

QWEST PRIVATE LINE DS-3 SERVICE

High-speed digital transport for voice, video and data.

If you're relying on multiple low-speed services to handle your growing voice, data and video traffic—or if you simply require more robust bandwidth—Qwest® DS-3 Service can improve both the cost efficiency and the performance of your network by aggregating those services onto a high-speed digital backbone. Because the transmission is digital from end to end, the signal is clean and pure—free of cross talk, amplified noise and distortion.

This advanced digital communications solution is designed and deployed to help support your mission-critical business functions and applications, including the following:

- Local-area, metropolitan-area and wide-area networking
- Remote workplace solution
- Remote database backup
- Computer-aided design and manufacturing (CAD/CAM) application
- Video and audio conferencing
- Centralized networking data processing

DESCRIPTION

Qwest DS-3 Service is a point-to-point, high-capacity, digital Private Line transport service (PLTS) used to transfer large amounts of information between locations. It has the flexibility to configure communications services that meet specific needs and economically optimize networks, such as the aggregation of lower-speed services (e.g., DS-1, 1.544 Mbps) onto a high-speed digital backbone. The DS-3 facility can also be channelized to provide two DS-1 circuits with the multiplexing ability to enable a platform for voice, video and data services.

FEATURES

- Electrical interface offered for single DS-3 applications.
- Central office multiplexing provides 28 DS-1 circuits.
- Self-Healing Alternate Route Protection (SHARP) protects the local loop.
- SHARP Plus extends protection to the interoffice portion of the circuit.
- Command-a-Link™ provides circuit reconfiguration.

BENEFITS

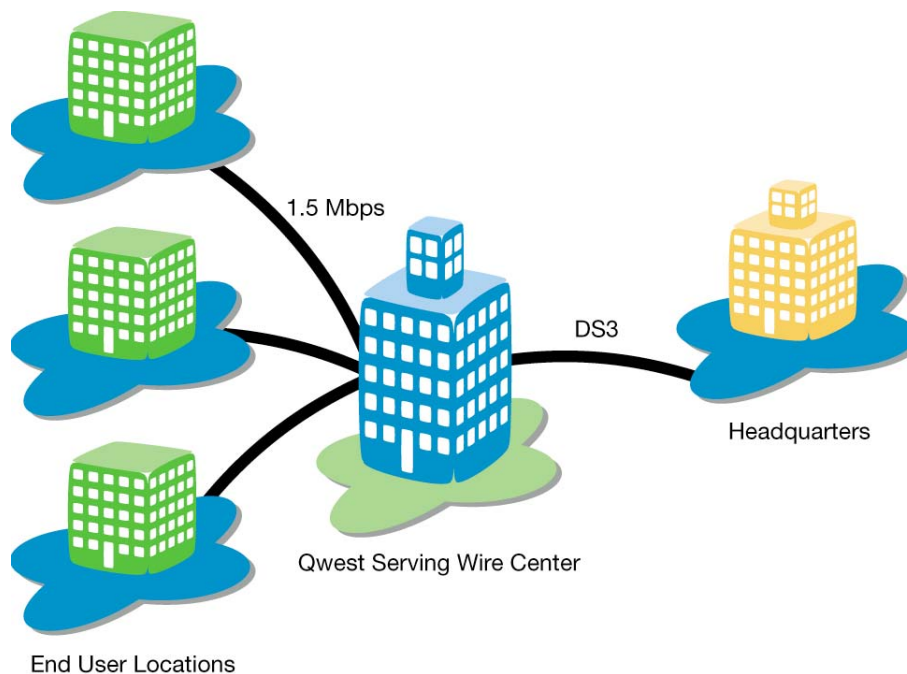
- A high-capacity channel for the transmission of 44.736 Mbps isochronous serial data. DS-3 service enables you to:
 - Reliably transport high traffic volumes between locations
 - Economically optimize your network as you configure end-user services
- Cost savings can be generated by aggregating lower-speed DS-1 services
- High standards of accuracy and system availability @ 99.83 percent
- Graduated discounts through plans based on contract length
- Single solution for integrating voice, video and data applications
- Supports today's in-demand business applications that require high bandwidth and fiber-optic reliability
- Provides the capacity you currently need and accommodates growing future demands

- Ensures reliable transmissions on your most critical circuits with optional SHARP service
- Provides a service guarantee—provisioning and repair

HOW IT WORKS

Qwest DS-3 Service consists of a high-capacity channel provisioned for transmission speeds of 44.736 Mbps isochronous serial data. DS-3 is offered as an electrical interface for single DS-3 applications.

Multi-point Circuit



WHY BUY FROM QWEST?

- Qwest provides the SHARP option, which allows instantaneous service restoration
- Service is available throughout the 14-state Qwest local service territory
- Service level agreements (SLAs) guarantee high standards of performance
- Flexible pricing plans offer discounts and protect you from price increases
- Qwest is a facilities-based telecommunication provider with a legacy of experience and service

OTHER PRODUCTS AVAILABLE FROM QWEST

In addition to Qwest® DS-3 service, Qwest has an array of products to meet your needs, including:

- Qwest® Synchronous Service Transport (SST)
- Qwest® Self-Healing Network Service (SHNS)

Qwest Corporation Private Line DS-3 Service is only available in Qwest's local service territory in the states of AZ, CO, IA, ID, MN, MT, ND, NE, NM, OR, SD, UT, WA and WY. Minimum term of commitment required. Termination charges apply.