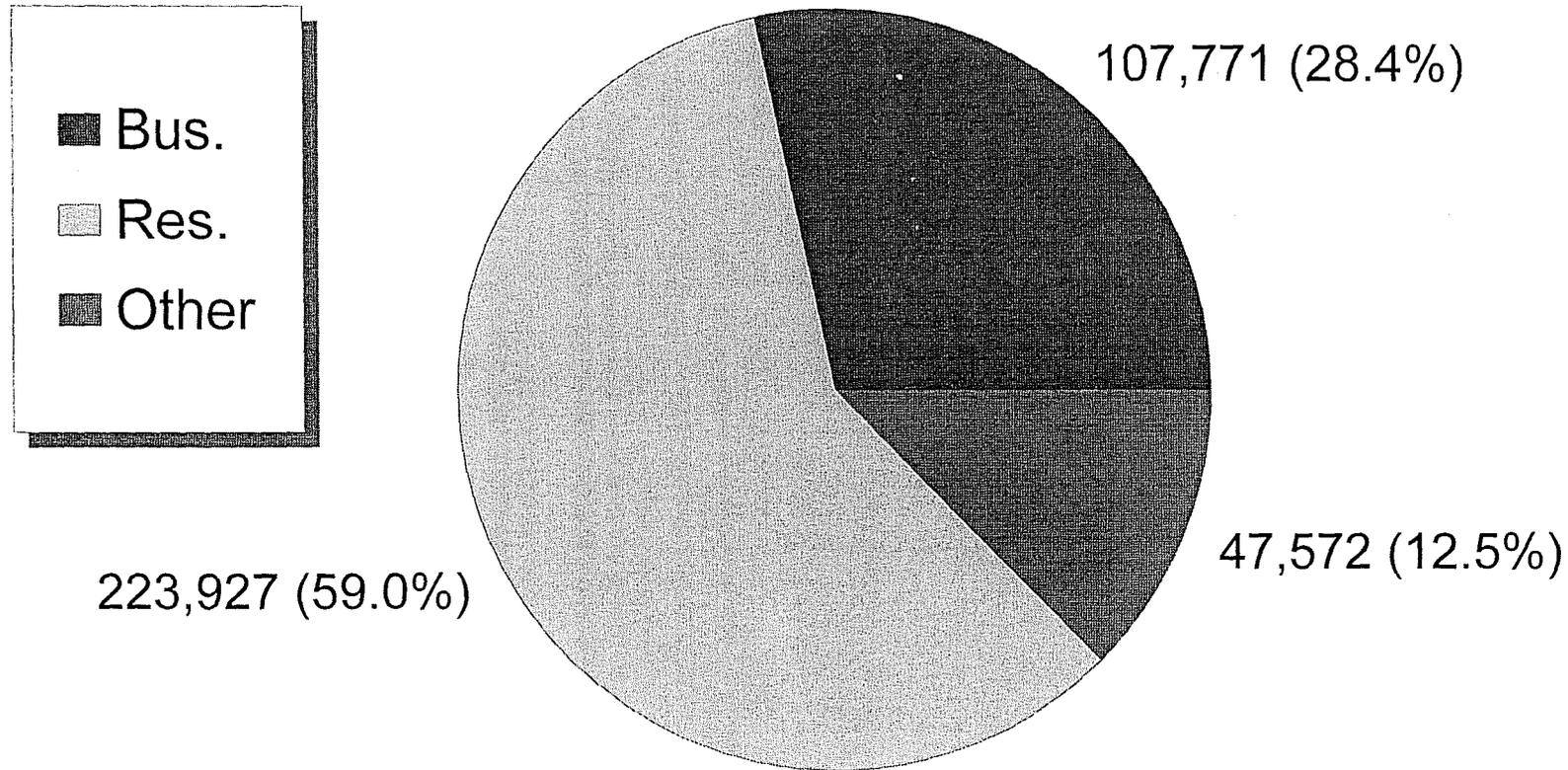
SOUTH DAKOTA INCUMBENT TELEPHONE COMPANIES

Ranked by Number of Subscribers

For the Year Ended December 31, 2003

	<u>Subscribers</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
Qwest Corporation - 4	227,686	60.11
Cooperatives - 11	76,161	20.11
Independents - 17	54,072	14.27
Municipals - 3	15,961	4.21
Foreigns - 13	<u>4,922</u>	<u>1.30</u>
Total	<u>378,802</u>	<u>100.00</u>

