**WAN: Stands For Wide area Network**

* It is a telecommunication network that is used for connecting computers and covers a wide geographical area.
* WANs often contain a few smaller networks (LANs, MANs, etc.).
* Businesses, schools, and government agencies utilize wide area networks to send data to employees, students, clients, purchasers, and suppliers in different parts of the world.

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| **Pros of Using WAN:** | Cons of Using WAN: |
| **Wide coverage** | **Costs of Installation:** |
| **Quick delivery of messages** | **Maintenance Issues:** |
| **Increased bandwidth:** | **Requires Antivirus and Firewall Software** |
| **Global Market** | **Frequent Disconnection Problem:** |

