# Can WiMAX Weather the Economic Storm?

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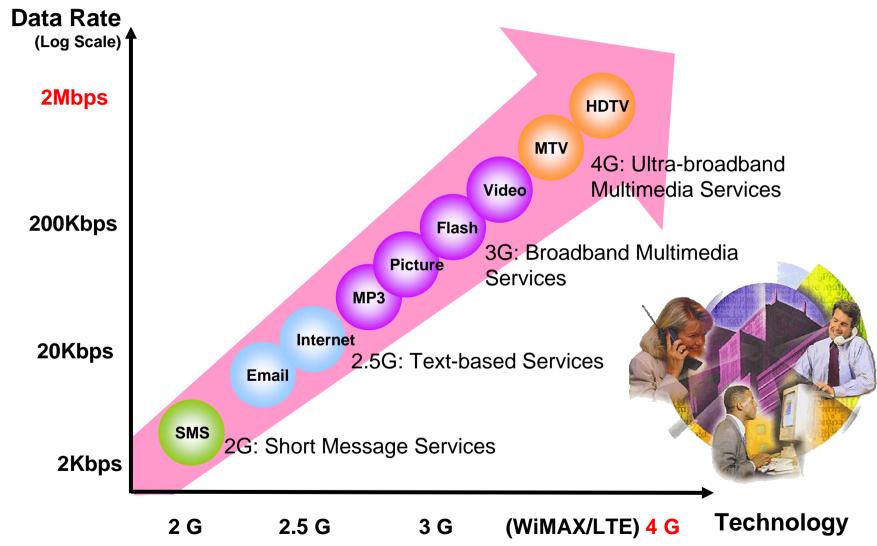
## **Contemporaneous Economic Downturns**



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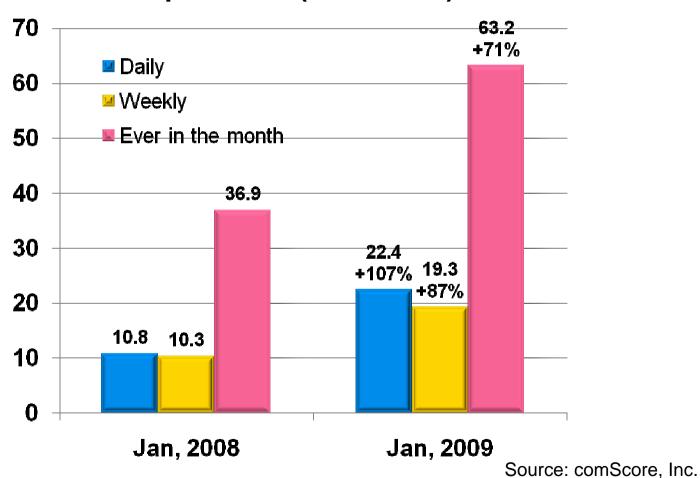
## **User Experience & Lifestyle Shift**





## **Mobile Internet Growth Despite Recession**

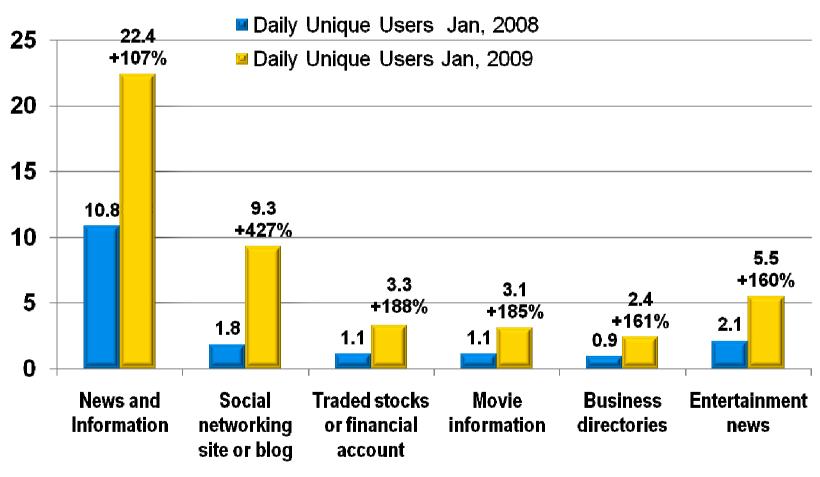
## Accessed News & Information by Unique Users (in millions)





## Fast-Growing Mobile Data by Categories

#### Fastest-Growing Categories by Unique Users (in millions)



Source: comScore, Inc.