Percentage of Incumbent Telephone Subscribers for 2003



QWEST CORPORATION
Telephone Rates

<u>Rate Group</u>	<u>Business</u>	<u>Residence</u>	<u>Residence</u>	<u>Residence</u>	<u>Public Access Line</u>	
	<u>1 Party</u>	<u>1 Party</u>	<u>2 Party*</u>	<u>4 Party*</u>	<u>Basic</u>	<u>Smart</u>
A 1-1000	\$27.25	\$15.05	\$13.80		\$35.65	\$41.03
C 1001-5000	29.65	15.75	14.35	\$13.70	35.65	41.03
E 5001-20,000	32.45	16.55	15.10	14.15	35.65	41.03
G 20,001-45,000	36.60	17.75	16.10	15.05	35.65	41.03
I 45,001-60,000	38.40	18.25	16.55	15.45	35.65	41.03
Measured Service	28.65	11.05**				
Usage Allowance	5.00	2.50				

* Service is obsolete.

** Service is no longer offered to new customers 5/4/2004.

Rates as of August 12, 1997.

ALL exchanges have Local Measured Service available.

<u>Rate Group</u>	<u>Exchange</u>
A	Elk Point
C	Arlington, Belle Fourche, Canton-Fairview, Chamberlain, Colman, DeSmet, Flandreau, Lake Preston, Milbank, Miller, Redfield, Sturgis, Vermillion, Volga-Bruce
E	Aberdeen, Cavour, Deadwood, Huron, Iroquois, Lead, Madison, Mitchell, Pierre-Ft. Pierre, Spearfish, Watertown, Whitewood, Yankton
G	Hill City, Rapid City
I	Harrisburg, Sioux Falls, Tea

QWEST CORPORATION
Telephone Rates

	Base Rate Area (Town)**				Outside Base Rate Area**			
	Business 1	Residence 1	Residence 2 *	Residence 4 *	Semi Public	Residence 1 Rural	Business 1 Rural	Service Stations
<u>Rate Group</u>								
B 1-1000	\$23.60	\$12.00	\$10.75		\$23.60	\$15.00	\$26.60	\$6.65
D 1001-5000	26.00	12.70	11.30	\$10.65	26.00	15.70	29.00	6.85
Measured Service	25.00	8.00***				11.00***	28.00	
Usage Allowance	5.00	2.50				2.50	5.00	

* Service is obsolete.

** Touch-Tone charges not included.

*** Service is no longer offered to new customers 5/4/2004.

ALL exchanges have Local Measured Service available.

<u>Rate Group</u>	<u>Exchange</u>
B	Timber Lake
D	McIntosh and Morristown

INDEPENDENT COMPANIES
Telephone Rates

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	<u>Business 1-Party</u>	<u>Rural Business 1-Party</u>	<u>Residence 1-Party</u>	<u>Rural Residence 1-Party</u>	<u>Res/Bus Rate</u>	<u>Residence Measured Rate</u>
Armour Independent Telephone Company Armour	14.00	16.00	9.00	11.00		
Bridgewater-Canistota Independent Telephone Company (6/22/96) Bridgewater, Canistota	23.60	26.60	12.00	15.00		11.00 + usage
C.R.S.T. Telephone Authority Eagle Butte, Dupree, Isabel, LaPlant, South Dupree	22.50		15.50			
PrairieWave Community Telephone, Inc. Alsen, Beresford-Rural, Flyger, Hurley-Davis, Irene, Lennox-Chancellor, Parker-Monroe, Wakonda-Volin, Worthing	21.90		17.15			
Fort Randall Telephone Company (6/22/96) Tyndall	23.60	26.60	12.00	15.00		8.00 + usage
Centerville, Lake Andes, Viborg, Wagner	26.00	29.00	12.70	15.70		8.00 + usage
Tabor	28.80	31.80	13.50	16.50		8.00 + usage
Hermosa	32.95	35.95	14.70	17.70		8.00 + usage
Jefferson Telephone Company Jefferson	13.50	17.50	7.50	10.00		
Kadoka Telephone Company Kadoka	16.70	20.10	9.65	13.05		
Kennebec Telephone Co., Inc. (4/1/98) Kennebec, Presho	25.00		16.00			
Mt. Rushmore Telephone Company Keystone	32.95		14.70			
RC Communications, Inc. (6/22/96) Peever, Summit, Veblen, Wilmot	26.00		15.70			

