

Briefs: Q3 world broadband up 10 percent

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World broadband growth in the third quarter reached nearly 10 percent, a new marketing report said this week.

The Irish analysis firm Research and Markets pegged the number of broadband subscribers worldwide at nearly 188 million, up about 15.6 million from the second quarter.

The highest nominal growth rates in subscribers came in the Asia-Pacific region and Europe, where some 5.5 million new users signed up in each region. The Americas and the Middle East-Africa region posted lesser increases.

Europe, however, showed the lowest relative quarterly gain.

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