

AMERICAN CUSTOMER SATISFACTION INDEX Wireless Phone Service and Cell Phone Study 2020-2021

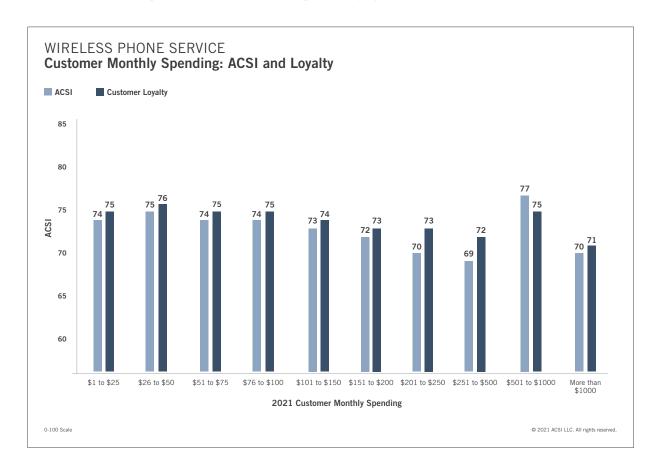
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Customer satisfaction is a driving force that impacts the financial outlook of individual firms and the health of the U.S. economy at large. New results from the American Customer Satisfaction Index (ACSI®) include customer satisfaction benchmarks for three categories of wireless phone service providers—mobile network operators, full-service mobile virtual network operators (MVNOs), and value MVNOs—as well as cell phone manufacturers and smartphone brands. The ACSI also captures customer opinions about critical elements of the customer experience, tailored individually to each measured industry.

The ACSI results that follow are based on interviews with 21,189 customers, chosen at random and contacted via email between April 1, 2020, and March 29, 2021. Customers are asked to evaluate their recent experiences with the largest companies in terms of market share, plus an aggregate category consisting of "all other"—and thus smaller—companies in those industries.

Wireless Phone Service

As part of the ACSI survey, respondents are asked how much they spend each month for their wireless phone service. This information, in addition to the customer satisfaction and customer loyalty data, shows which customer segments would have the greatest payoff if the customer experience were improved.

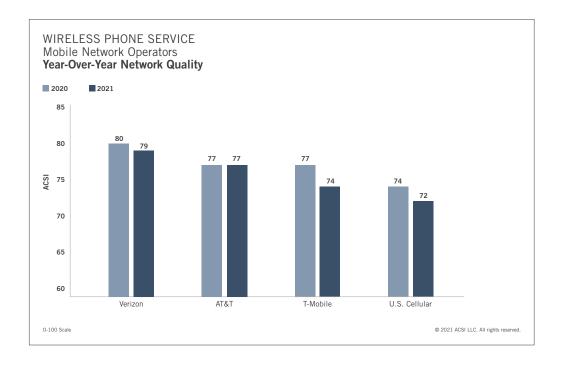




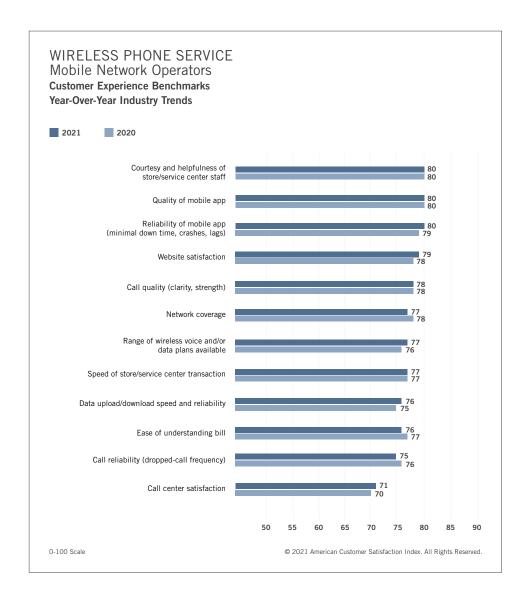
Mobile Network Operators

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COMPANY	2020	2021	% CHANGE
Mobile Network Operators	73	73	0.0%
AT&T	73	74	1%
Verizon	74	74	0%
T-Mobile	76	72	-5%
U.S. Cellular	71	69	-3%

In addition to measuring customer satisfaction for mobile network operators, the ACSI provides a unique rating of network quality based on customer evaluations of call quality (clarity and strength), call reliability (dropped calls), network coverage, and data speed.



