



## PRESS RELEASE

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### FREE FIBER

AVAILABLE ON

THE **MANCHE NUMÉRIQUE** PUBLIC INITIATIVE NETWORK ("PIN")

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH 



**Free's fiber offer is now available** to homes in the Manche region covered by the Public Initiative Network ("PIN") rolled out by **Manche Numérique** and operated by **Manche Fibre**.

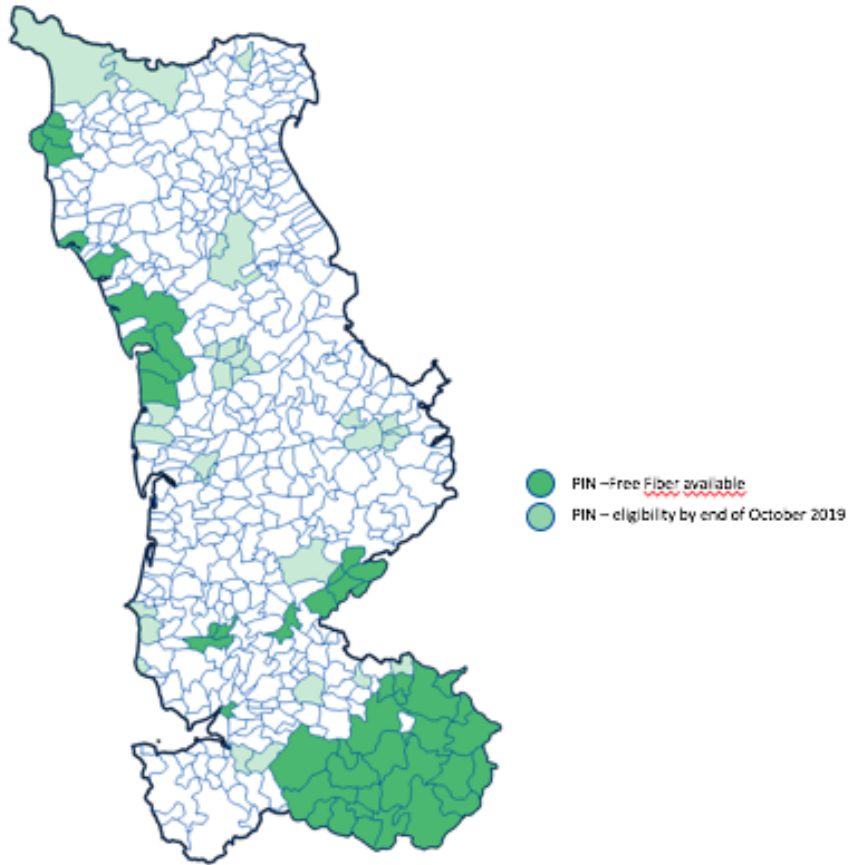
This new availability confirms Free's commitment to the rollout of fiber throughout France and is in line with its aim of having a presence on Public Initiative Networks.

**Free's fiber offer is therefore now available to over 20,000 homes** in 35 municipalities already served by Manche Fibre in the region. Over half of this eligibility is concentrated on **Barneville-Carteret, Les Pieux, Sourdeval, Périers, Saint Hilaire du Harcouët, Lessay, Pirou, Créances and Villedieu Les Poêles - Rouffigny**

A second rollout phase is planned within the next two months, which will enable Free Fiber to be marketed to **46,000 additional homes**, including in the towns of **Saint-Lô and Cherbourg-en Cotentin**.

Free's fiber offering will subsequently also be available in all of the municipalities where Manche Numérique will be launching rollouts in the near future.

**Map of municipalities covered by Free Fiber via the Manche Numérique network as at end-August:**



Free’s presence on the Manche-Numérique network further illustrates its objective of offering fiber services throughout France and of being able to propose a fiber offer to French consumers costing from €14.99 per month for 12 months (and then €34.99/month).

In addition, **Free is the only operator to offer 10G-EPON fiber technology**<sup>1</sup> (subject to the subscriber having a compatible offer and Freebox).

As from today, **people living in the Manche region** can check their eligibility and subscribe for Free Fiber at **www.free.fr** or on **1033** (a freephone number dedicated to Free Fiber).

Freebox ADSL subscribers eligible for Free Fiber will be contacted by Free with a proposal to migrate their offer, which will be carried out by a technician in their home. The fiber optic installation will be provided at no cost to subscribers.



**No.1 ALTERNATIVE FTTH OPERATOR**

**No. 1 FOR FIBER SPEEDS**  
IN H1 2019  
(SOURCE: NPERF)\*

**10.5 MILLION CONNECTIBLE SOCKETS**

**1.1 MILLION FIBER SUBSCRIBERS**

\* nPerf survey for landline Internet connections in Metropolitan France published on July 24, 2019: Free was no. 1 in terms of average fiber (FTTH) download speed (457.21 Mbps) and upload speed (292.67 Mbps) in Metropolitan France in H1 2019. Average calculated based on 542,456 tests carried out between January 1, 2019 and June 30, 2019 on fiber-optic networks (FTTH) by users of the nPerf tool. See nPerf.com for the full survey and the methodology used.

## About Free

Free – an Iliad Group subsidiary – is the inventor of the Freebox, the first multiservice box on ADSL. Free is behind numerous innovations in the Broadband and Ultra-Fast Broadband access segment. Since January 2012, Free has brought mobile phone usage within everyone's reach with straightforward offerings at very attractive prices. As at March 31, 2019, Free had nearly 20 million subscribers in France (6.4 million Broadband and Ultra-Fast Broadband subscribers and 13.4 million mobile subscribers). On May 29, 2018, the Group launched its mobile network in Italy under the Iliad brand, becoming the country's fourth operator, and had over 3.3 million subscribers at March 31, 2019.

## About Manche Fibre

Manche Fibre – a subsidiary of the Altitude Infrastructure Group – is responsible for marketing, operating and maintaining the Manche Numérique network. At the end of the first rollout phase, this network will provide fiber coverage to 170,000 homes and businesses. On completion of the overall project, the whole Manche region will have FTTH coverage, representing a total of 300,000 sockets. [www.manche-fibre.fr](http://www.manche-fibre.fr) .

*Fiber offer subject to conditions, eligibility and actual connection of the subscriber's home. See [free.fr](http://free.fr) for full terms and conditions and eligibility.*

*Connectible FTTH socket: a socket for which the link between the shared access point and the optical splitter has been put in place by the building operator, which the Group can access in accordance with its co-financing commitments, and for which the connection to the Group's network has been completed or is in progress.*

*Freebox mini 4K offer: €14.99/month for 12 months then €34.99/month, 1-year commitment. Start-up fee: €49. Termination fee: €49.*

*1033: freephone number (access & call), France only.*

*<sup>1</sup>10G-EPON fiber technology: maximum theoretical speeds of 8 Gbps download and 600 Mbps upload, subject to use of compatible equipment.*