

Can You Use Two NBN Sockets in Your Home?

What You Need to Know

If you're setting up NBN (National Broadband Network) in Australia, you might be wondering whether it's possible to use two wall sockets for internet activation. The short answer is: it depends on what you mean by "use", and understanding the details can save you unnecessary costs.

1. One NBN Connection per Home

NBN is designed to provide one connection point per premises. This usually comes in the form of an NBN wall socket, which connects to an NTD (Network Termination Device).

- Even if your home has multiple NBN-style sockets, only one can be officially activated for your internet plan.
- You cannot independently activate multiple sockets for a single service.

2. Using Multiple Sockets Internally

If you want internet access in different rooms, there are practical ways to do this without extra charges:

1. **Ethernet Cabling:** Connect the main NBN socket to other rooms using wired Ethernet. This provides fast, reliable internet.
2. **Wi-Fi Mesh Systems:** Extend Wi-Fi coverage across the house, so devices in different rooms stay connected.

3. *Powerline Adapters*: Send internet signals through your home's electrical wiring to reach rooms without extra cabling.

Important: These methods still rely on the single active NBN connection in your home—they don't require paying for a second plan.

3. Costs of Using Multiple Sockets

- *Using additional sockets internally*: No extra cost, as long as it's part of the same NBN connection.
- *Requesting a second NBN service for another socket*: This will cost extra since this is treated as a completely separate plan.

Most customers don't need a second subscription. Clever use of cabling, Wi-Fi mesh, or powerline adapters usually covers the whole house efficiently.

Summary

Question	Answer
Can I activate 2 NBN sockets independently?	No, only one socket is activated per home.
Can I use multiple sockets in different rooms?	Yes, via internal wiring, mesh Wi-Fi, or powerline adapters.
Will it cost more?	Only if you request a second, separate NBN plan.

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