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## Overview

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How many 5G sites are there in South Africa?

“We have 1,568 5G capacity sites in South Africa,” they said. According to the mobile operator’s coverage maps, these 5G capacity sites appear to be focused in South Africa’s metropolitan areas, including Johannesburg, Pretoria, Cape Town, and Durban.

How many 5G sites has MTN deployed in 2024?

This year has seen the deployment of 145 new base stations, the modernisation of more than 400 sites, and capacity upgrades to more than 1,000 sites. MTN has also concluded the 5G 2024 deployment programme scope and has deployed 5G on more than 900 sites in 2024. We continue to use the midband spectrum to expand 5G coverage in the country.

Does MTN South Africa have a 5G network?

It also offers limited coverage in areas surrounding Polokwane, East London, Gqeberha, and Bloemfontein. MTN South Africa CEO Charles Molapisi recently stated that the network operator would dial back its 5G rollout to focus its investments on battery backups and generators for its towers.

Should South Africa deploy a 5G non-stand-alone network?

intervention may be required. It is apparent that most South African network operators have deployed 5G Non-Stand-Alone (NSA) networks, which will allow them to see their return on investment (ROI). However, further development is dependent on business ca



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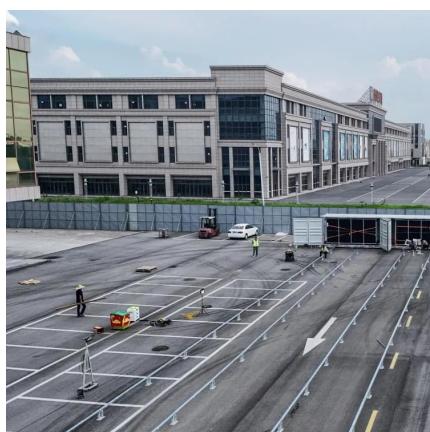
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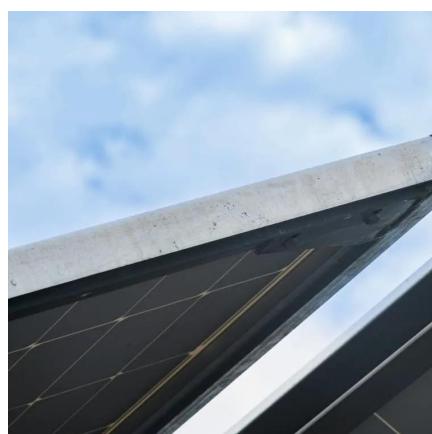
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