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Wide Area Network (WAN)

A data communications network (/content/entry/984557) that covers geographically separated areas, typically containing cities. Thus a WAN is usually composed of Local Area Networks (LAN) (/content/entry/986519) interconnected by other communications links hired from a PTT (/content/entry/987830) or other common carrier (/content/entry/984285). The operating speed is usually E1 (/content/entry/985153), T1 (/content/entry/989038) or below, and is therefore less than that of a LAN. See also MAN (/content/entry/986670).

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