INDEPENDENT COMPANIES
Telephone Rates

	Business <u>1-Party</u>	Rural Business <u>1-Party</u>	Residence <u>1-Party</u>	Rural Residence <u>1-Party</u>	Residence Res/Bus <u>Rate</u>	Residence Measured <u>Rate</u>
Sioux Valley Telephone Company						
Valley Springs, East Valley Springs	\$25.91	\$25.91	\$16.10	\$16.10	(Sold to Hills Telephone 6/4/2004)	
Dell Rapids-Trent	28.25	28.25	17.27	17.27		
Corsica, Humboldt-Montrose, Plankinton	14.95	14.95	9.25	9.25		
Colton	14.40	14.40	8.95	8.95		
North Larchwood	9.15	9.15	5.65	5.65		
Splitrock Properties, Inc. (6/22/96)						
Howard, Oldham	26.00	29.00	12.70	15.70		
Stockholm-Strandburg Telephone Company						
Stockholm, Strandburg	19.50		15.00	15.00		
Reville	27.50		15.00	17.20		
South Shore	29.80		15.00	18.00		
Tri-County Telcom, Inc. (7-1-92)						
Clayton, Emery	16.20		12.25			
Union Telephone Co. (5-1-95)						
Hartford - unlimited rate plan	18.60	23.40	12.40	16.50		
- local measured service						
(includes 60 minutes of use)	15.00	19.00	8.00	10.50		
per minute beyond 1 Hr of use	\$.0563	\$.0625	\$.0450	\$.0500		

INDEPENDENT COMPANIES
Telephone Rates

	Rural Business <u>1-Party</u>	Rural Business <u>1-Party</u>	Residence <u>1-Party</u>	Rural Residence <u>1-Party</u>	Res/Bus Rate	Residence Measured Rate
Vivian Telephone Company d/b/a Golden West Communications						
Vivian	\$13.50		\$10.50			
Bonesteel, Burke, Murdo	23.60		12.00	15.00		\$11.00
Burke	23.60		12.00	15.00		8.00
Murdo	23.60		12.00	15.00		8.00
Clearfield	26.00		12.70	15.70		11.00
Gregory	26.00		12.70	15.70		8.00
Marion	26.00		12.70	15.70		8.00
Reliance	26.00		12.70	15.70		11.00
Winner	26.00		12.70	15.70		8.00
Witten	26.00		12.70	15.70		11.00
Lesterville	28.80		13.50		\$16.50	8.00
Rosebud	31.15		15.75			
Freeman	30.65		15.30			
Mission	29.80		15.05			
Custer	25.70		12.45		12.45	
Menno	25.45		12.60			
Scotland	23.70		11.40			
Avon	21.90		10.50			
Springfield	21.90		10.50			
South Burke	26.60		13.00			
South Bonesteel			13.85			
South Gregory			15.15			
Western Telephone Company						
Faulkton, Orient	16.00		16.00			
Cresbard	25.00		18.00			

Telephone Rates

	Business 1-Party	Residence 1-Party	Combination Rate
Alliance Communications Cooperative, Inc. Splitrock Telecom Cooperative, Inc.			
Garretson, Brandon	\$13.00	\$ 8.00	
East Garretson	10.00	6.00	
Baltic Telecom Cooperative			
Baltic, Crooks	15.50	11.50	
East Plains Telecom, Inc.			
Alcester, Hudson	26.00	12.70	LMS \$8.00 + usage
Golden West Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc. (8-23-83) all 28 exchanges	21.95	10.95	\$14.95
Interstate Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc.	12.50	12.50	
Astoria, Bradley, Brandt, Brookings-Rural, Bryant, Castlewood, Chester, Clark-Raymond, Clear Lake, Elkton, Estelline, Florence, Gary, Goodwin, Hayti-Lake Norden, Hendricks, MN, Lake Benton, MN, Nunda, Sinai, Toronto, Wentworth, Waubay, Webster, White, Willow Lake			
James Valley Cooperative Telephone Company			
Conde, Houghton, Columbia, Turton, Hecla	15.95	11.95	
Claremont, Ferney, Groton, Andover	17.95	13.95	
Bristol, Doland	25.95	14.95	
Frederick, Mellette	28.95	16.95	
McCook Cooperative Telephone Company			
Spencer, Center, Winfred, Canova	16.00	14.00	
Salem	28.00	14.20	
Alexandria	17.00	14.00	
Midstate Communications, Inc.			
Academy, Delmont, Ft. Thompson, Gann Valley, Kimball, New Holland, Pukwana, Stickney, White Lake			
Platte-Geddes	19.65	13.95	
Residence Measured	24.00	13.95	\$8.00 + usage
Roberts County Telephone Cooperative Association			
Claire City, New Effington, North New Effington	13.00	10.50	
Santel Communications Cooperative, Inc.			
Alpena, Artesian, Ethan, Forestburg, Letcher, Mt. Vernon, Woonsocket (3-1-2000)			
Tripp, Parkston, Wolsey	16.50	16.50	16.50
Tripp, Parkston, Wolsey	27.00	16.50	
Venture Communications Cooperative			
Blunt, East Onida, Harrold, Highmore, Hitchcock Hoven, Langford, Onaka, Ree Heights, Rosholt, Seneca, Tolstoy, Tulare, Wessington, West Onida			
Bowdle, Britton, Gettysburg-Lebanon, Onida, Pierpont	\$18.50	\$11.50	\$13.50
Roscoe, Roslyn, Selby, Wessington Springs,	27.50	13.70	16.70
Sisseton	29.65	15.75	
Valley Teleco Coop. Assn., Inc.			
Eureka, Glenham, Herried, Hosmer, Ipswich, Leola, Long Lake, Mound City, Pollock			
Long Lake, Mound City, Pollock	15.50	15.50	

