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# South Africa 5g base station consultation



## Overview

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How is 5G deployment progressing in South Africa?

In South Africa, 5G deployment has been progressing steadily. Major telecom operators like Vodacom, MTN, and Rain have been rolling out 5G services across various cities 1 . )As to SA 5G networks, the deployment is still in the early stages.

Which companies are deploying 5G in South Africa?

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Is South Africa ready for 5G?

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Does Gauteng have 5G?

In 2022, nationally, 5G coverage stood at 20%, however, by 2023, it surged to 38.42%, marking a substantial increase within a year. As of 2023, in respect to urban population coverage, Gauteng was the most widely covered province with 69% 5G coverage and the Free State province the lowest with 17%. 2.

Will South Africa ban Chinese 5G technology?

Regulatory Responses 14 : The South African government and regulatory bodies like ICASA have been cautious but have not imposed outright bans on Chinese technology. Instead, they focus on ensuring that all 5G equipment

meets stringent security standards.

Are there cybersecurity concerns about 5G technology in South Africa?

There have been several comments and concerns regarding 5G cybersecurity and the use of Chinese technology, particularly from Huawei, in South Africa:  
Security Concerns 13 : There are significant concerns about the potential cybersecurity risks associated with using Huawei technology.

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