

## MIDnet – A Midwestern Regional Network

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**Description**

MIDnet is a Midwest regional research and education data communications network that provides access to the National Science Foundation Network (NSFNET) and to the Internet community. Our purpose is to promote advances in research and education by providing low-cost, reliable, high-speed connectivity to educational institutions, non-profit organizations, and businesses interested in the advancement of research and education.

MIDnet's mission is to give individuals at member sites in the seven state region of Arkansas, Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, Oklahoma, and South Dakota access to a broad range of advanced information resources such as large databases, supercomputers, libraries, data archives, and electronic mail.

MIDnet is an IP-based network running at speeds from 56 Kbps to T1 (1.544 mps), and currently connects sixty individual sites and two state networks using cisco and Proteon routers.

Major information resources include: the EROS Data Center (Sioux Falls, South Dakota), WUARCHIVE (Washington University in St. Louis), see Section 3-10, National Severe Storms Laboratory (University of Oklahoma), ARCHIE server (University of Nebraska-Lincoln) and on-line library catalogs and Campus Wide Information Systems.

**Network Access**

MIDnet is available to any IP host on the Internet.

**Who Can Use the Network**

Any IP host at any member organization may use MIDnet as long as they abide by the MIDnet Acceptable Use Policy (AUP). Any Internet-connected host may access MIDnet members IP hosts under the same usage policy.

**Miscellaneous**

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## **References**

Further information may be obtained via anonymous FTP from westie.mid.net, directory pub. Included in this information is the MIDnet AUP, membership list, maps, meeting notices and minutes.