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What is Austrian Communications 5G base station



Overview

Will Austria start a 5G network in 2022?

Austria already looks set to advance with standalone (SA) 5G networks, with Drei Austria recently announcing a trial in the capital Vienna and plans to launch a commercial 5G SA network in spring 2022. Notably, operators have complained that the high cost of mobile mast rental has slowed 5G rollout.

What is a 5G NR base station?

It facilitates communication between user equipment (UE), such as smartphones and IoT devices, and the core network. Unlike LTE base stations (eNodeBs), 5G NR base stations are designed to handle the enhanced requirements of 5G, such as high throughput, network slicing, and support for multiple frequency bands.

How many 5G base stations are there in China?

In data collected between July 2022 and June 2024, China was reported to have had around 3.5 million 5G base stations installed across the country, with Chinese mobile operators investing heavily in 5G infrastructure. By comparison, the European Union had around 460,000 thousand base stations, while the United States had approximately 175,000.

How fast is Drei Austria's 5G network in Q1-Q2 2021?

Within the capital Vienna, Drei Austria's 5G network showed the fastest performance during Q1-Q2 2021 achieving a median download speed of 193.66 Mbps. Austria has clearly seen a ramp up in mobile network speeds with the arrival of 5G. We'll be interested to see if other providers make the necessary investments to catch up to Drei.

Is Austria a pioneering 5G market?

Austria has been held up as an example of a pioneer European 5G-market, having announced its 5G Strategy in April 2018, which has since been

incorporated in the nation's Broadband Strategy 2030.

How does a 5G base station work?

5G base stations operate by using multiple input and multiple output (MIMO) antennas to send and receive more data simultaneously compared to previous generations of mobile networks. They are designed to handle the increased data traffic and provide higher speeds by operating in higher frequency bands, such as the millimeter-wave spectrum.

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