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Highlights on Telecom Subscription Data as on 31st October 2012

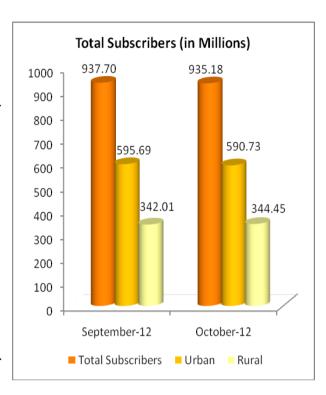
Particulars	Wireless	Wireline	Total Wireless + Wireline
Total Subscribers (Millions)	904.23	30.95	935.18
Total Net Monthly Addition (Millions)	-2.39	-0.14	-2.52
Monthly Growth (%)	-0.26%	-0.44%	-0.27%
Urban Subscribers (Millions)	566.81	23.92	590.73
Urban Subscribers Net Monthly Addition (Millions)	-4.88	-0.07	-4.95
Monthly Growth (%)	-0.85%	-0.29%	-0.83%
Rural Subscribers (Millions)	337.42	7.03	344.45
Rural Subscribers Net Monthly Addition (Millions)	2.50	-0.07	2.43
Monthly Growth (%)	0.75%	-0.92%	0.71%
Overall Teledensity*	74.21	2.54	76.75
Urban Teledensity*	153.06	6.46	159.52
Rural Teledensity*	39.78	0.83	40.61
Share of Urban Subscribers	62.68%	77.29%	63.17%
Share of Rural Subscribers	37.32%	22.71%	36.83%

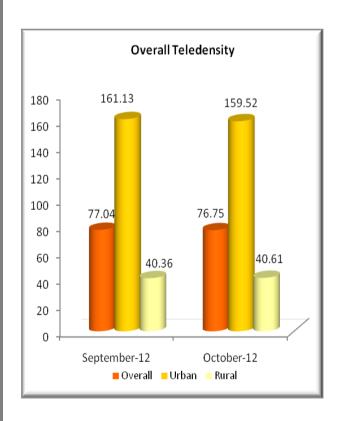
- ❖ Mobile Number Portability requests increased from 69.78 million subscribers at the end of September 2012 to 75.14 million at the end of October 2012. In the month of October 2012 alone, 5.36 million requests have been made for MNP.
- ❖ Active wireless subscribers on the date of Peak VLR in October 2012 are 703.92 Million, 77.85% of the total subscribers.
- ❖ Broadband subscription reached 14.81 million in October 2012 from 14.68 million in September 2012. (See Pg. 12)

^{*} Based on the population projections from Census data published by the Office of Registrar General & Census Commissioner of India.

I. Total Telephone Subscribers

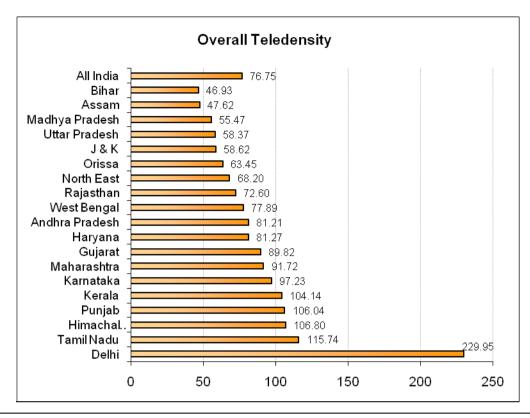
The number of telephone subscribers in India decreased to 935.18 million at the end of October, 2012 from 937.70 million at the end of September 2012, thereby registering a monthly growth rate of -0.27%. The share of urban subscribers has declined to 63.17% from 63.53% whereas share of rural subscribers has increased to 36.83% in the month of October 2012. With this, the overall Teledensity in India reached 76.75 at the end of October, 2012 from 77.04 of the previous month.





Subscription in the urban areas decreased from 595.69 million in September, 2012 to 590.73 million at end 2012. the of October, Subscription in rural areas increased from 342.01 million to 344.45 million during the same period. The monthly growth rate of urban and rural subscription is -0.83% and 0.71% respectively. The overall urban Teledensity has decreased from 161.13 to 159.52 and Rural Teledensity increased from 40.36 to 40.61.

