Keep rolling with FirstNet®

Three reasons why your transportation business needs to be on America’s public safety network
What is FirstNet®?

Think of it as the “fast lane” for first responders and those who support them – like transportation companies.

FirstNet is the only nationwide, communications network built with and for public safety. It’s made for every first responder in the country, including firefighters, emergency medical services personnel, law enforcement, 911 communicators, and emergency managers. It’s also available to transportation businesses that support first responders.

In an emergency or natural disaster, transportation companies on FirstNet can communicate quickly with first responders and help save lives by delivering food, fuel, and supplies; evacuating people, assisting stranded drivers, and clearing roads while communicating on the network with priority.

FirstNet users get always-on priority on the FirstNet network – no matter the situation.

Let’s get you rolling with FirstNet.
Business-critical communications

You’ll always have priority over commercial traffic on the FirstNet network

During emergencies, commercial networks can get bogged down from too many users. FirstNet has its own special lane of traffic – Band 14 – that can be made available just for FirstNet users. FirstNet provides always-on priority across voice and data communications.

FirstNet Push-to-Talk (PTT) is interoperable with most Land Mobile Radio (LMR) systems and extends coverage across jurisdictions, across the nation. This interoperability means you can send text, video, and pictures either one-to-one or one-to-many with first responders, other transportation companies, and other municipalities across the nation.
Manage your fleet

Whether you have a fleet of freight trucks, tow trucks, or snowplows, FirstNet® can help improve vehicle safety and efficiency.

FirstNet provides a powerful way to manage transportation fleets. Fleet Complete for FirstNet let’s you:

- Track and manage your mission-critical fleet and workforce in near real time
- Monitor driver behavior on the roads and help lower fleet running costs
- Schedule and track completion status of work orders and tasks
- Prolong vehicle health and lifetime with automated maintenance management module
- Capture regular inspections and log defects of on-board equipment
Cybersecurity: We’re adding comprehensive encryption

Get ready for security upgrades on cell towers across the country

Security is paramount. That’s why FirstNet is designed with a security strategy that goes well beyond standard commercial network security measures. This strategy provides protection without sacrificing usability or impacting public safety missions. And now, we’ve gone further than anyone in the industry to secure public safety communications by introducing comprehensive tower-to-core encryption based on open industry standards.

FirstNet will be the first-ever nationwide network with this comprehensive network encryption. That means FirstNet traffic will be automatically secured as it moves from the cell tower, through the backhaul, to the core and back again. Commercial networks may encrypt parts of the communications pathway, but only FirstNet will have encryption along the entire route.

To achieve this, we’re rolling out security upgrades on every cell tower across the country, with nationwide completion expected by Q1 2022.
How to get started
See if you’re one of the many transportation companies that qualifies

Is your transportation company critical for keeping communities safe during an emergency? When disaster strikes, are you out there helping to deliver food, supplies, and fuel? Perhaps your company works with first responders to tow away vehicles or debris or helps to evacuate people during natural disasters. If so, you may qualify for FirstNet.

Categories:
- Freight trucking
- Bus (including school bus)
- Motor vehicle towing services
- Charter (non-sightseeing/scenic)
- Commuter
- Cable car systems
- Subway systems
- Tramway systems
- Ground transportation support
- Traffic control flagging services
- Bridge, tunnel, and highway operations
- Pilot car services (that is, wide-load warning services)
- Snow clearing/removal, highways and bridges, road transportation
- Toll road operations, highway
- Truck weighing station operation
- Trucking terminals, independently operated

FirstNet is built with AT&T in a public-private partnership with the First Responder Network Authority – an independent agency within the federal government. And we are working to build and evolve FirstNet for the next 20+ years.

To learn more about how you can put FirstNet to work in your organization, visit firstnet.com/transportation. If you’d like us to contact you, please fill out the form on the bottom of this page.

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