


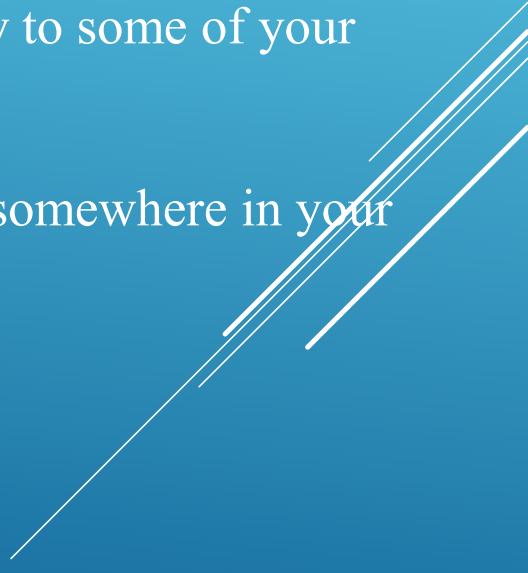
CUTTING THE CORD

My experience replacing COX TV

A couple of points before we start:

1. There is no “One size fits all” solution.
 2. You need to know what you are paying for Cox TV service.
 3. I am not going to tell you what streaming device or streaming service is best.
 4. I will try to keep it as non-technical as possible, but we will have to touch on a couple of technical concepts.
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Overview of Streaming:

1. The Internet signal enters your house on a coax cable from Cox.
 2. That coax cable connects to a Modem.
 3. The Modem connects to a Router.
 4. The Router sends a signal to the devices in your house – and probably to some of your neighbors.
 5. The Modem and Router are probably located in an electronics closet somewhere in your house.
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Is your home ready for Streaming?:

1. Is your Modem at least DOCSIS 3.0?
2. Does your router support 2.4 ghz and 5 ghz? (Dual Band) 802.11N vs 802.11AC
3. Are your TVs Wifi ready? (have USB ports).
4. What Internet speed are you receiving?
 - a. Cox is providing 150 mbps, but that's probably not what you are receiving.
 - b. Test the speed using the Speed Test on the Cox website, or SPEEDTEST.NET
 - c. You need about 15 mbps to stream to a TV (25 mbps for 4K) .
If it drops, you get the dreaded BUFFERING.

What effects Streaming?:

1. The number of devices sharing the bandwidth.
 2. The distance of the TVs from the router.
 3. The WIFI band being used. 2.4 ghz vs 5 ghz.
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Your Modem, Router, and TVs are all streaming ready–Now What!?:

1. What are your viewing habits?

Live or “On Demand”?

Lots of Sports?

Local channels, PBS?

How many TVs are being watched at any one time?

2. Make a list of the channels you watch regularly. “Must Haves” and “Nice to Haves”.

3. Use SUPPOSE.TV to help find what streaming services have most of the channels you want, plus what streaming devices they work with.

4. Buy a Streaming Device, based on the most likely Streaming Service you will use.
Roku, AppleTV, Amazon Firestick, Etc.

5. Select the Streaming services you want to try. (YoutubeTV, HULU, Amazon Prime, etc.)

Most have “Free Trials”

No Long Term contracts

Cancel at any time

And you can try them while still using Cox. So no risk.


Select

your preferred channels

Prioritize

by dragging up or down

Refine

get more 

save more \$

1+ simultaneous stream

DVR required

Any Provider

Any Device

search channels



Showing top 44 of 7,504,029,420,617,728 combinations analyzed



Local

- ABC - WVEC
- CBS - WTKR
- FOX - WVBT
- NBC - WAVY

show more



Premium


- HBO
- Showtime
- STARZ

show more

Entertainment

- CBS - on demand
- FOX - on demand
- NBC - on demand
- TNT
- USA
- AMC
- A&E
- TBS
- FX

-  ABC - WVEC
-  CBS - WTKR



Drag your channels
to prioritize and
♥ your must-haves

BEST FIT

hulu +1>
Live TV

\$44.99 /mo
see offers worth \$83




CBS

+ 66 more channels
2 streams
14 devices
notes

1 Hulu offer

Free Trial

3 device offers

 Fire TV Stick

 Roku Express

 Fire TV with 4K

YouTube
YouTube TV

\$49.99 /mo
see offers worth \$8




CBS


+ 76 more channels
3 streams
12 devices
notes

1 YouTube offer

Free Trial

3 device offers

 Roku Ultra

 Roku Express+

 Apple TV 4K

dish +1>
LATINO Clasico
+ DISH Local

\$51.99 /mo
see offer worth \$71



CBS

+ 95 more channels
5 streams
5 devices
notes

1 DISH offer

12 Free PPV Movies

DIRECTV NOW
Plus
+ CBS All Access

\$55.99 /mo
see offers worth \$31



CBS

+ 53 more channels
2+ streams
10+ devices
notes

2 DirecTV Now offers

\$15 Off First 2 Mo.