Overall Teledensity (Circle Wise)

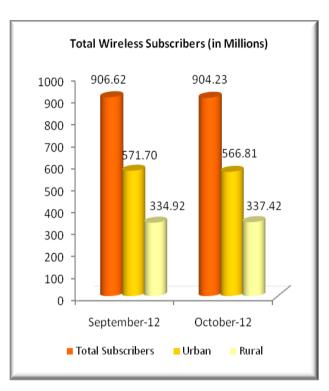


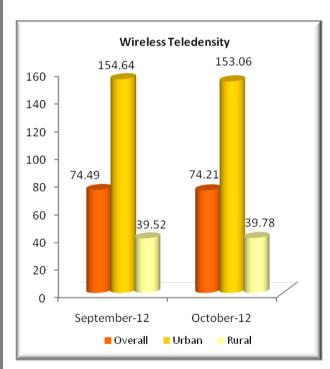
Notes:

- 1. Population data/Projections are available state wise only.
- 2. Teledensity figures are derived from the subscriber data provided by the operators and the population projections published by the Office of the Registrar General & Census Commissioner, India.
- 3. Delhi Service area, apart from the State of Delhi, includes wireless subscribers of the areas served by the local exchanges of Ghaziabad & Noida (in UP) and Gurgaon & Faridabad (in Haryana). West Bengal service area includes Kolkata, Maharashtra includes Mumbai and Tamil Nadu includes Chennai

II. Wireless Segment (GSM, CDMA & FWP)

Total wireless subscriber base decreased from 906.62 million in September 2012 to 904.23 million at the end of October 2012, registering a monthly growth of -0.26%. decline is due to large scale disconnections by some of the service providers. The share of wireless subscribers has decreased from 63.06 % to 62.68% where as share of rural wireless subscribers has increased from 36.94% to 37.32%. The overall wireless Teledensity in India has reached 74.21.

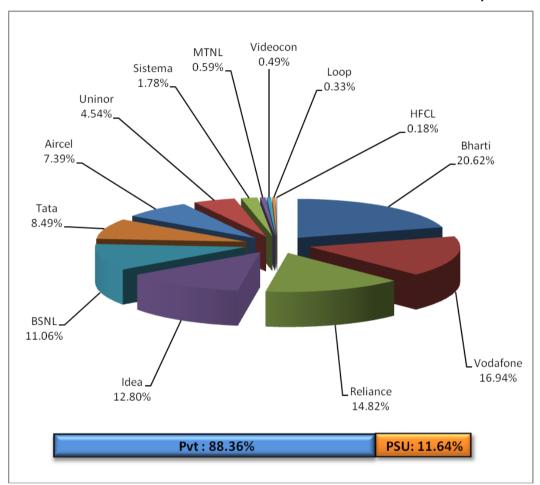




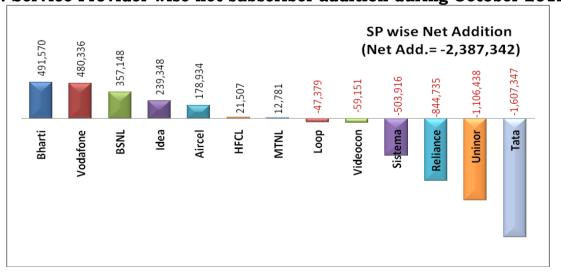
• Wireless subscription in urban areas decreased from 571.70 million in September 2012 to 566.81 million at the end of Octoberber 2012. The wireless subscription in rural areas increased from 334.92 million to 337.42 million during the same period. The urban wireless Teledensity has decreased from 154.64 to 153.06 and rural Teledensity has increased from 39.52 to 39.78. Detailed statistics is at Annexure I.

• Private operators hold 88.36% of the wireless market share (based on subscriber base) where as BSNL and MTNL, the two PSU operators hold only 11.64% market share. The graphical presentations of market shares and shares in net additions of all the service providers during the month of October, 2012 are given below:

A. Service Provider wise Market Share as on 31st October, 2012.



B. Service Provider wise net subscriber addition during October 2012

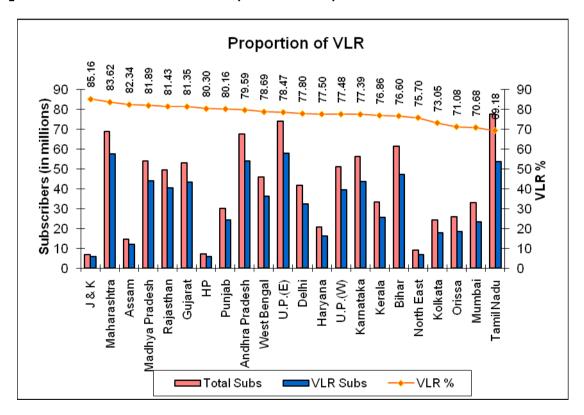


III. VLR Data

Out of the total 904.32 million wireless subscribers, 703.92* million were active on the date of Peak VLR for the month of October 2012. The proportion of VLR subscribers is approximately 77.85% of the total wireless subscriber base reported by the service providers.

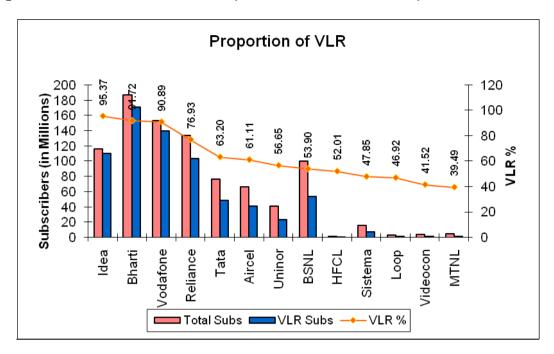
Circle-wise, J&K has the highest proportion of VLR subscribers with 85.16% followed by Maharashtra (83.62%) and Assam (82.34%); Tamil Nadu (including Chennai) has the lowest proportion with 69.18%. Service Provider wise, Idea leads the tally with 95.37% followed by Bharti (91.72%). The detailed statistics of proportionate VLR is at Annexure II & methodology used for reporting subscriber base/active subscribers is at Annexure IV.

Proportion of VLR subscribers (Circle wise)



^{*} The total active VLR number excludes the CDMA VLR figure of M/s BSNL as the service provider has not provided the VLR figures of their total CDMA subscriber base of 3.13 million.

Proportion of VLR subscribers (Service Provider wise)



Service Provider wise growth in subscriber base (August-September 2012).



IV. Mobile Number Portability

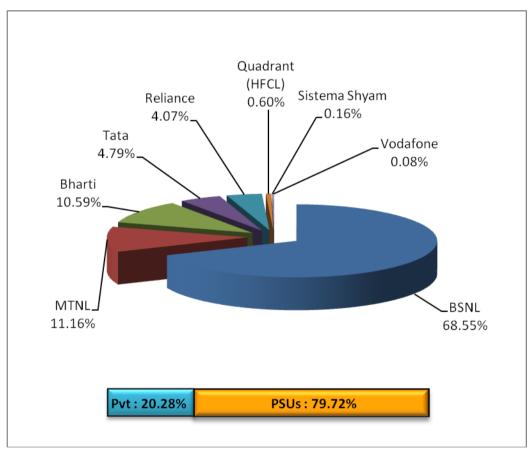
As per the data reported by the service providers, by the end of October 2012 about 75.14 million subscribers have submitted their requests to different service providers for porting their mobile number. In MNP Zone-I (Northern & Western India) maximum number of requests have been received in Rajasthan (7.15 million) followed by Maharashtra (6.51 million) whereas in MNP Zone-II (Southern & Eastern) maximum number of requests have been received in Karnataka (9.37 million) followed by Andhra Pradesh Service area (7.02 million). In the month of September 2012, total number of subscribers who have submitted their request for MNP is 5.36 million. The status of MNP requests in various service areas is given below:

Service Area V	Wise MNP Status	at the end of Octob	er 2012				
Zone -	1	Zone - 2					
Service Area	Number of Porting Requests	Service Area	Number of Porting Requests				
Delhi	2463886	Andhra Pradesh	7018873				
Gujarat	6486707	Assam	300335				
Himachal Pradesh	300612	Bihar	1509367				
Haryana	2775203	Karnataka	9365006				
Jammu & Kashmir	10249	Kerala	3117114				
Maharashtra	6506491	Kolkata	1336021				
Mumbai	2649576	Madhya Pradesh	4415524				
Punjab	2491073	North East	131861				
Rajasthan	7153325	Orissa	1754393				
Uttar Pradesh - East	4575218	Tamil Nadu	4630205				
Uttar Pradesh - West	4204706	West Bengal	1943630				
Total	39,617,046	Total	35,522,329				
Total (Zone-1 + Zone-2)			75,139,375				
Net Addition (in October 2012)			5,361,124				