RURAL TELEPHONE COOPERATIVES
Telephone Rates

	Business 1-Party	Residence 1-Party	Combination Rate
West River Cooperative Telephone Company			
Bison, Buffalo, Camp Crook, Meadow, Sorum	10.50	7.00	
Newell	23.60	12.00	
Residence Measured \$8.00 + usage			
Lemmon, Nisland	26.00	12.70	
Residence Measured \$8.00 + usage			

MUNICIPAL COMPANIES
Telephone Rates

	<u>Business</u> <u>1-Party</u>	<u>Residence</u> <u>1-Party</u>	<u>Centrex</u>
Beresford	\$16.00	\$7.00	
Brookings	23.00	14.00	Business rate varies SDSU per Administration Contract SDSU residence hall \$14.00
Faith	17.00	9.50	

FOREIGN EXCHANGE COMPANIES*
Telephone Rates

	<u>Three River Telco</u>	<u>Consolidated Telcom</u>	<u>Dickey Rural Telephone Cooperative</u>	<u>Farmers Mut. Tel. Company</u>	<u>NebCom</u>	<u>Valley Telephone Company</u>	<u>West River Telecommun. Cooperative</u> 4/1/2004
Business 1-Party	\$13.25	\$14.00 26.73	\$15.75	\$9.00	\$21.40	\$19.23	\$19.45
Residence 1-Party	11.70	14.00 10.89	15.75	8.00	21.40	12.23	16.45

	<u>Citizens Telecomm. Minnesota</u>	<u>Great Plains Communications</u>	<u>RT Commun. Inc.</u>	<u>Dickey Rural Commun. Inc.</u>	<u>Red River Telecom Inc.</u>	<u>HickoryTech</u>
Business 1-Party	\$29.10	\$27.50 BRA \$28.75 Zone A \$30.75 Zone B \$33.25 Zone C	\$22.50	\$26.73		\$28.15
Residence 1-Party	14.55	17.50 BRA 18.75 Zone A 20.75 Zone B 23.25 Zone C	16.00	10.89	\$14.88	11.05

* Excluding Qwest Corporation

SQUARE MILES SERVED IN SOUTH DAKOTA
BY INCUMBENT TELEPHONE COMPANIES

as of 12/31/2003

Telephone Company	Square Miles Served	Percent of State	Number of Lines in Service	Lines Per Square Mile
Qwest Corporation	12,760.50	16.5620	224,508	17.59
Qwest Corporation - IA	23.70	0.0308	2,526	106.58
Qwest Corporation - MN	42.00	0.0545	516	12.29
Qwest Corporation - NE	740.88	0.9616	136	0.18
Total	13,567.08	17.6088	227,686	16.78
Cooperatives				
Alliance	433.00	0.5620	8,475	19.57
Golden West	16,056.50	20.8399	16,005	1.00
Interstate	3,775.50	4.9003	14,529	3.85
James Valley	2,115.25	2.7454	3,967	1.88
McCook	611.00	0.7930	2,146	3.51
Midstate	2,260.75	2.9342	4,585	2.03
Roberts	210.00	0.2726	387	1.84
Santel	1,887.25	2.4495	4,832	2.56
Venture Communications	7,300.00	9.4747	13,709	1.88
Valley	2,563.75	3.3275	3,591	1.40
West River	5,769.50	7.4883	3,935	0.68
Total	42,982.50	55.7874	76,161	1.77
Independents				
Armour	128.00	0.1661	785	6.13
Bridgewater-Canistota Independent	210.00	0.2726	1,098	5.23
C.R.S.T.T.A.	4,676.00	6.0690	3,499	0.75
Dakota Community Telephone, Inc.	1,104.00	1.4329	6,502	5.89
Fort Randall Telephone Company	1,442.75	1.8726	6,988	4.84
Jefferson	50.00	0.0649	520	10.40
Kadoka	259.00	0.3362	563	2.17
Kennebec	725.00	0.9410	779	1.07
Mt. Rushmore	43.00	0.0558	571	13.28
RC Communications, Inc.	613.50	0.7963	1,295	2.11
Sioux Valley	993.00	1.2888	5,917	5.96
Splitrock Properties, Inc.	560.25	0.7272	1,509	2.69
Stockholm-Strandburg	358.50	0.4653	716	2.00
Tri-County Mutual	131.00	0.1700	428	3.27
Union	121.50	0.1577	2,062	16.97
Vivian	6,526.00	8.4702	19,741	3.02
Western	725.50	0.9416	1,099	1.51
Total	18,667.00	24.2281	54,072	2.90
Municipals				
Beresford	4.00	0.0052	1,504	376.00
Swiftel Communications	5.00	0.0065	14,055	2811.00
Faith	1.50	0.0019	402	268.00
Total	10.50	0.0136	15,961	1520.10
Foreigns				
Citizens Telecommunications of MN	36.00	0.0467	79	2.19
Consolidated Telecom	664.50	0.8625	247	0.37
Dickey Rural	88.00	0.1142	48	0.55
Dickey Rural Communications	61.50	0.0798	39	0.63
Farmers Mutual	30.00	0.0389	25	0.83
Great Plains	8.00	0.0104	240	30.00
HickoryTech (2000 line count)	102.50	0.1330	297	2.90
Northeast Nebraska Telephone	27.62	0.0358	9	0.33
RT Communications, Inc.	34.30	0.0445	81	2.36
Red River Telecom, Inc.	5.25	0.0068	3	0.57
Three River	19.00	0.0247	11	0.58
Valley	85.00	0.1103	206	2.42
West River Telecomm.	658.25	0.8543	3,637	5.53
Total	1,819.92	2.3621	4,922	2.70
Total Square Miles Served	77,047.00	100.0000	378,802	4.92
South Dakota Square Miles	77,047.00			