\$50/mo Internet

1 CBS All Access offer

Free Trial

PlayStation Vue +1>
Access
+ CBS All Access

\$55.98 /mo
see offers worth \$10



CBS

+ 50 more channels
2+ streams
11+ devices
notes

1 PlayStation Vue offer

Free Trial

1 CBS All Access offer

Free Trial

3 device offers

DIRECTV +1>
Select 155+

\$84.42 /mo
see offers worth \$837



CBS

+ 102 more channels
3 streams
6 devices
notes

1 DirecTV offer

\$100 Visa Cards

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 Alert Me

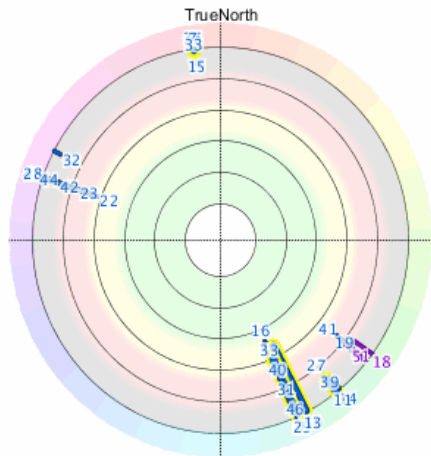
My Solution:

1. We like live TV.
 2. No one streaming service met our needs.
 3. We used an antenna in the attic for local channels for news / weather and PBS, etc.
 4. YoutubeTV provided about 95% of the channels we wanted.
 5. PHILO provided the rest.
 6. We got NETFLIX from my son for free.
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OVER THE AIR CHANNELS

Using TVFOOL.COM

All Channels



Search Criteria

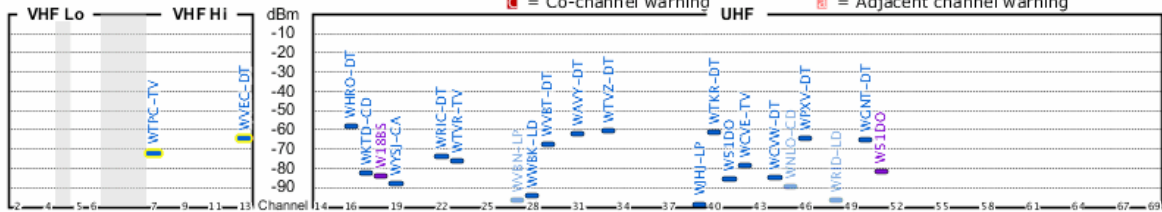
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williamsburg, VA
Postal code 23188
Height: 20.0 ft.

