

Hughes Launches High-Speed Satellite Internet Service in Chile

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HughesNet, world's largest satellite Internet service, helps bridge the digital divide, reaching more than 98% of Chileans

SANTIAGO, Chile, April 29, 2019 /PRNewswire/ -- [Hughes Network Systems](#), LLC (HUGHES), the global leader in broadband satellite networks and services, today announced the launch of HughesNet®, its flagship high-speed satellite Internet service for consumers and businesses, in Chile. Operating over the [Hughes 63 West](#) High-Throughput Satellite (HTS) payload, HughesNet reaches more than 98 percent of homes throughout Chile, including areas unserved or underserved by terrestrial providers. According to published figures on fixed Internet connections from the [Subsecretaria de Telecomunicaciones](#) (SUBTEL) in Chile, it is estimated that nearly half of Chilean households either have no broadband Internet access or their service is slower than 5 Mbps.



"We are proud to help connect the unconnected in Chile with our signature high-speed satellite Internet service," said Pradman Kaul, president of Hughes. "This follows the successful launch of HughesNet in Brazil, Colombia, Ecuador and Peru – bringing people throughout the Americas the social, economic and educational benefits of the connected experience."

To date, more than 1.3 million consumer and business subscribers in the Americas enjoy the many benefits of high-speed Internet access with HughesNet. Service plans offered in Chile come with built-in Wi-Fi and include speeds of up to 50 Mbps download and 5 Mbps upload.

"With the commencement of HughesNet in Chile, we continue our strategy to expand Internet access across the Americas with attractive pricing plans and fast, reliable service," said Vinod Shukla, senior vice president, International at Hughes. "Now, more Chileans can do more online, including web browsing, email, shopping, social media and downloading music and video."

HughesNet is powered by the latest generation of the Hughes JUPITER™ System, which employs the DVB-S2X standard for highly efficient use of satellite bandwidth. The world's most widely deployed satellite broadband platform, the JUPITER System supports applications such as Community Wi-Fi Hotspots, cellular backhaul and in-flight connectivity services, in addition to broadband Internet access.

For more information about HughesNet in Chile, please visit: <http://www.hughesnet.cl/>

Hughes at SATELLITE 2019: Connecting People, Enterprises and Things

Hughes will exhibit at SATELLITE 2019 May 6-9 at the Walter E. Washington Convention Center in Washington, D.C., showcasing how consumers, businesses, governments and communities around the world benefit from the connected experiences enabled by Hughes technologies and services, today...and tomorrow. See Hughes executives at SATELLITE 2019 for unique perspective on connecting people, enterprises and things – including GEO HTS and LEO systems; community Wi-Fi and cellular backhaul solutions; M2M, AI and IoT networks; aero and maritime connectivity; MilSatCom and more. For further information, please visit www.hughes.com/sat19

About Hughes Network Systems

Hughes Network Systems, LLC (HUGHES) is the global leader in broadband satellite technology and services for home and office. Its flagship high-speed satellite Internet service is HughesNet®, the world's largest satellite network with over 1.3 million residential and business customers across North and South America. For large enterprises and governments, the company's HughesON™ managed network services provide complete connectivity solutions employing an optimized mix of satellite and terrestrial technologies. The JUPITER™ System is the world's most widely deployed High-Throughput Satellite (HTS) platform, operating on more than 20 satellites by leading service providers, delivering a wide range of broadband enterprise, mobility and cellular backhaul applications. To date, Hughes has shipped more than 7 million terminals of all types to customers in over 100 countries, representing approximately 50 percent market share, and its technology is powering broadband services to aircraft around the world.

Headquartered outside Washington, D.C., in Germantown, Maryland, USA, Hughes operates sales and support offices worldwide, and is a wholly owned subsidiary of EchoStar Corporation (NASDAQ: SATS), a premier global provider of satellite operations. For additional information about Hughes, please visit www.hughes.com and follow [@HughesConnects](#) on Twitter.

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