LONG DISTANCE COMPANIES
Certified to do Business by the
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
as of July 17, 2004

360networks (USA) inc.
3U Telecom, Inc.

@link Networks, Inc.

ACC National Long Distance Corporation d/b/a Vista International Communications

ACN Communication Services, Inc.

ACSI Local Switched Services, Inc. d/b/a e.spire

Acceris Communications Corp. f/k/a WorldxChange Corp f/k/a PT-1 Counsel Inc.

Access One, Inc.

Access Point, Inc.

Accxx Communications, LLC

Adelphia Telecommunications, Inc.

Affinity Network, Inc. d/b/a QuantumLink Communications and d/b/a Horizon One
Communications

Airespring, Inc.

Airnex Communications, Inc.

Alliance Group Services, Inc. d/b/a U.S. Republic Communications, Inc.

ALLTEL Communications, Inc.

Alticomm, Inc.

AT&T Communications of the Midwest, Inc.

American Long Lines, Inc.

American Telecommunications Systems, Inc.

Americatel Corporation d/b/a 1010123 Americatel, d/b/a 10123 Americatel, d/b/a AMETEX,
d/b/a 1 800 3030 123 Americatel Collect

Ameritech Communications International, Inc.

AmeriVision Communications, Inc. d/b/a LifeLine Communications

Associated Network Partners, Inc.

Association Administrators, Inc.

Avera Communications, L.L.C.

BAK Communications, LLC

BCN Telecom, Inc. f/k/a NUI Telecom, Inc.

Bee Line Long Distance, LLC d/b/a Hello Telecom

Bell Atlantic Communications, Inc. d/b/a Verizon Long Distance

BellSouth Long Distance, Inc

Better World Telecom, Inc.

Black Hill FiberCom, L.L.C.

Broadwing Communications, LLC

BT Communications Sales LLC f/k/a Concert Communications Sales LLC

Budget Call Long Distance, Inc.

Business Discount Plan, Inc.

Business Network Long Distance, Inc.
Business Telecom, Inc.
Buyers United, Inc. d/b/a Buyers Online and d/b/a United Carrier Network

Caribbean Telephone and Telegraph, Inc. d/b/a The Long Distance Company (in bankruptcy
8/14/96)

Choice Telco, LLC

Ciera Network Systems, Inc.

Cincinnati Bell Any Distance Inc. f/b/a BroadWing Telecommunications, Inc.

Claricom Networks, Inc. d/b/a Staples Communications-Networks

Coast International, Inc.

Comcast Business Communications, Inc. d/b/a Comcast Long Distance

Comdata Telecommunications Services, Inc.

Communications Network Billing, Inc.

CommuniGroup of K.C., Inc. d/b/a CGI

Computer Network Technology Corporation

COMTECH 21, LLC

Consolidated Communications Networks, Inc.

Convergia, Inc.

Corporate Calling Services, Inc.

Covista, Inc.

CTC Communications Corp. d/b/a Computer Telephone Corp.

Custom Teleconnect, Inc.

