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I believe that an open internet is an important thing to society in America as well as around the world. By allowing ISPs to treat different types of data in different ways (i.e. the speed at which they are delivered), you are effectively throwing out several key principles of an open internet.

The first (and most important, in my opinion) is the security relating to the ISP determining the content, such that it can change the way it is handled. By allowing ISPs to open the packets in order to determine the content, you are allowing the ISP to see the private data that might be getting transferred.

The second principle is the fact that ISPs already have monopolies on their markets. If you wanted to allow ISPs to create different speeds for content, you should also ban ISPs from having exclusive contracts for the infrastructure that contents the citizens of a community with itself and others. For example, in Amsterdam, the city built the internet cable/fiber infrastructure and leases it out to multiple ISPs. This creates competition between the ISPs, forcing them to focus on ways to improve their service and their customer relations. Something that American ISPs are severely lacking in already.