

Evidence for Policymakers: Assessing Multifamily Managed Wi-Fi's Economic Value



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Agenda

1. What is Managed Wi-Fi?
2. Recent Regulatory Developments
3. Why An Economic Study?
4. Why Maravedis

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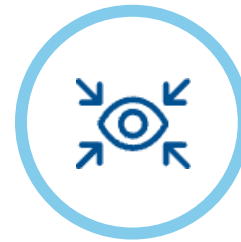
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Survey

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Access Results

What Do Residents Want?

Outcomes

Move-in Ready

Connected Lifestyle

No Headaches

Lower internet Costs

Benefits

No Waiting

Seamless Roaming

Faster Problem Resolution

More disposable income

Features

Pre-installed WiFi

Property-wide internet
by default

Best-In-Class
Customer Support

Bulk Long-Term Rates

Unmanaged Wi-Fi vs Managed Wi-Fi

UNMANAGED Wi-Fi: Consumer-Grade

Self-installed consumer routers

No centralized monitoring or control

Limited security features

No SLAs or guaranteed uptime

Channel interference issues common

MANAGED Wi-Fi: Enterprise-Grade

Professional design & deployment

24/7 remote monitoring & management

Enterprise security (WPA3, VLANs)

SLA-backed performance guarantees

Optimized channel & spectrum management

The Regulatory Threat Is Real

California AB 1414

EFFECTIVE JAN 2026

Opt-out mandates requiring landlords to let tenants decline bundled internet service

Colorado HB 24-1334

ENACTED

Open access requirements forcing property owners to grant building access to any ISP

Colorado HB 23-1095

ENACTED

Markup restrictions limiting property owners to 2% or \$10 above actual cost

More States...

PENDING

Similar legislation is being considered across multiple state legislatures nationwide

These policies are framed as "pro-consumer" but lack economic impact analysis

The Study: Evidence to Counter Bad Policy

What We Will Quantify

- Consumer surplus: cost savings vs. retail broadband
- Infrastructure efficiency: avoided redundant wiring
- Digital equity: impact on affordable/student/senior housing
- GDP contribution: productivity from reliable connectivity
- Regulatory scenarios: economic impact of each policy type

Why It Matters Now

- **No authoritative economic study exists**
- **Industry needs defensible evidence for advocacy**
- California AB 1414 took effect January 2026
- More states considering similar legislation

The Study: Detailed data-driven economic analysis (Examples)

DATA SOURCES	PRIMARY ANALYSIS	INTERMEDIATE OUTPUTS	FINAL OUTCOMES
Bulk vs. Retail Pricing Differential • Source: ISP rate cards, surveys	Consumer Savings Calculation (20-40% cost reduction)	Resident Economic Value (fees avoided, day-one access)	Consumer Benefit: Cost savings, barrier elimination, immediate connectivity for affordable/student/senior housing
Infrastructure Deployment Costs (wiring, equipment) • Source: ISP data, property managers	Single vs. Multi-Provider Cost Comparison	Infrastructure Efficiency Gains (reduced redundancy)	Producer Surplus: Property owner ROI, MSP economics, ISP business model sustainability
Performance Benchmarks (throughput, latency) • Source: Network monitoring	Professional vs. Consumer-Grade Network Analysis	Network Performance Differential	GDP Contribution: Remote work productivity, telehealth access, educational outcomes

KEY DELIVERABLES

Research Report

50-70 page comprehensive analysis with methodology, findings, and regulatory framework

Executive Summary

4-6 page brief for policymakers, legislators, and media engagement

Digital Equity Analysis

Impact assessment for affordable, student, and senior housing populations

Presentation Deck

20-25 slides for conferences, hearings, and stakeholder briefings

12-WEEK RESEARCH TIMELINE

1-2

**KICKOFF &
FRAMEWORK**

3-5

**DATA
COLLECTION**

6-8

**ECONOMIC
MODELING**

9-10

**DRAFT
& REVIEW**

11-12

**FINAL
DELIVERY**

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Wi-Fi Alliance

- The economic value of Wi-Fi: A global view (2018 and 2023)
- The economic value of Wi-Fi: A global view (2021-2025)
- Assessing the economic value of the upper 700 MHz of the 6 GHz band in Thailand (2025)

Wi-Fi Forward

- Assessment of the economic value of unlicensed spectrum in the United States (2014)
- A 2017 assessment of the current and future economic value of unlicensed spectrum in the US (2018)
- Assessing the economic value of unlicensed use in the 5.9 GHz and 6 GHz bands (2020)
- An assessment of Wi-Fi economic value in the United States (2024)
- Wi-Fi Works: How the success of Wi-Fi drives U.S. job creation (2025)
- Economic loss if the top 700 Megahertz of the 6 GHz band is repurposed for licensed use (2025)

Dynamic Spectrum Alliance

- Assessing the economic value of unlicensed use of the 6 GHz band in Indonesia (2021)
- Assessment of the economic value of the 6 GHz band in India (2024)
- Assessment of the economic value of the 6 GHz band in Australia (2024)
- Assessment of the economic value of the 6 GHz band in Brazil (2023)

Recap

- **Managed Wi-Fi in MDUs Under Threat**
- **Economic Analysis needed NOW**
- **Are you ready? We are!**

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Resources

Weekly Newsletter

<https://lp.maravedis-bwa.com/sign-up-landing-page>

2026 WiFi Predictions

<https://shop.maravedis-bwa.com/blogs/news/wi-fi-2026-predictions-what-to-expect-in-the-year-ahead>

MSP Interviews

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