

Apple's Face Time video chat application will soon be able to work over cellular connections with the launch of iOS 6 this Fall and without a doubt the Big 2 wireless carriers AT&T and Verizon Wireless will argue that they need more spectrum to ensure users on their networks will be able to use Face Time completely but considering Skype has been available via both WIFI and 3G cellular connections for some time. Of course initially Skype was limited to WIFI except for jail-breaking iPhone users wanting cellular access but eventually for the non jail-breaking users cellular access arrived. Also the Big 2 wireless giants have sufficient wireless spectrum already – the smaller carriers need more spectrum to deploy 4G LTE networks including Sprint Nextel which is transitioning from an existing 4G network using Wi-Max to LTE and T-Mobile USA from 4G HSPA+ to LTE. Also Apple's Messages app for iMessages and regular SMS texts, apps like Facebook Messenger for iOS as well as Android and Blackberry Messenger specifically for Blackberry devices have eaten into carrier's SMS revenues with iMessages and Blackberry Messenger messages etc nevertheless the large carriers have enough spectrum.