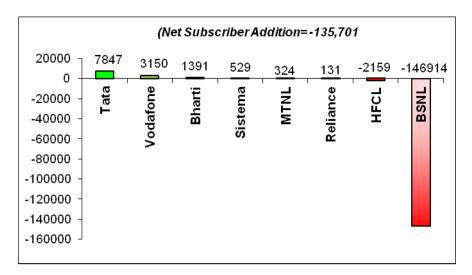
V. Wireline Segment

Wireline subscriber base declined from 31.08 million at the end of September 2012 to 30.95 Million at the end of October 2012. Net reduction in wireline subscriber base was 0.14 million. The share of urban subscribers has increased from 77.17% to 77.29% where as share of rural subscribers has declined from 22.83% to 22.71%. The overall wireline Teledensity has marginally decreased from 2.55 in September 2012 to 2.54 in October 2012, with urban and rural Teledensity being 6.46 and 0.83 respectively. BSNL and MTNL, the two PSU operators hold 79.93% of the Wireline market share. Detailed statistics is at Annexure-III. The graphical presentation of market share of all service providers as on 31st October 2012 is given below:

A. Service Provider wise Market Share as on 31st October 2012



B. Wireline Service Provider wise Net addition during October 2012:



VI. Category wise Growth

• As can be seen from the following tables, while the Circles in Category Metro show the highest reduction and highest rate of decline in the wireless sector from September 2012 to October 2012. In wireline segment, the Circles in Category B have shown the highest reduction in subscriber base while Category C has shown the highest monthly rate of reduction.

Category wise Net Additions and subscriber base

Category	Net Addition month of Oc		Subscriber Base as on 31st October, 2012				
	Wireline	Wireless	Wireline	Wireless			
Circle A	-34062	664156	12233846	323019111			
Circle B	-63886	-1090710	9762454	357791748			
Circle C	-39552	266516	1867385	124729585			
Metro	1799	-2227304	7083937	98688834			
All India	-135,701	-2,387,342	30,947,622	904,229,278			

Category-wise Growth Rate in Access Service

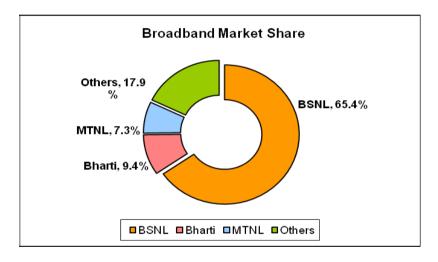
Category		ate of Growth to Oct-2012)	Yearly rate of growth (Oct-2011 to Oct-2012)					
	Wireline	Wireless	Wireline	Wireless				
Circle A	-0.28%	0.21%	-6.21%	3.99%				
Circle B	-0.65%	-0.30%	-8.83%	2.91%				
Circle C	-2.07%	0.21%	-15.76%	3.70%				
Metro	0.03%	-2.21%	-1.90%	-4.04%				
All India	-0.44%	-0.26%	-6.76%	2.59%				

• Metros indicate data for Delhi, Mumbai & Kolkata. Data for Chennai service area has been included in Circle A, as part of TN

VII. <u>Broadband</u> (≥ 256 Kbps download)

Total Broadband subscriber base has increased from 14.68° million at the end of September 2012 to 14.81° million at the end of October 2012, there by showing a monthly growth of 0.89%. Yearly growth in broadband subscribers is 14.10% during the last one year (October 2011 to October 2012).

As on 31st October 2012, there are 157 Internet Service Providers (ISPs) which are providing broadband services in the country. Out of this only 113 ISPs have provided data for the month of October 2012, for the rest of the ISPs data from previous month has been retained (Data from top 10 ISPs, which constitute 92.6% of the total subscriber base, have been received for the month of October 2012). Top five ISPs in terms of market share (based on subscriber base) are: BSNL (9.69 million), Bharti Airtel (1.39 million), MTNL (1.08 million), Hathway (0.37 million) and Tikona (0.30 million).