D.D.D. Calling, Inc.

Dial-Thru, Inc. f/k/a RDST, Inc.

Dialaroung Enterprises Inc.

DIECA Communications, Inc. d/b/a Covad Communications Company

DSLnet Communications, LLC

ECI Communications, Inc.

Easton Telecom Services, L.L.C. f/k/a Weston Telecommunications, LLC

eMeritus Communications, Inc.

Encompass Communications, L.L.C.

Enhanced Communications Group. L.L.C. d/b/a ECG, L.L.C.

Enhanced Communications Network, Inc.

Entrix Telecom, Inc.

Epixtar Communications Corp.

Excel Telecommunications, Inc.

Exergy Group, LLC

Express Communications

ezTel Network Services, LLC

FairPoint Communications Solutions Corp.

FiberComm, L.C.

France Telecom Corporate Solutions L.L.C.

Frontier Communications of America, Inc. f/k/a Citizens Telecommunications Company d/b/a
Citizens Long Distance Company

GE Business Productivity Solutions, Inc. d/b/a GE Capital Communication Services

GST Net, Inc.

GTC Telecom

Gates Communications, Inc.

Global Communications Consulting Corp.

Global Crest Communications, Inc. d/b/a Dimensions

Global Crossing North American Networks, Inc.

Global Crossing Telecommunications, Inc.

Go Solo Technologies, Inc.

HichoryTech Long Distance

Horizon Telecom, Inc.

ICG Telecom Group, Inc.

IDT America Corp

Incomnet Communications Corporation

Infone LLC f/k/a North By NortheastCom LLC

Inmark, Inc. d/b/a Preferred Billing

Integra Telecom of South Dakota, Inc.

Inter-Tel NetSolutions, Inc.

Intermedia Communications, Inc.

International Exchange Communications, Inc. d/b/a IE Com

Ionex Communications North, Inc.

ITC^DeltaCom Communications, Inc. d/b/a ITC^DeltaCom

J D Services, Inc. d/b/a American Freedom Network

JirehCom, Inc.

KDDI America, Inc. f/k/a KDD America, Inc.

KMC Data, LLC

KMC TelecomV, Inc.

Kiger Telephone & Telephony, LLC

LCR Telecommunications, L.L.C.

LDMI Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a LDMI Telecommunications, also d/b/a FoneTel

Least Cost Routing, Inc. d/b/a Long Distance Charges

Legacy Long Distance International, Inc.

Level 3 Communications, LLC

Lightyear Network Solutions, LLC

Local Telcom Holdings, LLC d/b/a Transpoint Communications

Long Distance Billing Services, Inc.

Long Distance Wholesale Club

Long Lines Metro f/k/a CommChoice, LLC

Main Street Telephone Company
Matrix Telecom, Inc.
Maxxis Communications, Inc.
MCImetro Access Transmission Services, Inc
MCI WorldCom Communications, Inc.
MCI WorldCom Network Services, Inc.
McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, Inc.
Midcontinent Communications, Inc.
Miko Telephone Communications, Inc.
Motion Telecom, Inc.

NECC Telecom, Inc.
NOS Communications, Inc.
NOSVA, Limited Partnership d/b/a Cierra Com Systems
NYNEX Long Distance Company d/b/a Verizon Enterprize Solutions
National Access Long Distance, Inc.
National Directory Assistance, LLC
NetLojix Telecom, Inc.
Net One International, Inc.
NET-tel Corporation d/b/a NET-tel Communications Corporation (FL)
Network Billing Systems, L.L.C.
Network Communications International Corp. a/k/a Mundo Telecom, also a/k/a 1800Call4Less
NetworkIP, LLC
Network US, Inc. d/b/a CA Affinity
New Access Communications, LLC
New Century Telecom, Inc.
New Edge Network, Inc. d/b/a New Edge Networks
NobelTel, Inc.
Norlight Telecommunications, Inc
Norstan Network Services, Inc.
North American Telephone Network, Inc.
Northern Valley Communications, LLC
NorthWestern Services Group, Inc. d/b/a NorthWestern Communications Solutions
North Dakota Long Distance, LLC

OCMC, Inc. f/k/a One Call Communications, Inc. d/b/a OPTICOM, Advant Tel, LiveTel,
SuperTel, RegionTel, and 1-800-MAX-SAVE

OLS, Inc.
OneStar Communications, LLC
OneStar Long Distance, Inc.
Onvoy, Inc.
OPCOM, Inc. d/b/a WCS Operators
Operator Service Company
Opex Communications, Inc. f/k/a PremierCom, Inc.
Optical Telephone Corporation
OrbitCom, Inc. f/k/a VP Telecom, Inc.