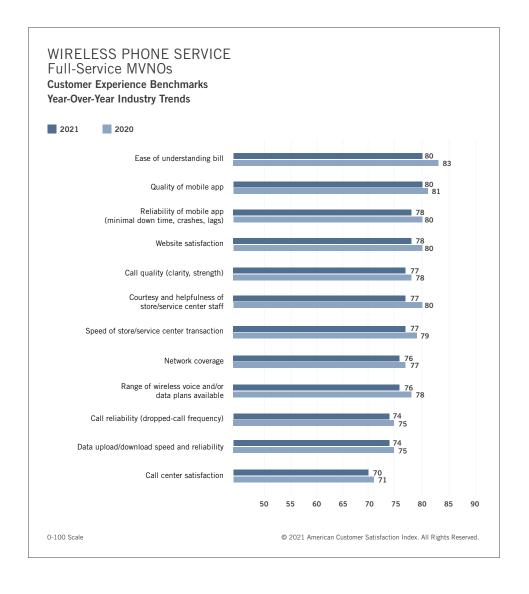






Full-Service MVNOs

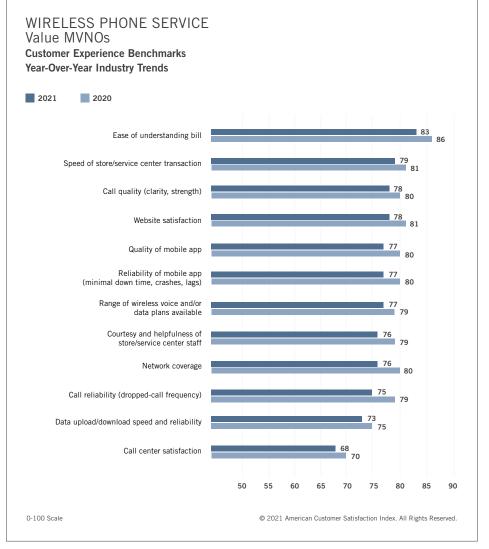
full-Service MVNOs			
COMPANY	2020	2021	% CHANGE
ull-Service MVNOs	75	73	-2.7%
finity Mobile	79	78	-1%
Cricket Wireless	76	75	-1%
Spectrum Mobile	NM	75	NA
Metro by T-Mobile	74	74	0%
Boost Mobile	74	71	-4%





Value MVNOs

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Cell Phones

AMERICAN CUSTOMER SATISFACTION INDEX: **CELL PHONES**

COMPANY	2020	2021	% CHANGE
Cell Phones	80	79	-1.3%
Samsung	81	81	0%
Apple	82	80	-2%
Google	NM	80	NA
Motorola (Lenovo)	77	80	4%
LG	79	77	-3%
All Others	75	73	-3%
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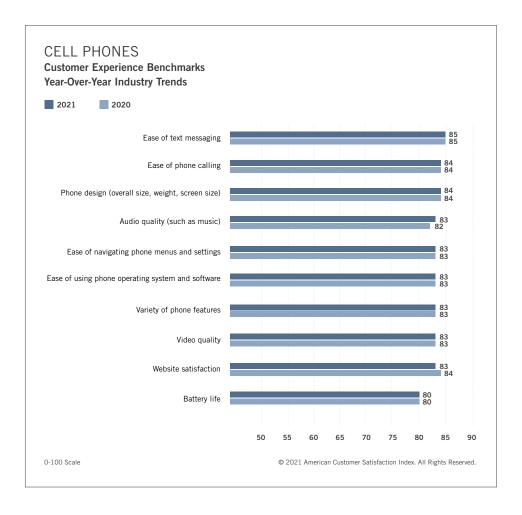
AMERICAN CUSTOMER SATISFACTION INDEX: **SMARTPHONE BRANDS**

Brand	Manufacturer	2021
Galaxy Note10+	Samsung	85
Galaxy S10+	Samsung	85
Galaxy S20+	Samsung	85
Galaxy S20	Samsung	84
Galaxy A20	Samsung	83
Galaxy S10	Samsung	82
iPhone 11 Pro	Apple	82
iPhone 11 Pro Max	Apple	82
iPhone X	Apple	82
iPhone XS Max	Apple	82
Galaxy J7	Samsung	81
iPhone SE (2nd generation)	Apple	81
iPhone XS	Apple	81
Galaxy Note10	Samsung	80
Galaxy S9	Samsung	80
iPhone 11	Apple	80
iPhone 8 Plus	Apple	80
iPhone 7 Plus	Apple	79
iPhone 8	Apple	79
iPhone SE	Apple	79
Galaxy A10e	Samsung	78
iPhone XR	Apple	78
Galaxy S10e	Samsung	77
iPhone 7	Apple	75

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ACSI survey data are used as inputs to the Index's cause-and-effect econometric model, which estimates customer satisfaction as the result of the survey-measured inputs of customer expectations, perceptions of quality, and perceptions of value. The ACSI model, in turn, links customer satisfaction with the survey-measured outcomes of customer complaints and customer loyalty. ACSI clients receive confidential industry-competitive and best-in-class data on all modeled variables and customer experience benchmarks.

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