^ Hotspot users of M/s YOU Broadband have been excluded from Broadband Subscriber Base figures for the month of July 2012 and onwards. These users are akin to cybercafé users who access the internet through Wi-Fi hotspots at public places for short durations.

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Note: Information in this Press Release is based on the data provided by the Service Providers.

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	Bha	arti	Relia	ince	Voda	fone	Tat	ta	lde	ea	Aircel/Dishnet	
Circle	Sep-12	Oct-12	Sep-12	Oct-12	Sep-12	Oct-12	Sep-12	Oct-12	Sep-12	Oct-12	Sep-12	Oct-12
Andhra Pradesh	18693692	18664368	8045285	8002795	6398393	6572400	7889542	7803128	10728762	10864005	1975021	2016909
Assam	3875298	3806523	3247231	3070779	2319970	2281586	128314	127308	372559	383281	3778274	3737826
Bihar	18047516	18145604	8758805	9276284	6502289	6507175	4321480	4217426	5494988	5525844	5288139	5214000
Delhi	9105718	9138279	8489637	8224160	8749701	8719851	4051470	3973356	4801988	4766222	2928704	2990952
Gujarat	7196491	7162358	7575497	7560944	16241892	16377278	3464499	3336164	8216677	8226567	791597	769854
Haryana	2338293	2322974	2592520	2639055	4492681	4507006	2806789	2789193	3687543	3660888	652062	633810
Himachal Pradesh	1907002	1928013	1559429	1579887	483741	488854	259023	227142	482365	485172	720753	754223
J & K	2269768	2283837	597315	604474	685776	673574	113194	103060	201974	201913	1770577	1777157
Karnataka	16162382	16259616	7329696	7438197	6860316	6967030	7387161	7341658	6225658	6145547	1485942	1601263
Kerala	3506105	3468108	3449810	3468454	6062344	6111123	2257475	2208340	7712256	7733172	1777913	1772550
Kolkata	3754168	3723846	5223735	4835644	4304010	4251434	3048968	3016411	1355899	1295047	1884904	1881370
Madhya Pradesh	9928758	9925100	12943010	13485478	4498480	4645612	4463235	4294333	14429519	14577848	986875	916383
Maharashtra	10007457	10050815	8574645	9016052	13290535	13325595	7082709	6925275	15219023	15274196	1191470	1169434
Mumbai	3587060	3614176	7280826	6404011	6061281	6095286	4070004	3844411	2953838	2981981	1413290	1467470
North East	2519084	2527523	1110159	859619	980574	989146	80105	79806	250036	269818	2495094	2477056
Orissa	6622129	6712352	4377698	4561868	2814753	2901591	2481142	2451442	1011626	1040603	2894773	2954938
Punjab	6894188	6932059	3292577	3194487	4459595	4493242	2755698	2687398	5599541	5615035	1117329	1112643
Rajasthan	14739264	14774736	6450463	6376040	9236120	9349880	3585454	3435305	4521563	4535892	2625234	2722770
Tamil Nadu (incl. Chennai	13695130	13691132	8027261	7850732	12339851	12266571	6248503	6435666	2284356	2276769	22235152	22128538
U.P.(E)	15081912	15144585	10943984	10576542	14820952	14734020	4629635	4430237	7237189	7184863	3398510	3488852
U.P.(W)	6677180	6685366	7808720	7629277	9352384	9348390	4624780	4538806	10265870	10216600	2153133	2163350
West Bengal	9313894	9452689	7170932	7349721	11709129	11538459	2606399	2482367	2411507	2442822	3042615	3034947
Total	185922489	186414059	134849235	134004500	152664767	153145103	78355579	76748232	115464737	115704085	66607361	66786295
Net Addition		491570		-844735		480336		-1607347		239348		178934

