

## High-speed Internet Observatory – 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 2008 Provisional results

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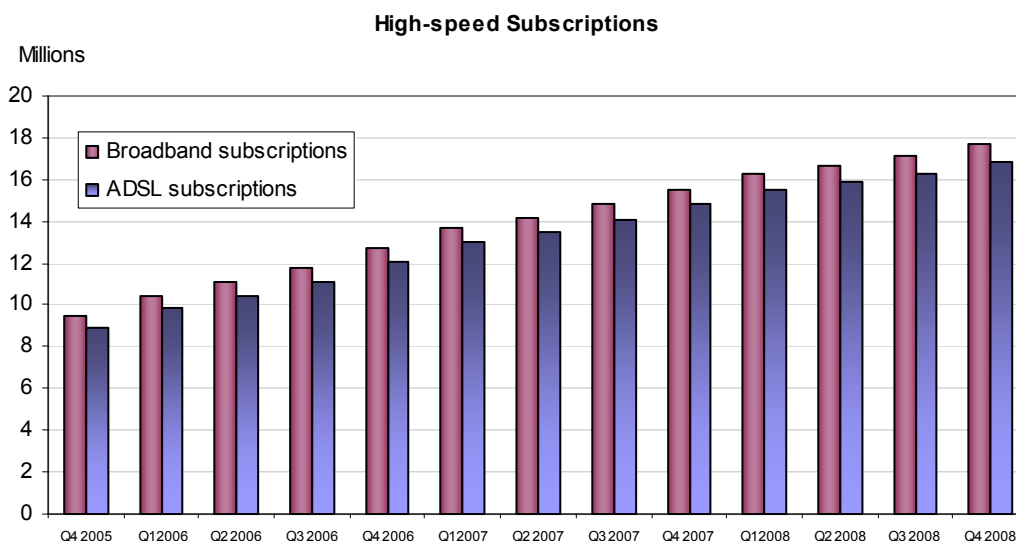
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### 1) High-speed Internet figures for the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2008 – provisional results

Millions of units, at end of quarter	Q4 2007	Q1 2008	Q2 2008	Q3 2008	Q4 2008*
<b>Number of high-speed subscriptions</b>	<b>15,551</b>	<b>16,245</b>	<b>16,672</b>	<b>17,163</b>	<b>17,725</b>
Number of ADSL subscriptions	14,805	15,473	15,856	16,299	16,825
<i>Changes of the number of high-speed subscriptions</i>					
Millions of units over one year	2,856	2,569	2,502	2,351	2,175
% over one year	22,5%	18,8%	17,7%	15,9%	14%

\*rounded-off

At 31 December 2008, there were 17.725 million subscriptions to high-speed internet in France, of which 16.825 million subscriptions were ADSL. The number of ADSL subscriptions increased by about 560 000 throughout the quarter (+3%). The increase is about 2.175 million over one year (14%).



### 2) Methodology notes

- These figures are provisional. They are based on data received from major Internet access providers (IAPs). Missing data is sometimes replaced with estimates.  
The data published are round to about twenty five thousand lower or higher nearest, that is to say a margin of rounded more or less 12.500.  
ARCEP will publish the final results for the fourth quarter in its Market Observatory on 29 April 2009.
- The number of Internet subscriptions refers to xDSL access, cable modem, optical fiber, WLL, satellite and wifi.
- The number of Internet subscriptions take both into account residential and companies subscriptions.
- Data refers to Metropolitan France and the overseas “départements”.