

Controlling mobile data usage on iOS enabled devices

There are various measures you can take to avoid unnecessary data consumption.

TIP: Turn off mobile data when not in use



- To turn off mobile data, tap on the **'Settings'** icon.
- Select **'Cellular'**
- Slide the **'Cellular Data'** toggle to **'off'**.

TIP: Switch to a Wi-Fi connection whenever this is available



- To connect to an available wireless network, tap on the **'Settings'** icon.
- Select **'Wi-Fi'**
- Slide the **'Wi-Fi'** toggle to **'on'**.

TIP: Set your Apps to update automatically whilst connected to Wi-Fi

Automatic updates of your applications are often carried out in the background and may consume a considerable amount from your data package. To avoid this, make sure that you update Apps using WiFi by following these simple steps.

- Go to the **'Settings'** icon.
- Scroll down and select the **'iTunes and App Store'** option. Then scroll all the way down towards the bottom until you see **'Automatic Downloads'**.
- Under **'Automatic Downloads'** swipe the toggle button of the **'Update's'** option to **'Off'**.

TIP: Restrict background data

Some Apps may continue running in the background, even if they are not in use, and consequently will consume a considerable amount from your data package. In this case, you might want to restrict that particular App from using your mobile data.

- Go to the **'Settings'** icon.
- Select **'General'**

- Select **'Background App Refresh'**
- Swiping the **'Background App Refresh'** toggle to **'Off'** will restrict background data of ALL applications. Alternatively, you can swipe the toggle to **'On'** to have the facility of restricting background data of individual applications.

TIP: Turn off push notifications

Whenever you receive a new email or incoming news from your social media accounts, you will receive a notification. Such notifications will consume your mobile data. If you wish to turn off push notifications all you need to do is follow these simple steps.



- Go to the **'Settings'** icon.
- Select **'Notifications'**. A list of apps that support push notifications will appear
- Select the Apps which you would like to disable the push notifications and swipe the toggle of **'Allow Notifications'** to **'Off'**.

TIP: Monitor your mobile data consumption

Monitor your data usage by using the in-built application on your mobile. Alternatively you can download other applications to track data usage.



- Go to the **'Settings'** icon.
- Select **'Cellular'**. Upon scrolling down you will have a view of the amount of data used for each application since the last statistics reset.
- Scrolling all the way to the bottom you will find a **'Reset Statistics'** option. By selecting this option, you will reset the data for all your applications back to **'0'** and can therefore monitor usage on a daily basis.

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