## **Strong Demand for Mobile Entertainment**

Top Mobile Internet Website Categories - BRIC, US, Europe							
		Brazil	Russia	India	China	US	Europe
	1	Email (57%)	Entertainment (34%)	Games (38%)	Entertainment (55%)	Email (65%)	Email (46%)
Top 5 Website	2	Music (27%)	Search (29%)	Email (33%)	Games (36%)	Weather (41%)	Search (25%)
(% Mobile Internet Users)	3	Entertainment (25%)	Email (24%)	Entertainment (21%)	Music (31%)	Search (29%)	News/Politics (24%)
	4	Games (18%)	Music (24%)	Music (18%)	News/Politics (26%)	News/Politics (26%)	Weather (24%)
	5	News/Politics & Movies (tied 12%)	Games (24%)	Sports (15%)	Business/Finan ce (18%)	City Guides/Maps (24%)	Sports (22%)

Source: Neilson, Mobile Media Marketplace report - BRIC, US, Europe, Q1 2008



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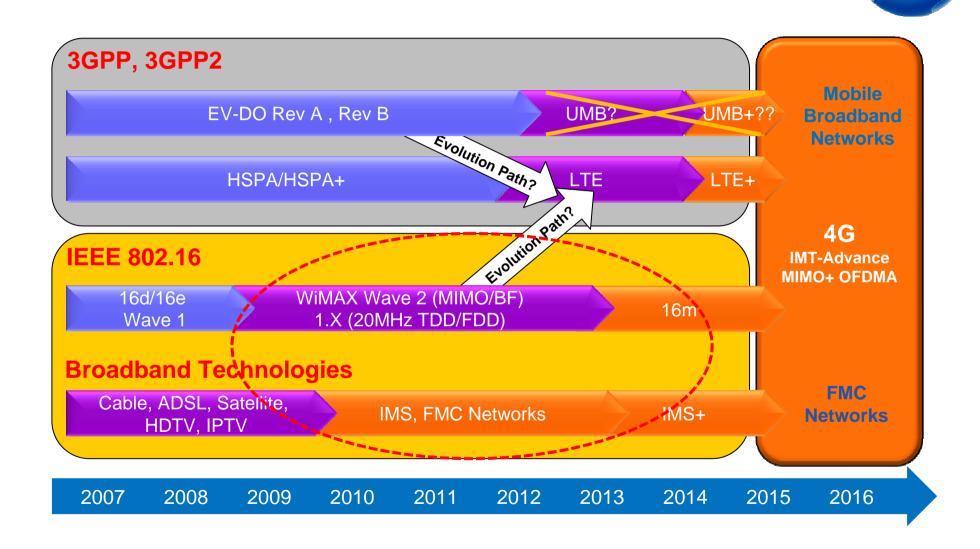
#### \$787 billion economic stimulus bill

- \$7.2 billion for improving the U.S. broadband infrastructure
  - \$2.5 billion for the Rural Utilities Service (RUS)
  - \$4.7 billion to the U.S. National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA)
    - \$1 billion going to wireless broadband projects
  - \$350 million would go toward a national program to map areas that don't have broadband access.
- To qualify for the bulk of the broadband money:
  - A wired broadband provider has to deploy a service offering 45 Mbps on the downlink
  - A wireless broadband provider need 3 Mbps
- WiMAX technology is ready for deployment
  - Downlink > 3 Mbps, Uplink > 500Kbps



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## WiMAX/LTE & Broadband Evolution Paths



