

## News article

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# Telia is first in Norway to launch commercial 5G standalone

**Telia Norway became the country's first operator to complete a nationwide 5G network rollout in 2024, and is now the fastest in launching commercial 5G standalone (SA). Available across Telia's entire Norwegian footprint as Advanced 5G, this cutting-edge technology enables businesses and public services to reserve a dedicated slice of Telia's 5G network and benefit from top speeds, stability and security for the most demanding applications.**

In 5G SA, the radio access network connects directly to a 5G core without relying on 4G technology. This makes features like network slicing and ultra-low latency possible. In fact, latency can be reduced to less than 10 milliseconds, compared with 15-18 milliseconds for non-standalone 5G. Similarly, many more devices can be connected to a 5G SA network at the same time.

These capabilities are especially relevant in sectors where network response times and resilience are crucial, such as emergency services, healthcare and remote-controlled manufacturing.

Bjørn Ivar Moen, Head of Telia Norway: "This launch is a milestone that confirms Telia's Norwegian network leadership. Advanced 5G is like an airport 'fast-track' lane: you move smoothly past the queue without stopping. We see growing demand for such technology, since today's mobile networks are increasingly used for critical functions on which entire societies depend."

Ahead of commercial launch, Telia has demonstrated the potential of Advanced 5G through pilot projects with customers such as [public broadcaster NRK](#), the Norwegian Armed Forces and construction company Veidekke.

According to the latest GSA data, only 10% of mobile operators worldwide have launched commercial 5G SA services.

[Yesterday](#), Telia's mobile network was named best in Norway by Rohde & Schwarz for the second consecutive year. By the end of the fourth quarter of 2025, Telia had over 1.8 million mobile postpaid subscribers in Norway, spanning consumers, businesses, critical services and more.

## NOTES TO EDITORS

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