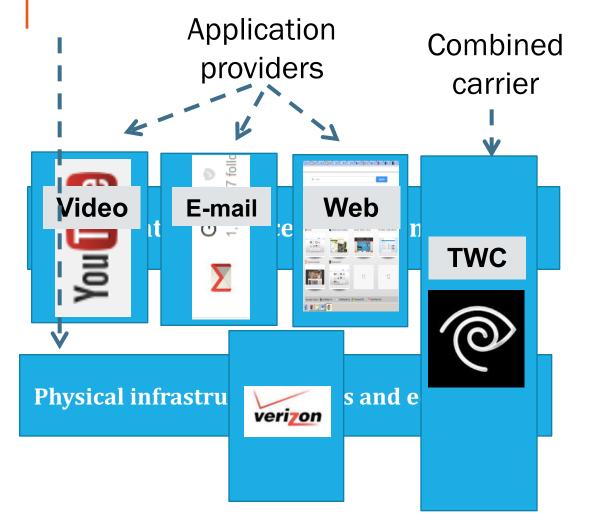


## NET NEUTRALITY IN THE UNITED STATES

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Many because of low barriers to entry.

Few because of high barriers to entry.



In 2007 by the Associated Press: The Electronic Frontier Foundation and MIT professors confirmed that Comcast secretly blocks and degrades particular applications and had been doing so for months while publicly denying it.

Comcast was targeting applications using the BitTorrent protocol, among other peer-to-peer applications. BitTorrent has many lawful uses and is the future of high-quality Internet video.

## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION (FCC) RULING: FEBRUARY 26, 2015

Reclassified broadband Internet as a public utility

Established a new Open Internet Order (OIO) that applies to both fixed and mobile broadband that banned broadband providers from:

- Blocking access to legal content, applications, and services
- Throttling the degradation of lawful content
- Impairing access to content, applications, and services
- Prioritizing Internet traffic in exchange for "consideration of any kind"
   —no "fast lanes"

## **GLOBAL NET NEUTRALITY**

