

I have just had the NBN connected to my home today, so my thoughts are fresh in my mind.

My line speed has increased from ~2.5mbps to ~23.5mbps. I am now able to stream 1080p YouTube videos, and have a generally fast internet, so I'm happy about that. Overall however, I am not happy that this new infrastructure has only brought my internet speeds up to what they should have been at years ago. What will happen in a few more years, when 4k videos and 50GB+ game downloads are the norm? Well, I go back to missing out or waiting crazy amounts of time, like nothing changed.

It is crazy to me that the NBN has become so lackluster and mismanaged. Having FTTH everywhere was the correct way to go, and anything less is just a waste of time and money, as this infrastructure will now need to be replaced again soon, costing even more. This technology was supposed to bring Australia up into the current world of technology, giving everyone full access to the growing internet. Instead, the maximum speed we can achieve is 100mbps, and lowest is a pitiful 12.12! That's honestly disgusting for a 'new' technology, and for this day and age. And then, those aren't even guaranteed speeds, they're still theoretical maximums. What a joke.

The internet is rapidly becoming the most important service that people have access to, more of a revolution than the television and telephone before it, yet it is being treated like a joke. I am thoroughly disappointed with the NBN as I see it now.