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# Are Latvia s communication base stations being upgraded to 5G



## Overview

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How many 5G base stations are there in Latvia?

Tele2, the Swedish telco, plans to launch around 300 new 5G base stations in Latvia this year, and upgrade 300 4G base stations, wrote Labs of Latvia. Author: Lelde Beņķe (labsoflatvia.com). Publicity photo. Lithuanian information and communication technology service provider Bite has now switched on 172 5G base stations across Latvia.

How many 5G base stations does bite have in Latvia?

In its ongoing efforts to develop its next-generation mobile communications network, the Lithuanian information and communication technology service provider Bite has now switched on 172 5G base stations across Latvia.

How does 5G work in Latvia?

On board Latvian port service provider LVR Flote's Varma icebreaker ship, the LMT has deployed 5G connectivity that can be delivered as far as 53km from the base station. Pilot boats and floating drones are all part of an intricate system to broadcast seabed measurements and remote video transmissions.

Is Bite Latvija focusing on 5G?

Arūnas Mickevičius, General Director of Bite Latvija, says that network development is a strategic priority for the company and that Bite's focus for the next 10 years will be on 5G.

Will 5G help Latvia's border security?

Latvia has recently accused Belarus of letting illegal migrants cross into Latvia. This is an instance where border security, police, and military need to collaborate. Not all of these units would have access to the traditional military "green radio." However, 5G has the potential to simplify coordination and collaboration at the country's borders.

Is 4G a viable alternative to fixed broadband in Latvia?

Indeed, many Latvians eschew a wired broadband connection in their own home in favor of relying on 4G. According to the European Commission, as early as 2017, mobile and fixed services have directly competed, with 4G emerging as an alternative to fixed broadband, particularly in rural areas.

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