## **Healthy WiMAX Ecosystem**

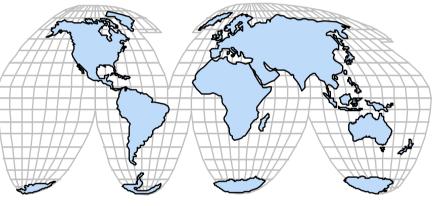


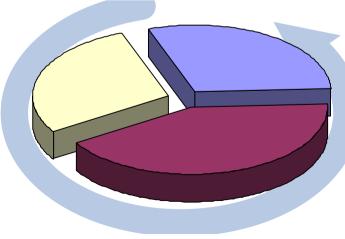
WiMAX Forum projects that India will boast more than 27.5 million WiMAX users by 2012, over 70 % Mobile WiMAX or portable subscribers













**Operators** 









## **Ecosystem is Growing & Beginning to Scale**

Over 400 WiMAX deployments in 130 countries, over 100 Mobile WiMAX deployments

Over 480 WiMAX-enabled devices in development by over 80 suppliers Major WiMAX spectrum auctions on the horizon



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## **Main Application Scenarios of WiMAX**



#### **Broadband Access**

- ◆ Fixed & Nomadic
- ◆ 2.5G,2.3G,3.3G,3.5G
- Wireless ADSL, WiFi-like application
- ◆ Fixed operators as BT, TI, etc
- Data services
- Non-seamless coverage,
   hotspot coverage
- Terminal: Modem, IAD,WiFi+WiMAX, CPE

#### **Mobile Broadband**

- Medium-speed or High-speed
- ♦ 2.3G, 2.5G
- ♦ HSPA-like application
- Cellular operators as Sprint, KT, etc.
- Data & VOIP services
- ♦ Seamless coverage
  - Terminal: cards, handsets, hand-hold consumer devices



