

## Mediacom Communications Private Broadband Infrastructure Investments Help Drive Iowa to #1 Overall State Ranking

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Leading 1-Gig internet provider made Iowa first Gigabit State in January 2017

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DES MOINES, Iowa--(BUSINESS WIRE)--A little over a year after Mediacom Communications announced the company launched 1 Gig Internet service across its entire Iowa footprint, the Hawkeye State garnered the top ranking in the U.S. News Best States Overall Ranking powered by McKinsey & Company.

In January 2017, Mediacom began offering ultra-fast 1-Gig Internet to all of the nearly 1 million households and businesses in the more than 300 lowa communities passed by the company's fiber-rich digital network. In announcing the statewide rollout of these next generation services, Mediacom's founder and CEO, Rocco B. Commisso, noted that as a result of the company's private investment, "lowa is not only Mediacom's first gigabit state, but now leads all U.S. states in gigabit broadband availability."

Thirteen months later, Commisso's statement rang true as the state's #1 ranking in the Infrastructure category propelled lowa to the top of the U.S. News Best States rankings. Specifically, U.S. News found that more lowa households have access to high-speed broadband internet of at least 1 gigabit per second than any other state in the country.

"We are extremely proud that Iowa was recognized for leading the nation in access to ultra-fast broadband services," said Governor Kim Reynolds. "As the U.S. News rankings indicate, the fact that Mediacom was willing to invest private capital to make gigabit speeds available throughout its entire Iowa service area has truly made a difference in the quality of life in hundreds of communities across our state."

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