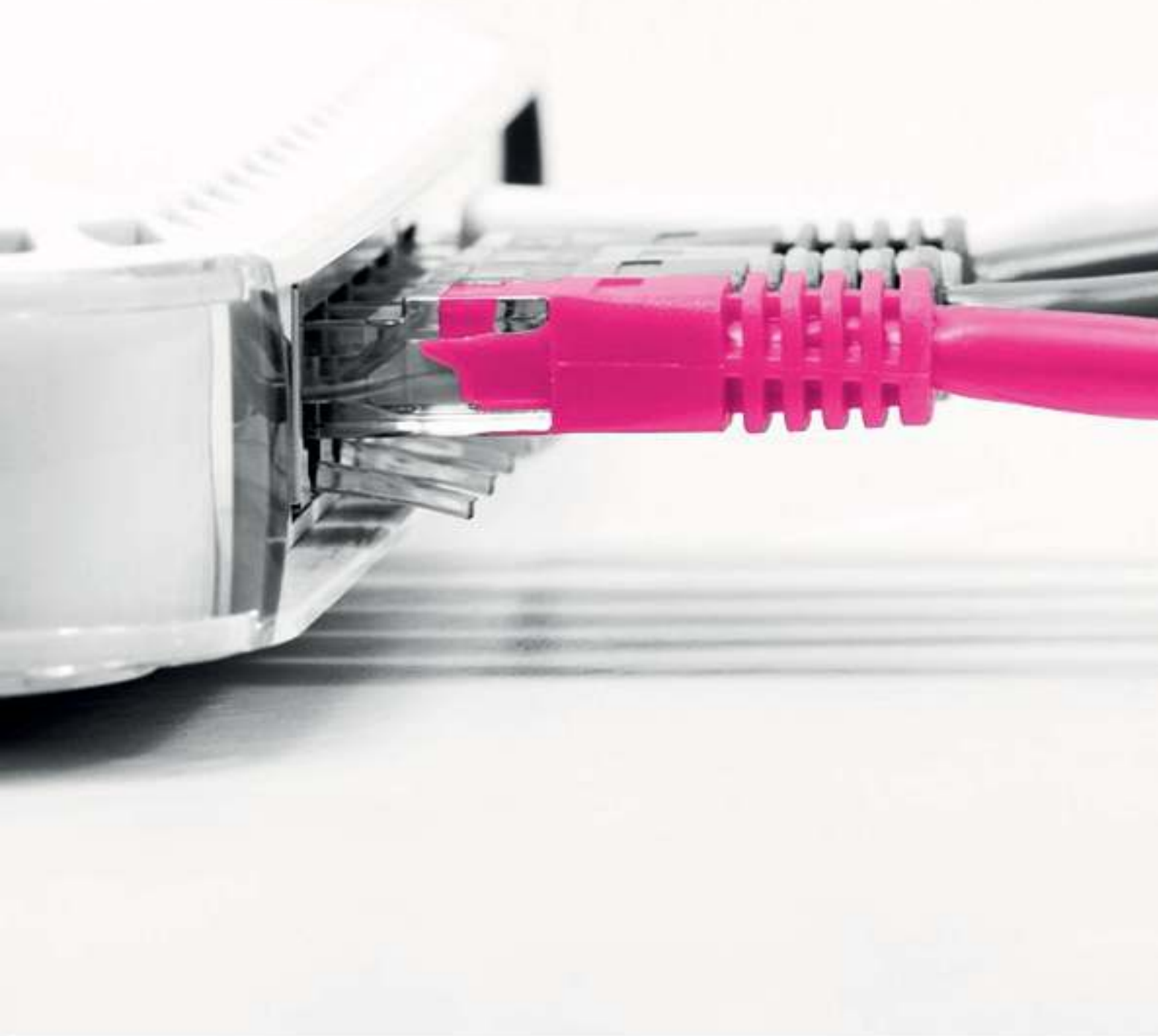


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A Guide to Leased Line Costs





Which factors are influential in determining the cost of a UK leased line?

What is a Leased Line?

A leased line is a practical, cost-effective option when a dedicated data link is required between two sites (point-to-point leased line) or between a single site and the internet (internet leased line).

Essentially, leased lines are a premium connectivity product because unlike typical broadband services, leased lines are dedicated, uncontended data lines with symmetrical bandwidth speeds.

Leased line connections (also known as private circuits), provide dedicated bandwidth on demand and secure data links that can be trusted. Leased lines typically deliver bandwidth over a leased fibre connection, although local copper connections are also utilised in certain scenarios.

Dedicated leased line users are guaranteed to receive a high speed service and high levels of support via an SLA (Service Level Agreement).

Speed and reliability ensure that leased lines are ideal for any business requiring a fast, virtually failsafe internet connection or when the regular exchange of very large files between sites is required.

Leased lines are fully managed and backed by a service level agreement which provides 24/7 support, 365 days a year.

What are the benefits of a leased line?

Fixed costs – the rental charge for a Leased Line is fixed, so budgets can be easily managed.

99.99% uptime - a Leased Line is fully resilient, continuous service which is guaranteed by a strict service level agreement.

Security – Leased Line bandwidth is completely dedicated to the client, so the transmission of data is highly secure

Flexibility – Leased Lines can be used for voice and LAN traffic, VoIP or standard data

Performance – Leased lines are fast. Low latency, minimum jitter and packet loss make leased lines ideally suited for a comprehensive range of applications.

Choice – The typical speed connection offered for a leased line is 2Mbps up to 10Gbps. 10Mbps is the most popular choice . However, there are other connections offered by some leased line providers that are now becoming popular. Namely, the 10Mb on a 100Mbps bearer and the 100Mb.

Coverage – Leased Lines provide access to any point in the UK.

What does a leased line typically cost?

Leased line quotes will vary greatly depending on three key factors; the location of the proposed connections, the total amount of bandwidth required and the terms and length of the leased line contract.

Location plays an important role in determining the cost of a leased line. The more resources required to connect a leased line to legacy telecoms networks, the more costly the leased line will be. Pre-existing fibre-optic cables provide easier connection and will therefore significantly lower the cost of the leased line service. Conversely, connections requested further away from population centres will cost significantly more.

The amount of bandwidth required determines whether a fibre-connection will be needed, or whether uncontented DSL circuits can be utilised. DSL circuits are often cheaper to install and service.

Your leased line cost is greatly affected by the length of your contract because leased line circuits can be expensive to install. Some leased line providers will absorb much of this cost, then recoup that initial subsidy over the life of the contract. Typically people sign contracts of 3 to 5 years. If you sign a 1 year contract, expect to pay a great deal more to install your leased line.



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