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Information and Communication Technologies Usage in Households and by Individuals 2008

Broadband in 86% of households with Internet connection

In the first quarter of 2008, 49,8% of households had access to a computer at home and 46% to the Internet. For 85,5% of households with Internet connection, the access was done through broadband. For individuals aged 16 to 74 years old, the computer was used by 45,9% and the Internet by 41,9%.

Information and Communication Technologies in Households

In the first quarter of 2008, approximately half of all households had access to a computer¹ and 46% to the Internet at home; between these, 85,5% (39,3% of the total households) made the connection through broadband. Compared to 2004, there is an increase of the number of households with these technologies, translated by an average annual growth of 35,2% for the broadband connection, 16,4% for the Internet connection and of 5,9% in the access to the computer at home.

Information and Communication Technologies: usage by individuals

In the first quarter of 2008, the computer was used by 45,9% of all individuals aged 16 to 74 years old and the Internet by 41,9%. Compared to 2004, the average annual growth rates reveal that the usage of computer and Internet has grown 5,5% and 9,5%, respectively.

¹ Desktop computer, portable computer and PDA.