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	BSI	NL	MTI	NL	Unir	nor	Siste	ema	Loop		Videocon	
Circle	Sep-12	Oct-12	Sep-12	Oct-12	Sep-12	Oct-12	Sep-12	Oct-12	Sep-12	Oct-12	Sep-12	Oct-12
Andhra Pradesh	9154603	9185172	0	0	3996512	3709583	700753	713417	0	0	9763	9763
Assam	1267958	1246742	0	0	673	771	1286	1292	0	0	0	0
Bihar	6067495	6070591	0	0	4942685	4810239	1633546	1628575	0	0	18726	18724
Delhi	0	0	2582787	2596110	0	0	1261197	1138572	0	0	0	0
Gujarat	4216537	4224378	0	0	4054136	4151119	238828	246130	0	0	950766	934806
Haryana	3073463	3071973	0	0	461	450	231421	190479	0	0	849452	843529
Himachal Pradesh	1543633	1562061	0	0	150	150	69	69	0	0	44589	44571
J&K	1150546	1166844	0	0	314	318	19	19	0	0	0	0
Karnataka	7026569	7056024	0	0	1098040	1079417	2392347	2393278	0	0	8189	8086
Kerala	7496684	7536942	0	0	404750	403410	614243	606598	0	0	49756	49714
Kolkata	2328283	2321808	0	0	2056696	1845537	910611	930056	0	0	4096	4096
Madhya Pradesh	4941372	4960987	0	0	1289	1325	2978	3026	0	0	941265	936822
Maharashtra	6540974	6651763	0	0	5399721	5621823	710690	725816	0	0	8814	8811
Mumbai	0	0	2711138	2710596	1795446	1815750	537860	497320	3028539	2981160	634284	623922
North East	1740227	1741387	0	0	94	91	176	176	0	0	0	0
Orissa	4470492	4471699	0	0	745951	727078	814	811	0	0	10673	10673
Punjab	4449876	4472721	0	0	434	431	1120	1149	0	0	0	0
Rajasthan	5788870	5909172	0	0	1037	1046	2473791	2306201	0	0	7619	7176
Tamil Nadu (incl. Chennai	9487722	9470325	0	0	1112982	1105503	1506155	1348628	0	0	876259	854413
U.P.(E)	10257908	10250635	0	0	7527122	7276098	672831	644131	0	0	14865	14862
U.P.(W)	4986563	4979866	0	0	4888479	4692000	698580	680299	0	0	5581	5578
West Bengal	3643432	3639265	0	0	4119373	3797768	2005219	2034576	0	0	16506	16506
Total	99633207	99990355	5293925	5306706	42146345	41039907	16594534	16090618	3028539	2981160	4451203	4392052
Net Addition		357148		12781		-1106438		-503916		-47379		-59151

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Circle	Sep-12	Oct-12	Sep-12	Oct-12	Sep-12	Oct-12	Sep-12	Oct-12	Net Add.
Andhra Pradesh	0	0	0	0	0	0	67592326	67541540	-50786
Assam	0	0	0	0	0	0	14991563	14656108	-335455
Bihar	0	0	0	0	0	0	61075669	61414462	338793
Delhi	0	0	0	0	0	0	41971202	41547502	-423700
Gujarat	0	0	0	0	0	0	52946920	52989598	42678
Haryana	0	0	0	0	0	0	20724685	20659357	-65328
Himachal Pradesh	0	0	0	0	0	0	7000754	7070142	69388
J&K	0	0	0	0	0	0	6789483	6811196	21713
Karnataka	0	0	0	0	0	0	55976300	56290116	313816
Kerala	0	0	0	0	0	0	33331336	33358411	27075
Kolkata	0	0	0	0	0	0	24871370	24105249	-766121
Madhya Pradesh	0	0	0	0	0	0	53136781	53746914	610133
Maharashtra	0	0	0	0	0	0	68026038	68769580	743542
Mumbai	0	0	0	0	0	0	34073566	33036083	-1037483
North East	0	0	0	0	0	0	9175549	8944622	-230927
Orissa	0	0	0	0	0	0	25430051	25833055	403004
Punjab	0	0	1604699	1626206	0	0	30175057	30135371	-39686
Rajasthan	0	0	0	0	0	0	49429415	49418218	-11197
Tamil Nadu (incl. Chennai	0	0	0	0	0	0	77813371	77428277	-385094
U.P.(E)	0	0	0	0	0	0	74584908	73744825	-840083
U.P.(W)	0	0	0	0	0	0	51461270	50939532	-521738
West Bengal	0	0	0	0	0	0	46039006	45789120	-249886
Total	0	0	1604699	1626206	0	0	906616620	904229278	-2387342
Net Addition		0		21507		0		-2387342	

