

Dark Fiber is a high-capacity network solution for those who need unlimited bandwidth, complete service control and total reliability. We offer a variety of connectivity options from individual strands of fiber to complex multi-site designs customized for you. For 30 years, we've built Dark Fiber networking solutions for customers across a wide variety of industries—working closely with them to meet their needs through our dense, nationwide fiber footprint.

### Key Benefits

#### Increased flexibility and scalability

Since you light the network with your own equipment, you can design it to support the configurations, services and applications you need. You have the ability to scale your network to virtually any bandwidth without the need for costly and disruptive upgrades.

#### Dedicated support and monitoring

We have locally based service teams who are available to you whenever you need them. And with our around-the-clock Network Operations Center, you can be sure your network will always be in good hands.

#### Enhanced network security

With private physical network infrastructure on your own dedicated strands of fiber, you can maximize your security.

#### Simplified network management

Your network is under your control. You can select the equipment best suited for your applications while utilizing your in-house optical expertise to manage your network.

#### Flexible contract options

We'll work to ensure that agreement terms are right for your business. We offer several contracting options including five and ten-year lease terms.

#### Special construction projects

Within metro areas, we will support special construction projects linking your critical locations to our high-performance network. These special assemblies are custom-designed, built and implemented to meet your specific networking requirements.

- Dark Fiber in the Northeast** With an extensive low-latency network and massive amounts of fiber, our metro NY/NJ network footprint is the perfect location to deploy Dark Fiber for media and entertainment agencies, large financial institutions, service providers, content providers and school systems. Our NY/NJ network also includes access to all major financial exchanges and 16 diverse river crossings.
- Dark Fiber in the Midwest** We offer unparalleled Dark Fiber density in areas of New York State and Connecticut including Rochester, Buffalo, Syracuse, Albany, Hartford, Stamford, Bridgeport, New Haven and New London.
- Dark Fiber in the South** Our dense metro Boston network provides Dark Fiber from downtown, south to Providence, west to Worcester and north to New Hampshire, and everywhere in between.
- Dark Fiber in the West** Our Transcom Route utilizes a unique path from New York City to Washington DC and Virginia that is entirely diverse from the east coast I-95 communications corridor. This path offers an alternate route to highly congested areas for backup and recovery, cloud services, content delivery and more. Customers using this route from the north can also connect directly to our Potomac River crossing for optimized latency and added network diversity to areas of Virginia, including the data center hub of Ashburn.
- Dark Fiber in the Southwest** Our Dark Fiber routes extend from Los Angeles to San Diego with connectivity to our Los Angeles

### Our unique, nationwide portfolio

With approximately 90,000 route miles of fiber, we own and operate one of the largest and densest fiber networks in the country with a presence in 23 of the top 25 US markets.

### Our proven track record

In our 30 years of experience owning and operating network assets we've seen it all and we're always ready to adapt to changing network trends.

### Our deep expertise

We've worked with nearly every industry so we understand your unique opportunities and challenges and can tailor solutions to meet your goals.

### Our solutions

We have your networking and security needs covered. Visit our [infrastructure solutions](#) page to learn more about our suite of solutions and how they can solve your toughest challenges.

Crown Castle owns, operates and leases more than 40,000 cell towers and approximately 90,000 route miles of fiber supporting small cells and fiber solutions across every major US market. This nationwide portfolio of communications infrastructure connects cities and communities to essential data, technology and wireless service—bringing information, ideas and innovations to the people and businesses that need them.