db datecode
201801291705

www.tvfool.com

Call sign	Channel	Real	(Virt)	Netwk	Signal	Dist	Azimuth
					NM(dB)	miles	True (Mag)
WHRO-DT	16	(15.1)		PBS	32.5	36.2	156° (166°)
WTVZ-DT	33	(33.1)		MyN	30.6	36.2	156° (166°)
WTKR-DT	40	(3.1)		CBS	29.7	36.2	156° (166°)
WAVY-DT	31	(10.1)		NBC	28.7	35.3	156° (167°)
WPXV-DT	46	(49.1)		ION	26.6	36.2	156° (166°)
WVEC-DT	13	(13.1)		ABC	26.6	36.6	153° (163°)
WGNT-DT	50	(27.1)		CW	25.8	37.0	153° (163°)
WVBT-DT	29	(43.1)		Fox	23.2	35.3	156° (167°)
WTPC-TV	7				19.0	36.2	156° (166°)
WRIC-DT	22	(8.1)		ABC	17.4	48.3	289° (300°)
WTVR-TV	23			CBS	14.5	48.3	289° (300°)
WCVE-TV	42	(23.1)		PBS	12.6	48.3	289° (300°)
WKTD-CD	17				8.1	35.3	156° (167°)
WCVW-DT	44	(57.1)		PBS	5.9	48.3	289° (300°)
W51DO	41	(51.1)			5.6	23.0	129° (139°)
WYSJ-CA	19				2.8	23.0	129° (139°)
WNLO-CD	45				1.6	35.3	156° (167°)
W51DO	51				-2.6	23.0	129° (139°)
WWBK-LD	28				-3.0	48.3	289° (300°)
W18BS	18				-5.1	23.5	126° (137°)
WRID-LD	48	(48.1)			-5.5	48.3	289° (300°)
WVBN-LP	27	(18.1)			-6.0	37.4	142° (152°)
WJHJ-LP	39	(39.1)			-7.6	37.4	142° (152°)
WGBS-LD	11				-9.7	37.4	142° (152°)
WBTD-LD	43				-10.6	35.3	156° (167°)
WZTD-LD	45				-14.5	48.3	289° (300°)
W14DC-D	14				-14.8	39.6	140° (151°)
WVIR-DT	32	(29.1)		NBC	-15.4	105.4	298° (308°)
WFDC-DT	15	(14.1)		Uni	-17.3	115.2	352° (2°)
WHUT-TV	33	(32.1)		PBS	-18.5	115.9	352° (2°)
WJLA-TV	7	(7.1)		ABC	-18.7	115.9	352° (2°)
WTTG	36	(5.1)		Fox	-19.1	116.3	352° (2°)
WUSA	9			CBS	-19.4	115.9	352° (2°)
WPXW-DT	34	(66.1)		ION	-19.6	115.9	352° (2°)
WRC-DT	48	(4.1)		NBC	-20.7	115.2	352° (2°)
WDCW	50	(50.1)		CW	-20.9	116.3	353° (4°)
WMAR-TV	38	(2.1)		ABC	-22.0	141.3	3° (13°)
WDCA	35	(20.1)		MyN	-22.0	116.3	352° (2°)
WRAY-DT	42	(30.1)		Ind	-22.2	126.3	218° (228°)
WLFL-DT	27	(22.1)		CW	-22.2	148.2	222° (232°)
WNUV-DT	40	(54.1)		CW	-23.6	141.4	3° (13°)
WNVY-DT	30	(30.1)		Ind	-23.8	99.4	339° (349°)
WBOC-DT	21	(16.1)		CBS	-24.0	104.1	36° (46°)
WMDT-DT	47	(47.1)		ABC	-25.0	101.0	34° (44°)
WVPT	11			PBS	-25.1	151.9	294° (305°)
WBFF	46	(45.1)		Fox	-25.2	141.4	3° (13°)
WNCN	17	(17.1)		NBC	-25.4	148.2	222° (232°)
WTVB	11	(11.1)		ABC	-25.5	148.7	222° (232°)
WNVY-DT	24	(30.1)		Ind	-25.8	112.2	347° (358°)
WVDE	5				-26.0	120.7	18° (28°)
WHTJ	46	(41.1)		PBS	-26.3	105.5	298° (308°)

C = Co-channel warning A = Adjacent channel warning




My Equipment Costs:

1. Antenna	\$145.00
2. TABLO (antenna DVR unit)	\$143.00
3. 5 Roku units	\$239.95
4. Router	<u>\$315.00</u>
5. Total	\$842.95

My Streaming Service costs: March 2019

1. YOUTUBETV \$40 / month.
2. PHILO \$16 / month.
3. TABLO TV Guide \$4.99 / month.
4. TOTAL = \$60.99 / month vs \$128.44 for COX = a monthly saving of \$67.45.
5. HOWEVER!!!! Since I cut the cord in March, YOUTUBETV has added several channels and raised it's price and is now \$49.99.
6. Also, PHILO's price is now \$20 / month for new customers, but I am grandfathered.
7. So my current saving is now \$57.46 / month.

My Streaming Service costs:

1. BUT! YoutubeTV has added some channels that I have PHILO for. If they add a couple more I will drop PHILO and save \$16 / month.
 2. Also, I am finding that I rarely use the antenna channels, so I may drop the TABLO TV guide and save \$4.99 / month.
 3. Bottom line – the streaming environment is constantly changing.
 4. Streaming services raise their prices too!!!
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In Summary:

1. Your Modem and Router need to be reasonably current.
2. Make sure your TVs can be connected to a Streaming Device.
3. Determine your viewing preferences. Live vs On Demand.
4. Match your Streaming device (Roku) to your selected Streaming service. (HULU, YoutubeTV, etc.).
5. Find a Streaming service or services that provide the content you want. (SUPPOSE.TV).
6. Hit your kids up for NETFLIX.
7. Take your Cox TV devices back to Cox and start enjoying a bit of extra cash each month while actually having MORE viewing options.
8. Periodically check for better / cheaper Streaming services!
New ones are being started all the time and the old ones are adding new channels constantly. CLIKIA, EXPEDITE, DISNEY

Info Websites:

DIGITAL CITIZEN

DISABLEMYCABLE.COM

Speed Test Websites:

SPEEDTEST.NET

FAST.COM

SPEEDOF.ME

TESTMY.NET

NETCONSONANCE.COM

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5G is coming!

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