		Proportio	on of VL	R on the	e date o	f Peak VI	LR in th	e month	of Oct,	2012 (%) Anno	exure-II				
Circle	Aircel	Bharti	BSNL (Except CDMA)	Etisalat	HFCL	ldea	Loop	MTNL	Reliance	S Tel	Sistema	Tata	Uninor	Videocon	Vodafone	Total
Andhra Pradesh	61.19	93.71	71.43	0.00		94.13			66.80		53.60	65.91	62.28	0.10	77.00	79.5
Assam	81.58	95.51	66.46			86.15			67.38		81.58	70.14			90.45	82.3
Bihar	49.00	95.21	33.82	0.00		98.58			82.62		34.30	56.41	56.69	0.95	98.04	76.6
Delhi	60.29	79.87		0.00		94.52		47.95	82.50		35.47	55.30			92.73	77.8
Gujarat	69.16	89.79	59.49	0.00		92.77			80.67		40.51	64.72	60.07	47.43	89.77	81.3
Haryana	48.25	93.87	50.23			94.96			75.31			68.52		42.48	92.93	77.50
Himachal Pradesh	59.07	95.10	68.86			96.98			78.13		242.03	59.05		6.99	98.26	80.30
J & K	87.83	94.90	72.64			89.23			64.92			74.14			85.44	85.16
Karnataka	41.97	95.32	52.58	0.00		91.88			73.60		55.55	67.81	0.11	0.05	84.61	77.39
Kerala	60.17	92.96	65.57	0.00		97.63			62.52		49.52	64.17	0.80	8.21	87.68	76.86
Kolkata	56.69	84.41	34.56			82.13			82.40		49.38	73.54	51.76		92.08	73.05
Madhya Pradesh	47.69	92.01	53.43	0.00		102.67			73.31		40.28	73.50		46.74	71.98	81.89
Maharashtra	55.58	86.10	69.92	0.00		98.40			78.22		53.26	74.72	60.89	0.69	93.65	83.62
Mumbai	54.07	89.70		0.00		84.62	46.92	31.39	87.32		28.53	59.58	48.66	46.66	87.63	70.68
North East	68.18	94.29	51.08			78.43			80.47			71.84			85.76	75.70
Orissa	51.92	95.03	56.87			73.04			67.54		88.16	64.89	0.95	0.03	85.00	71.08
Punjab	47.39	93.99	53.16	0.00	52.01	93.69			83.02		26.11	67.92			92.39	80.16
Rajasthan	82.81	91.80	47.89	0.00		103.57			79.63		49.29	61.18		1.28	91.77	81.43
Tamil Nadu	57.99	94.09	49.34	0.00		71.78			73.07		59.50	52.58	0.36	33.37	92.38	69.18
U.P.(E)	73.17	93.48	43.01	0.00		95.99			77.00		31.15	58.04	69.44	0.28	94.22	78.47
U.P.(W)	68.93	83.09	45.24	0.00		95.50			76.20		33.31	55.88	64.02	0.68	94.50	77.48
West Bengal	59.14	88.11	47.93			85.12			83.69		59.35	44.78	62.74	0.11	97.33	78.69
Total	61.11	91.72	53.90	0.00	52.01	95.37	46.92	39.49	76.93	0.00	47.85	63.20	56.65	41.52	90.89	77.8

