

Eight out of ten households in Romania had home internet network in 2020

Over three quarters of the total number of households in Romania (78.2%) had access, in 2020, to the home internet network, more by 2.5 percentage points compared to the previous year, according to data published on Friday by the National Institute of Statistics (INS).

In this growth margin, the proportion of people aged 16 to 74 who have ever used the Internet was 85.9%, by 3.6 percentage points more than in 2019.

According to the same source, out of the total number of households with access to the home internet network, 84.4% were from urban areas, while in rural areas the share was 69.7%.

In terms of territory, internet connection was more widespread among households in the Bucharest-Ilfov region (over 8 out of 9 households), followed by the West (84.9%) and North-West (81.9%) regions. At the other end, with the lowest shares, were the regions South-East (72.4%), North-East (73.6%) and South-Muntenia (74.3%).

INS data show that 77.5% of the types of connection used to access the Internet at home are fixed broadband (fixed broadband connections), followed by mobile broadband connections (66.3%) and narrowband connections (13.3%). , 6%).

Of the current users, eight out of ten (79.1%) used the Internet on a daily or near-daily basis in 2020, up 2.1 percentage points from the previous year (79.1% compared to 77%).

At the same time, by development regions, the share of people who have ever used the Internet was 94.1% in Bucharest - Ilfov. High values were also recorded in the regions: West (93%) and North - West (89.6%). On the other hand, the South-Muntenia region registered a lower share, of 80.5%.

The proportion of men who use or have ever used the Internet is slightly higher than that of women, respectively 87% compared to 84.9%, the difference being 2.1 percentage points, decreasing compared to the previous year when there was a gap of 2, 5 percentage points.

Also, last year, the share of people in the 16-34 age group using the Internet was 96.6%, while for the 55-74 age group, the proportion reached only 65.4%.