



# How to Test the Streaming Abilities and Speeds of PIA VPN



# Test the Streaming Abilities of Private Internet Access



## Before accessing a streaming service, here's what you will need:

**An active Private Internet Access subscription.** If you need a testing key, please contact us at [press@privateinternetaccess.com](mailto:press@privateinternetaccess.com).

**An active streaming service subscription.** Some platforms ask users to be registered in the region they're trying to access. In such situations, you may need to change the location associated with your account before getting more content.

**A browser.** We recommend you use Google Chrome. Just make sure you clear your cache and cookies before streaming.

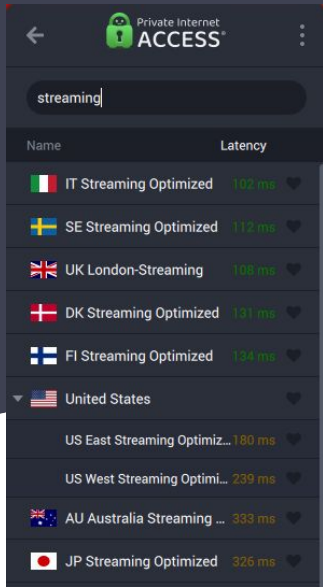
**An active connection to a Private Internet Access server.** For the best performance, use the WireGuard® protocol.

**No other VPN connections active.**

## Start Streaming with Private Internet Access

- Open your Private Internet Access app.
- Go to the region selection menu.
- Connect to a country where the streaming service is available.
- Once the VPN connection is established, use your browser to access the streaming platform.
- Enjoy your content!

# Discover the optimized streaming servers in the app



## Find the Best Server for Your Needs

Some streaming services can be enjoyed using general traffic servers located in the region; others have optimized servers. Here are your connection options.

Streaming platform	Country	Compatible with general servers	Optimized server available
NETFLIX Disney+ prime hulu	US	✓	✓
HBO MAX xEUROSPORT	US	✓	✓
YouTubeTV crunchyroll NBC Sports	US	✗	✓
NETFLIX CBC	Canada	✓	✗
NETFLIX prime BBC iPlayer	UK	✗	✓
NETFLIX	AU, BR, NL, TR	✓	✗
Sevens	Austria	✓	✗
play+ S NOW	Australia	✗	✓
auvio	Belgium	✓	✗
NETFLIX HBO MAX prime	Denmark	✓	✓
HBO MAX C MORE YLE ruutu	Finland	✓	✓
NETFLIX france-tv CANAL+	France	✓	✗
NETFLIX Disney+ hotstar	India	✓	✗
prime Rai Play	Italy	✓	✓
NETFLIX Disney+	Italy	✗	✓
AbemaTV U-NEXT	Japan	✗	✓
NETFLIX prime	Japan	✗	✓
NETFLIX HBO MAX	Spain	✓	✗
NETFLIX HBO MAX C MORE TV4 Play	Sweden	✓	✓

# Test the Speeds of Private Internet Access



To understand the speeds Private Internet Access can offer users, you will need to perform two tests:

- One with a VPN connection active
- One without.

1. Launch a Private Internet Access connection, then go to [speedtest.net](https://speedtest.net) and let it choose the best location.

Two browser screenshots. The left one shows the speedtest.net interface with download and upload speeds of 105.38 and 226.51 respectively. The right one shows iplocation.net displaying the user's IP address as 191.96.227.151 and location as New York City, New York (US).

The left screenshot shows the speedtest.net interface. It displays a download speed of 105.38 Mbps and an upload speed of 226.51 Mbps. The ping is 111 ms. The interface also shows a 'GO' button and a 'Connection' section with a router image. Below that, there are links for 'T-Mobile', 'Metro by T-Mobile', and 'Fortnite'.

The right screenshot shows the iplocation.net interface. It displays the user's IP address as 191.96.227.151 and their location as New York City, New York (US). The interface also includes a 'POPULAR TOOLS' section with links like 'DNS Lookup', 'Who is Hosting a Website', and 'Alexa Traffic Rank Checker'.

Write down the speed test server. In our example, it's *Optimum Online* in New York, USA. You can also check your IP address using [iplocation.net](https://iplocation.net).

Now, open a new incognito or private window and move to the next step.

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2. Disconnect from Private Internet Access, then perform another test on the same speed test server.

The left screenshot shows a Speedtest result for a connection to a server in Regina Maria. The download speed is 177.08 Mbps and the upload speed is 680.00 Mbps. The ping is 108 ms. The test was performed on a Windows 10 system using a Chrome browser. The right screenshot shows an IP location lookup for the IP address 85.9.3.46, which is identified as being in Bucharest, Romania. The IP address is also shown to be associated with GTS Telecom. The page includes various security tools and advertisements.

And there you have it! These tests will help you evaluate the speeds Private Internet Access can offer you compared to your regular internet connection.

**For more details and assistance, don't hesitate to contact us.**