PNG Telecommunications, Inc d/b/a Power Net Global Communications
PaeTec Communications, Inc.
Pathnet, Inc.
Phonetec PCS, LLC
POPP Telcom
Preferred Carrier Services, Inc.
Premiere Network Services, Inc.
Primus Telecommunications, Inc.
PromiseVision Technology, Inc.

QAI, Inc. d/b/a Long Distance Billing
Quantumshift Communications
Quick Tel, Inc.
Qwest Communication Corporation
Qwest Corporation
Qwest LD Corp. d/b/a Qwest Long Distance
QX Telecom LLC

Radiant Telecom, Inc.
RCN Telecom Services, Inc.
Reduced Rate Long Distance, LLC
Reliant Communications, Inc. f/k/a HJN Telecom, Inc.
Ridley Telephone Company, LLC
RRV Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a Consumer Access

SmartStop, Inc.
SNiP Link, LLC
Southwestern Bell Communications Services, Inc. d/b/a SBC Long Distance
Sprint Communications Company L P
Sprint Payphone Services, Inc.
Starlink Communications, LLC
Startec Global Licensing Company
ST Long Distance, Inc.

TON Services, Inc.
TTI National, Inc.
Talk Americ Inc
Telecare, Inc.
TeleCents Communications, Inc.
Telecom Resources, Inc. d/b/a TRINetwork, Inc.
Teleconnect Long Distance Services
Telefyne Incorporated
Teleglobe USA LLC d/b/a Teleglobe USA LLC (South Dakota)
Telenational Communications, Inc.
Telephone Associates, Inc.
Telephone Company of Central Florida, Inc.
Teligent Services, Inc.

Telliss, LLC
The Free Network, L.L.C.
Three River Telco d/b/a Three River Long Distance
Total Call International, Inc.
Total National Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a Total World Telecom
Touch 1 Communications, Inc.
Touchtone Communications Inc.
Tralee Telephone Company, LLC
Transcom Communications, Inc. d/b/a Comm Port Communications
Transcommunications, Inc.
Trans National Communications International, Inc.
TRI-M Communications, Inc. d/b/a TMC Communications

Uni-Tel Communications Group, Inc.
United American Technology, Inc.
United States Advanced Network, Inc.
United Systems Access Telecom, Inc.
Univance Telecommunications, Inc.
USA Digital Communications, Inc.
USLD Communications, Inc.
U S LEC Communications, Inc.

VarTec Telecom, Inc. d/b/a Clear Choice Communications
Verizon Select Services, Inc.
Voicecom Telecommunications, LLC f/k/a from Premiere Communications, Inc.

W2COM International , LLC
WebNet Communications, Inc.
Western CLEC Corporation d/b/a Business Services by Cellular One
Wholesale Carrier Services, Inc.
WilTel Communications LLC f/k/a Williams Communications, Inc.
Winstar Communications, LLC
Working Assets Funding Services, Inc.
World Communications Satellite Systems, Inc..

X2Comm, Inc. d/b/a DC Communications
XO Network Services, Inc. d/b/a XO LDS

Yak Communications (America) Inc.

ZENEX Long Distance, Inc.
Z-Tel Communications, Inc.
Zone Telecom, Inc.

OPERATOR SERVICE COMPANIES
Certified to do Business by the
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
as of June 6, 2003

ASC Telecom, Inc.
Consolidated Communications Operator Services, Inc.
Evercom Systems, Inc. (correctional facilities)
Intellicall Operator Services, Inc.
Network Operator Services, Inc.
Reliance Telephone Systems, Inc. (correctional facilities)
TransWorld Network Corp f/k/a Strategic Alliances, Inc. d/b/a London Telecom Network
Teleclose, Inc.
T-NETIX, Inc. (correctional facilities)
T-NETIX Telecommunications Services, Inc. (correctional facilities)
Value-Added Communications, Inc. (correctional facilities)

COMPETITIVE LOCAL EXCHANGE COMPANIES
Certified to do Business by the
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
as of July 1, 2004

1-800-Reconex Inc. d/b/a USTel
360networks (USA) inc

@link Networks, Inc.
ACN Communication Services, Inc.
Alticomm, Inc.
AT&T Communications of the Midwest, Inc.
Avera Communication, L.L.C.

Black Hills FiberCom, L.L.C.
BT Communications Sales LLC f/k/a Concert Communications Sales LLC

CI², Inc.
Computer Network Technology Corporation
COMTECH 21, LLC
Contact Communications, Inc.
Covista, Inc.

DIECA Communications, Inc. d/b/a Covad Communications Company
Dogstar Telephone Co.
DSLnet Communications, LLC

eMeritus Communications, Inc.
Excel Telecommunications, Inc.

