

The two largest nationwide wireless phone carriers in the U.S. Verizon Wireless and AT&T Mobility now have free WIFI services. On December 15, 2009 Verizon introduced another way for its wireless customers to connect to the Internet using WIFI hotspots in the United States, Canada and Mexico using Verizon's WIFI service. Verizon's WIFI service is similar to what AT&T offers its customers. These services allow carriers to offload PC traffic from their networks to free up space from smart-phones.

This amounts to a good news-bad news proposition for consumers considering the news that Verizon Wireless now intends to discontinue grandfathered unlimited data plans completely and force users when upgrading their phones to a limited tiered plan as these consumers can avoid going over their data caps by using free WIFI service that is unlimited. Also worth noting that data caps when not applied equally to all services is discriminatory. In Comcast's case for example they should apply their data cap equally to XFINITY TV or not have a data cap at all. Similarly wireless carriers should discontinue these Internet Overcharging schemes and restore unlimited data. I urge the FCC to reject the Verizon SpectrumCo deals due to the massive spectrum concentration, the proposed auction to alleviate those concerns threatening interoperability , that spectrum's interference problems and the joint operating entity agreements being collusive. Finally I urge the FCC to implement AWS Service Rules for holders of AWS spectrum, to investigate discriminatory data caps that violate Net Neutrality, enforce Net Neutrality and forbid carriers and wire-line providers from instituting discriminatory data caps. Ideally there should be no cap at all. Thanks for reading my comments.