

AISI-Connect National ICT Profile DJIBOUTI (DJ)

GENERAL DATA	ICT-INFRASTRUCTURE	ICT POLICIES
Capital: Djibouti	Fixed lines (K) '98: 8	Competition in local loop: Monopoly
98 Population (M): 0.62	97-98 % Fixed Line Growth: -0.05	Competition in telephone terminals: Yes
Currency: DJF	98 Mobile Lines (K): 0	Independent regulator: No
Exch rate (/US\$): 172.0	Mobile Line Growth (%):	Private Wireless Data allowed: No
Currency Stability:	Cities with Internet POPs: 1	Independent Internet VSAT Allowed: No
97 GDP US\$/person: 846.0	Local Call National Internet: No	VSAT License Fees:
97 Total GDP (\$B):	Dialup Internet subscribers: 250	Satellite Phone access: No
Local Stock Exchange: No	International Bandwidth (Kbps): 64	Universal Service Obligations:
Personal Safety: 1	Internet Hosts: 0	IAP License Fees (\$/yr):
Political Stability:	Internet domains:	Private Phone Kiosks: No
Tertiary ICT Students:	Dialup Internet Cost 20hrs/mnth (\$):	Public VOIP Allowed: No
ICT Training seats:	64K Local Internet link (\$/mnth):	Business Ownership Rules:
ISDN: No	64K Internat Internet Link (\$/mnth):	Repatriation of Profits Rules:
VPN Services: No	Local phone call cost (US\$/hr: 1.0	Restrictions on market entry:
UNDP Human Devel Index:	Monthly tel line rental (\$/mnth):	Export Credit Guarantees:
.	Telephone waiting time/Wait List:	.
.	Internet Access Providers 1	.
.	Mobile Operators:	.
.	Fixed Line Telecom Operators:	.

[Key to table values](#) All figures above in US Dollars (\$)

ICT Profile:

Internet:

The PTO is the sole provider of services via DJIBNET.

Telecommunications:

The telecommunications sector is serviced by two operators. The **Société des Télécommunications Internationales de Djibouti** and the **Office des Postes et Telecommunications**.

Djibouti has a well developed telephone network. As a coastal country along the Red Sea, it has access to the SEA-ME-WE1 20Gbps undersea optical fibre cable that travels from South East Asia and through the Mediterranean along north Africa. There are 5000 incoming and 5400 outgoing Submarine cable circuits of which 138 being used by STID. Ethiopia is subscribing to 83 circuits via terrestrial digital microwave link from Djibouti. Djibouti may act as a connection center for other neighboring Horn of Africa countries and it has the potential to establish broadband connections to the Internet.

The ITU and the World Bank is assisting with restructuring the telecommunications sector which is expected to see the merger of OPT and STID, the establishment of an independant regulator and the separation of postal operations from telecommunications.

National ICT Activities

Includes the **International Chamber of Commerce**, the Centre de documentation of the **Institut supérieur d'études et de recherches scientifiques et techniques** , and the **Ministère de l'Agriculture et du développement rural**.

The **Centre d'information de la Direction du plan** which falls under the **Présidence de la République** is also in the process of being established. The **Assemblée nationale** also has an extensive library.

Société d'ingénierie informatique is the major distributor of PC equipment in Djibouti.

Communication Costs:

DJIBNET:

Dialup: Setup - 25 000 Fdj, 5hrs/mnth - 7 500 Fdj, 10 hrs/mnth - 12 000 Fdj, 20hrs/mnth - 20 000 Fdj, additional hours - 1000 Fdj /hr. Leased lines: Installation - 240 000 Fdj, setup - 20 000 Fdj, monthly- 50 000 Fdj

Local calls cost 1 FF for 15 minutes - US\$1.0 / hour

Organisational Activities in the ICT Sector:

Intergovernmental Agency on Drought and Desertification (IGADD)

Societe de Telecommunications Internationales de Djibouti One of two telecommunications operators; a commercialised company 75% owned by government and 25% by France Cable & Radio (FCR). Responsible for international telecommunications as well as X.25 (DJIPAC) and Internet services. (The other operator, the **Office des Postes et Telecommunications** is responsible for the national network. Currently there are only about 50 users as the service is among the most expensive in Africa.)

STID also operates DJIBNET, a hub set up in May 96, and the sole provider of Internet services with a 64Kbps link via France Telecom. <http://www.intnet.dj/std/index.html> std@intnet.dj

Ministère de l'Agriculture et du développement rural Has decided to establish an information and documentation centre.

Institut supérieur d'études et de recherches scientifiques et techniques The only computerised documentation centre. Has embarked on a project to develop a national information and documentation network.

Chambre Internationale de Commerce et d'Industrie de Djibouti Produced the first proposal for an African Telematics Association. Being helped by the UNDP and the European Union to develop a commercial information documentation centre. Hosted at the Djibouti Chamber of Commerce.

Source:

AISI-Connect database - <http://www2.sn.apc.org/africa> Telecom/GDP stats source: ITU/World Bank. Internet hosts: Network Wizards

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