## **Scalable Network Deployment**



CPE with Fixed
Outdoor Antenna

**Indoor CPE** 

**Mobile device** 







>3KM >3KM ~<mark>0.5KM</mark> ~0.5KM

Initial Phasee

Expand Phase

Mature Phase

## **Trend of Telecom-to-Internet Business Models**

**Telecom** 

**Internet** 

Content & Content & Applications

Services

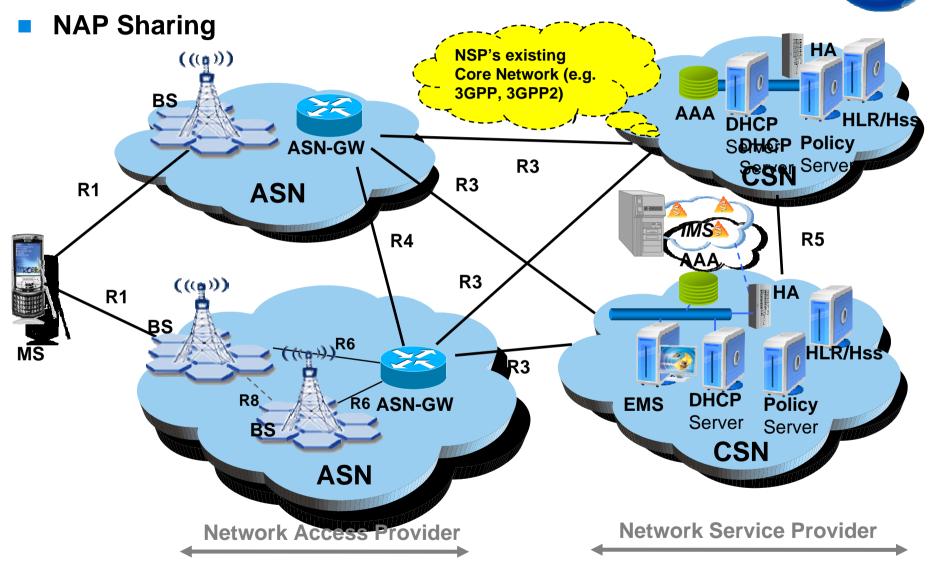
Services

Telecom & Telecom & Transport

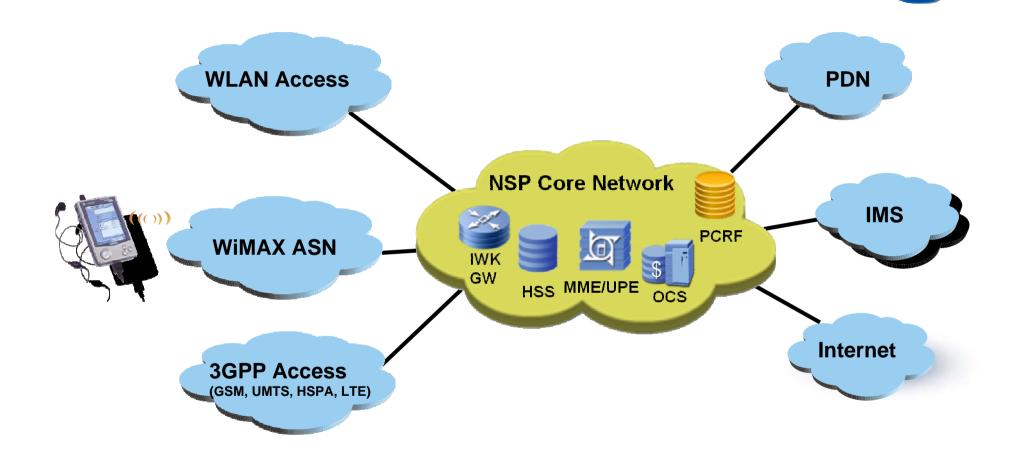
Provided by Sprint Nextel



#### **Flexible Network Architecture**

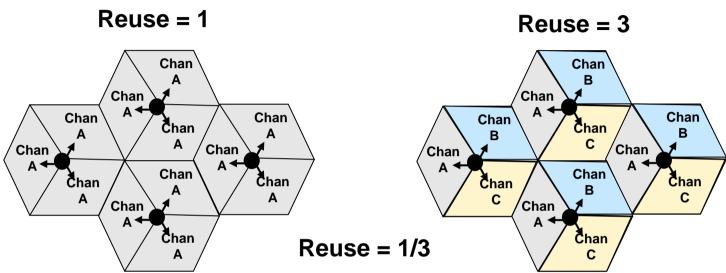


## Flexible Service Provider Business Models





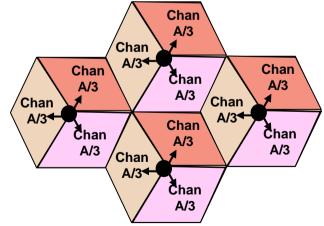
## Flexible Support for Global Spectrum



Flexible Duplexing
• TDD, FDD & H-FDD

Flexible Channel BW

• 5, 7, 8.75, 10 MHz



Multiple Freq. Bands

- 2.3 GHz, 2.5 GHz
- 3.5 GHz
- Sub 1-GHz

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## WiMAX is Off and Running

#### Operators of different types have embraced WiMAX

- Fixed telcos, such as large cable operators, CLECs, even a few mobile operators, and new entrants, have embraced WiMAX, particularly in emerging markets
- Mostly fixed or portable broadband services the next frontier for growth
- Low TCO with lower CAPEX and OPEX

#### Time-to market advantage

- Demands for fast Internet access
- Technology to deliver speed to market fast
- Latest technology to provide competitive edge over 3G

## WiMAX Case Study: Products & Services

- ◆ 70% of the city is currently blanketed in WiMAX signals
- Prices for the service start at \$10 for 24 hours of unlimited usage, \$25 for monthly home Internet service, and \$30 for monthly on-the-go service, both home networks and mobile \$50 per month



## **WiMAX Enabled Terminals and Devices**



- High speed Internet
- Wireless Gaming, Video, HDTV, etc.



2007 2008 2009 2010 2011

## More Than 250 Operator Trials & Deployments



## **Mobile Broadband Future**







Broadband services today setting a new benchmark for mobile broadband solutions



Mobility and broadband convergence – the future digital lifestyle



4G time-to-market leadership by WiMAX



4G standard for all parties



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