



PRESS RELEASE

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In accordance with the agreement signed on December 18, 2020 between Free and the Syndicat Intercommunal d'Énergie et de Communication de l'Ain (**SIEA**), **Free Fiber is now available to homes in the Ain region** covered by the **Li@in** Public Initiative Network.

Free's arrival on this new network further demonstrates its commitment to the rollout of fiber throughout France in line with its aim of having a presence on the networks deployed in local communities.

Through the **SIEA's Li@in** network, Free is now offering its Fiber services to **25,000 homes** (both in apartments and houses) in the following 60 municipalities:

Divonne-les-Bains
Bellegarde-sur-Valserine
Collonges
Saint-Jean-de-Gonville
Péron
Challex
Saint-Cyr-sur-Menthon
Meillonas
Saint-Bernard
Château-Gaillard
Béligneux

Feillens
Nievroz
Injoux-Genissiat
Manziat
Val-Revermont
Echallon
Belmont-Luthézieu
Sault-Brenaz
Arbois en Bugey
Villebois
Pougny

Trévoux
Balan
Ambutrix
Saint-Maurice-de-Remens
Saint-Jean-sur-Reyssouze
Torcieu
Chanay
Saint-Jean-de-Thurigneux
Farges
Saint-Nizier-le-Désert
Courmangoux

Bâgé-Dommartin	Thil	Conzieu
Billiat	Talissieu	Prémeyzel
Grilly	Druillat	Dagneux
Belleydoux	Confort	Ambléon
Priay	Sainte-Euphémie	Plagne
Apremont	Giron	La Burbanche
Villes	Saint-Sorlin-en-Bugey	Reyrieux
Samognat	Virieu-le-Petit	Souclin
Saint-Germain-les-Paroisses	Saint-Genis-sur-Menthon	Asnières-sur-Saône

In three months' time, Free Fiber will be available to over **60,000 homes already covered by the Li@in network.**

In addition to its presence on this network, Free's Fiber offerings are already available to all the homes covered by fiber in the medium-populated areas (AMII¹) of the Ain region, i.e. 58,000 homes in the agglomerations of Bourg-en-Bresse, Oyonnax and Ambérieu en Bugey.

In total, by the end of the year, Free Fiber will be available to over **180,000 homes in the Ain region.**

Free's partnership with the **Li@in** network illustrates its aim of offering fiber services throughout France and being able to propose a fiber plan to French consumers through the **Freebox Pop** (€29.99/month for 12 months, then €39.99/month).

In all of the above areas, businesses covered by the FTTH networks and interested in Fiber are eligible for the **Free Pro** offer on <https://pro.free.fr/>.

Additionally, Free is the only operator in France to offer **10G-EPON fiber technology²** (subject to the subscriber having a compatible plan and Freebox).

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

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21 MILLION
CONNECTIBLE SOCKETS



3 MILLION
FIBER SUBSCRIBERS

*According to the nPerf survey for landline Internet connections in Metropolitan France published on January 8, 2021: Free was no.1 in terms of average fiber (FTTH) download speed (484.79 Mbps) in Metropolitan France in 2020. Average calculated based on 2,219,835 tests carried out between January 1, 2020 et December 31, 2020 on fiber-optic networks (FTTH) by users of the nPerf tool. See nPerf.com for the full survey and the methodology used.
Number of connectible sockets and number of Fiber subscribers as of March 31, 2021.

¹ AMII areas: medium-populated areas of France in which fiber networks are rolled out using private funds, following calls for expressions of investment intentions ("*appels à manifestation d'intentions d'investissement*").

² 10G-EPON fiber technology: maximum theoretical speeds of 8 Gbps download and 700 Mbps upload, subject to use of compatible devices.

About Free

Free – the inventor of the world's first triple-play box – is a Fixed and Mobile Ultra-Fast Broadband operator in France, standing out for its innovative, straightforward and attractive offerings. At end-March 2021, it had over 20 million BtoC subscribers (13.4 million Mobile subscribers and 6.8 million Fixed subscribers). Free is a subsidiary of the iliad Group, which was created in France in the early 1990s and now also operates in Italy under the iliad brand and in Poland under the Play brand. In March 2021, the iliad Group launched its BtoB business in France under the Free Pro brand.

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Fiber offer subject to conditions, eligibility and actual connection of the subscriber's home. See 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.

Start-up fee: €49. Termination fee: €49.

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

Freebox ADSL unbundled 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 installation is provided at no cost to the subscriber.