

## NSFNET – National Science Foundation Network

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### Description

Backbone network of the National Science Foundation interconnecting peer networks of NASA, DOE, national mid-level networks, and over 40 countries.

### Network Access

Via peer and mid-level networks.

### Who Can Use the Network

For the purposes of use in research and education, according to the guidelines of the National Science Foundation Acceptable Use Policy.

### Miscellaneous

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### References

Merit Network Information Center Services

NIC.MERIT.EDU  
FTP.MERIT.EDU  
FTP.MICHNET.NET  
NIS.NSF.NET  
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Merit's Network Information Center host computer, accessible via anonymous FTP, contains a wide array of information about the Internet, NSFNET, and MichNet.

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Directory Structure:

Information files are available on this machine under the following directories:

acceptable.use.policies:	A directory of policy statements for the acceptable use of the NSFNET backbone and regional networks listed.
cise:	Directory owned by the National Science Foundation's Computer and Information Science and Engineering component for the placement of NSFNET Backbone Network policy statements and related documents, as well as GAO reports of interest.
cise/recompete:	NSF's Interagency Interim NREN Implementation Plan
documents:	Directory archive for NSFNET, regional, and Internet documents, such as RFCs, Internet Drafts, Internet Monthly Reports, and others.
internet:	Directory devoted to Internet activities: legislative work to promote the NREN and the HPCA, publications on research, experiments and use of the Internet, and available resources.
maps:	PostScript maps of NSFNET and MichNet.
michnet:	A directory of information related to MichNet, the regional network in Michigan.
newsletters:	A directory archive for NSFNET, regional, and Internet newsletters, such as the Link Letter, MichNet News, Internet Monthly Reports, and FARNET Gazette.
nren:	House and Senate activity pertaining to the National Research and Education Network (NREN).
nren/hpca.1991:	House and Senate activity leading to passage in 1991 of The High Performance Computing Act.
nren/iita.1992:	House and Senate activity relating to The Information Infrastructure and Technology Act of 1992.
nsfnet:	Archive for administrative, policy and statistical information relevant to the NSFNET Backbone networks.
resources:	Information on using the Internet and its available resources, including Merit's Internet Cruise.
statistics:	Statistical reports pertaining to the networks for which Merit provides backbone operation services.
working.groups:	Directory of documents from technical working groups.