FiberComm, L.C.
France Telecom Corporate Solutions L.L.C.

HickoryTech Long Distance
Houlton Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a Guaranteed Phone Service

ICG Telecom Group, Inc.
IDT America, Corp.
Integra Telecom of South Dakota, Inc.
Ionex Communications North, Inc.

KMC Data, LLC
KMC TelecomV, Inc.

Level 3 Communications, LLC
Long Lines Metro f/k/a CommChoice, LLC

MCImetro Access Transmission Services, Inc.
MCI WorldCom Communications, Inc.
McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, Inc.
Midcontinent Communications, Inc.
Midstate Telecom, Inc.

New Access Communications, LLC
New Edge Network, Inc. d/b/a New Edge Networks
Northern Valley Communications, LLC
NOS Communications, Inc.

OrbitCom, Inc. f/k/a VP Telecom, Inc.

Pathnet, Inc.
PrairieWave Telecommunications, Inc. f/k/a McLeodUSA Telecom Development, Inc.
Premiere Network Services, Inc.

Quantumshift Communications

RC Communications, Inc.
Reliant Communications, Inc. f/k/a HJN Telecom, Inc.

Southwestern Bell Communications Services Inc. d/b/a SBC Long Distance
Sprint Communications Company L.P.
Sprint Payphone Services, Inc. - payphones statewide

Talk America Inc.

VarTec Telecom, Inc. d/b/a Clear Choice Communications
Vitcom Corporation

Western CLEC Corporation d/b/a Business Services by Cellular One

XO Network Services, Inc. d/b/a XO LDS

Z-Tel Communications, Inc.

WIRELESS COMPANIES
Doing Business in
South Dakota as known by the Public Utilities Commission
as of March 12, 2004

Aberdeen Answering & Paging Service
Arch Paging, Inc.
Arch Wireless Operating Company, Inc. f/k/a Mobile Communications Corp. of America
AT&T Wireless
Booker Communications
Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless, as Success-in-Interest to CommNet Cellular Inc.,
Managing Partner Of The Following:
 Dakota Systems, Inc. f/k/a Sioux Falls Cellular Ltd. Partnership MSA 267 B
 Cellular Inc. Network Corp (MSA 289 B, RSA 634 B, RSA 635 B, RSA 636 B,
 RSA 638 B1, RSA 638 B2, RSA 639 B1 and RSA 639 B2)
 Missouri Valley Cellular, Inc. f/k/a SD 7 - Sully Limited Partnership RSA 640 B
 Sanborn Cellular, Inc. f/k/a SD 8 - Kingsbury Ltd. Partnership RSA 641 B
 Eastern S.D. Cellular, Inc. f/k/a Eastern S.D. of S.D. LP RSA 642 B
 Commnet Paging, Inc. -- paging
City of Brookings d/b/a Swiftel Communications (product brand Sprint PSC)
CommNet Cellular, Inc.
CommNet Cellular License Holding, Inc. d/b/a Verizon Wireless
Commnet Wireless Inc.
Community Paging Corporation
Eastern South Dakota Cellular, Inc. d/b/a Verizon Wireless
Glacial Lakes Cellular RSA 637 B
Golden West Technologies, Inc. -- paging
Ionex Communications North, Inc.
Midco Communications, Inc.
Midwest Wireless Communications LLC
Missouri Valley Cellular, Inc. d/b/a Verizon Wireless
Nelson's Electronics
New Cell, Inc.
Nextel West
NPCR, Inc. d/b/a Nextel Partners
On Star
Page Data
Qwest Wireless
Redwood Wireless WI LLC
Pierre Radio Paging & Telephone, Inc.
PN Cellular, Inc.
RCC Radio Communications Corporation
Rural Cellular Corp a/k/a Glacial Cellular 2000
S & S Communications
Sandborn Cellular of South Dakota Limited Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless
SkyTel Communications, Inc.
Sprint PCS

Sprint Spectracom
Switch2000 LLC
Telecorp Comm
TracFone
TW Wireless, LLC
Vantek Communications f/k/a McLeodUSA Wireless Systems, Inc. f/k/a Dakota Wireless
Systems, Inc. (DTG)
Verizon Wireless Messaging Services, LLC
Wagner Mobile Phone
Wavesent. L.L.C.
Western Alliance
Western Communications, Inc.
Western Wireless
Cellular Corp of Sioux Falls dba Cellular One (MSA 267 A)
GCC License L.L.C. (MSA 289 A, RSA 638 A, RSA 639 A, RSA 635 A,
A 637 A, RSA 641 A, RSA 640 A, RSA 642 A, RSA 634 A, RSA 636 A)
Wireless Alliance -- PSC
Working Assets Funding Services, Inc.