					Wire	eline Sub	scriber B	Base									Annexure-	III	
						-		Gro	up										
	BS	NL	MT	NL	Bha	arti	Relia	ance	Та	ıta	Quadran	t (HFCL)	Sister	ma	Voda	fone	Tot	al	
Circle	Sep-12	Oct-12	Sep-12	Oct-12	Sep-12	Oct-12	Sep-12	Oct-12	Sep-12	Oct-12	Sep-12	Oct-12	Sep-12	Oct-12	Sep-12	Oct-12	Sep-12	Oct-12	Net Add.
Andhra Pradesh	1899997	1891887			125531	125582	88870	89249	170359	171299	0	0	0	0	3840	5280	2288597	2283297	-5300
Assam	195873	194835							2765	2769	0	0	0	0	0	30	198638	197634	-1004
Bihar	546547	542929					4802	4897	11118	11016	0	0	0	0	0	0	562467	558842	-3625
Delhi	0	0	1578914	1580868	1080689	1081183	184533	185210	85484	86187	0	0	0	0	6480	7020	2936100	2940468	4368
Gujarat	1558974	1558158			55335	55358	103907	102915	65953	67727	0	0	0	0	150	180	1784319	1784338	
Haryana	524784	521794			23916	23923	4982	5015	24700	25651	0	0	0	0	0	0	578382	576383	-1999
Himachal Pradesh	291091	289801					4462	4462	2166	2243	0	0	0	0	0	0	297719	296506	-1213
J&K	201151	200044							353	378	0	0	0	0	Ŭ	0	201504	200422	-1082
Karnataka	1722087	1718284			491187	491394	111207	111876	133810	135636	0	0	0	0	2760	2760	2461051	2459950	-1101
Kerala	3013134	3000880			55848	55868	56031	55377	12411	12413	0	0	0	0	0		3137424	3124538	-12886
Kolkata	946547	943859			93790	93833	80633	80955	34456	34862	0	0	0	0	1020	1080	1156446	1154589	-1857
Madhya Pradesh	835738	834907			241505	241604	29532	29047	13910	14260	0	0	0	0	60	60	1120745	1119878	
Maharashtra	2157874	2138084			70234	70263	102379	102500	241645	242713	0	0	0	0	480	990	2572612	2554550	-18062
Mumbai	0	0	1874897	1873267	331357	331493	233431	234133	543667	543477	0	0	0	0	6240	6510	2989592	2988880	-712
North East	249688	218355					0	0	243	242	0	0	0	0	0	0	249931	218597	-31334
Orissa	385444	384299					3486	3517	7568	7388	0	0	0	0	180	180	396678	395384	-1294
Punjab	1067742	1060298			105809	105850	27770	27399	15690	15778	188934	186775	0	0	240	240	1406185	1396340	-9845
Rajasthan	987884	980463			39320	39335	26081	25458	6694	6735	0	0	48876	49405		210	1109035	1101606	
Tamil Nadu (incl. Chennai	2454009	2443797			485316	485512	148400	148323	72374	72699	0	0	0	0	1230	1380	3161329	3151711	-9618
U.P.(E)	977493	961833			50492	50513	39956	40172	13379	13296	0	0	0	0	270	360	1081590	1066174	
U.P.(W)	743084	738513			24283	24292	5352	5397	8044	8152	0	0	0	0	0	0	780763	776354	-4409
West Bengal	603908	593115			0	0	2077	2120	6231	5946	0	0	0	0	0	0	612216	601181	-11035
Total	21363049		3453811	3454135	3274612		1257891	1258022	1473020	1480867	188934	186775	48876	49405		26280	31083323	30947622	
Net Addition		-146914		324		1391		131		7847		-2159		529		3150		-135701	

VLR Subscribers in the Wireless Segment

Home Location Register (HLR) is a central database that contains details of each mobile phone subscriber that is authorized to use the GSM core network. The HLRs store details of every SIM card issued by the mobile phone operator. Each SIM has a unique identifier called an International Mobile Subscriber Identity (IMSI), which is the primary key to each HLR record. The HLR data is stored for as long as a subscriber remains with the mobile phone operator. HLR also manages the mobility of subscribers by means of updating their position in administrative areas. It sends the subscriber data to a Visitor Location Register (VLR).

Subscriber numbers reported by the service providers is the difference between the numbers of IMSI registered in service provider's Home Location Register(HLR) and sum of other figures as given below:-

1	Total IMSI's in HLR (A)
2	Less: $(B=a + b + c + d + e)$
a.	Test/Service Cards
b.	Employees
c.	Stock in hand/in Distributional Cannels (Active Card)
d.	Subscriber Retention period expired
e.	Service suspended pending disconnection
3	Subscribers Base (A-B)

Visitor Location Register (VLR) is a temporary database of the subscribers who have roamed into the particular area, which it serves. Each base station in the network is served by exactly one VLR; hence a subscriber cannot be present in more than one VLR at a time.

If subscriber is in active stage i.e. he is able to send/receive calls/SMSs he is available both in HLR and VLR. However, it may be possible that the subscriber is registered in HLR but not in VLR due to the reason that he is either switched-off or moved out of coverage area, not reachable etc. In such circumstances he will be available in HLR but not in VLR. This causes difference between subscriber number reported by the service providers and numbers available in VLR.

The VLR data calculated here is on the basis of active subscribers in VLR on the date of Peak VLR of the particular month for which the data is being collected. This data is to be taken from the switches having the purge time of not more than 72 hours.
