

Table 77. Telephone business

End of Year	Subscribers of local telephones (10,000 Households)		Subscribers of mobile telephones (1,000 Subscribers)		No. of public telephones (Sets)	Long-distance telephone circuits
		Subscribers per 100 pop. (Subscribers)		No. of minutes of outgoing calls (Million minutes)		Domestic (Circuits)
1952	2	-	-	-	-	463
1981	282	-	-	-	59 116	63 012
1991	685	-	197	-	107 061	296 842
2001	1 286	57.4	21 786	17 301	138 623	921 225
2011	1 268	54.6	28 862	42 835	82 345	7 310 590
2012	1 241	53.2	29 449	43 477	78 107	6 760 106
2013	1 223	52.3	29 701	37 582	74 616	5 514 334
2014	1 210	51.4	26 535	30 825	69 820	5 480 924
2015	1 189	50.6	29 369	26 795	64 361	4 647 876
2016	1 170	49.7	28 928	22 648	59 352	4 107 852
2017	1 145	48.6	28 656	18 161	53 826	6 202 512
2018	1 121	47.5	29 220	14 686	48 066	8 355 850
2019	1 099	46.6	29 208	12 325	41 311	8 027 116
2020	1 075	45.6	29 289	11 036	37 063	6 406 036
2021	1 052	45.0	29 580	10 286	33 454	4 804 966
End of Year	Long-distance telephone circuits			International telephones (1)		
	International (Circuits)			No. of outgoing calls (1,000 Calls)	Mainland China	No. of minutes of outgoing calls (1,000 Minutes)
	Total	Telephone circuits	Data circuits			
1952	-	-	-	-	-	-
1981	-	-	-	4 293	-	27 049
1991	-	-	-	104 844	8 719	297 616
2001	-	-	-	433 642	154 668	1 514 416
2011	5 537 101	71 932	5 465	1 065 185	393 345	4 666 714
2012	7 237 750	77 916	7 159 834	1 089 690	366 140	4 941 466
2013	9 978 853	83 840	9 895 013	828 532	275 674	3 800 525
2014	13 522 970	82 636	13 440 334	740 936	286 519	2 960 807
2015	18 540 103	87 407	18 452 696	607 540	212 922	2 230 693
2016	23 253 314	79 049	23 174 265	507 428	169 658	1 829 726
2017	33 306 651	74 221	33 232 430	372 689	77 095	1 366 845
2018	66 467 506	72 937	66 394 569	290 099	51 491	1 088 303
2019	123 773 193	66 662	123 706 531	241 961	35 338	696 408
2020	171 834 137	54 974	171 779 163	145 949	32 321	436 444
2021	252 937 105	49 759	252 887 346	110 854	21 807	279 441

Note: (1) Telephone services between the Straits started from June 1989.

Source: 1. Ministry of Transportation and Communications

2. National Communications Commission