

Polk County

Rural – Tier 3
Median Household Income - \$36,259
Population – 19,036
Households – 8,297
High-Speed Internet Access – **90.05%**

Access Providers

Cable Households with Access – **61.08%**

Charter Communications and Northland Premier Cable have the cable TV franchises in Polk County.

Charter provides cable modem access in Columbus, Lynn, Saluda, and Tryon.

Northland provides cable TV service in areas of Polk County.

Telcos Households with Access – **90.05%**

AT&T, Saluda Mountain Telephone Company and Windstream provide telephone access in Polk County.

AT&T serves a small area in the northern section of Polk County with its Lake Lure exchange (Rutherford County), which includes DSL access.

Saluda Mountain Telephone Company (TDS Telecom) provides DSL service to 76% of Saluda.

Windstream provides DSL in the Columbus (99%), Green Creek (95%) and Tryon (91%) exchanges.

Satellite

Polk County customers with a clear view of the southern sky have access to Direcway & Starband high-speed Internet service.

Wireless

NewEraCom www.skyrunner.net provides wireless high-speed Internet access in the Tryon Peak area of Polk County.

