

**WIRELESS QUICK FACTS**

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<b>Topic</b>	<b>Statistic</b>
Wireless Subscribers at Year-End 2005 <sup>1</sup>	207.9 million U.S. Subscribers
Wireless Penetration	69 % of total U.S. Population
Wireless-Only Households <sup>2</sup>	6 % of U.S. Households
Wireless Providers	More than 180 facilities-based carriers
Jobs	More than 233,000 direct carrier jobs
Annual Wireless Carrier Payroll <sup>3</sup>	More than \$10 billion in direct carrier wages
Total Annual Wireless Revenues	\$113.5 billion in 2005, up 11 % from \$102 billion in 2004
Annual Wireless Data Revenues	\$8.6 billion in 2005, up 86.4 % from \$4.6 billion in 2004
Total Cumulative Capital Investment as of Year-End 2004	\$174 billion
Incremental Capital Investment in 2005	\$25.3 billion invested in 2005
Annual Minutes of Use (MOUs)	Customers used 1.5 trillion MOUs in 2005, up 36% from 1.1 trillion in 2004
Monthly SMS Messages	9.8 billion messages in the month of December 2005, up 109 % from 4.8 billion messages in December 2004
Six Month SMS Messages	48.7 billion SMS messages in the last six months of 2005, up 50 % from 32.5 billion in first six months of 2005, and up 97 % from 24.7 billion in last six months of 2004
Cell Sites	183,689
E 9-1-1 Calls <sup>4</sup>	More than 224,000 a day

<sup>1</sup> By the close of 2005, wireless subscriptions hit 2 billion on a worldwide basis, according to Informa Telecoms & Media.

<sup>2</sup> Tenth Report, Implementation of Section 6002(b) of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993; Annual Report and Analysis of Competitive Market Conditions With Respect to Commercial Mobile Services, WT Docket No. 05-71, FCC 05-173, released Sept. 30, 2005, at page 73.

<sup>3</sup> BLS Series data.

<sup>4</sup> CTIA Wireless 9-1-1 and Distress Calls.

