



Enter PIN to lock SIM. 2 attempts remaining.

Add an Additional Layer of Protection
to your iPhone and iPad Cellular Data
by Enabling a SIM PIN





What is SIM PIN?

Protecting your information on your device is paramount. On your device, you may have enabled Touch ID/Face ID, along with an alpha-numeric passcode. But what happens if a person gets hold of the SIM card of your stolen or lost device?

The perpetrator can put the SIM card in another device and do any of the following:

- Access important data
- Make calls
- Send text messages
- Run up data usage
- Access two-factor authentication by receiving text messages

Enabling a SIM PIN for your iPhone or iPad will protect your SIM card, preventing thieves from viewing your texts, calls, etc. With this PIN enabled, a thief could swap your SIM card into their device but needs to enter a PIN to allow use of it. If the PIN is incorrectly entered three times, it will be permanently locked.

Carrier's default SIM PIN

Every wireless provider has their own default SIM PIN. You can contact your wireless provider to find out the default PIN for your SIM card. These codes vary company by company but for:

- Sprint and T-Mobile: 1234
- AT&T and Verizon: 1111

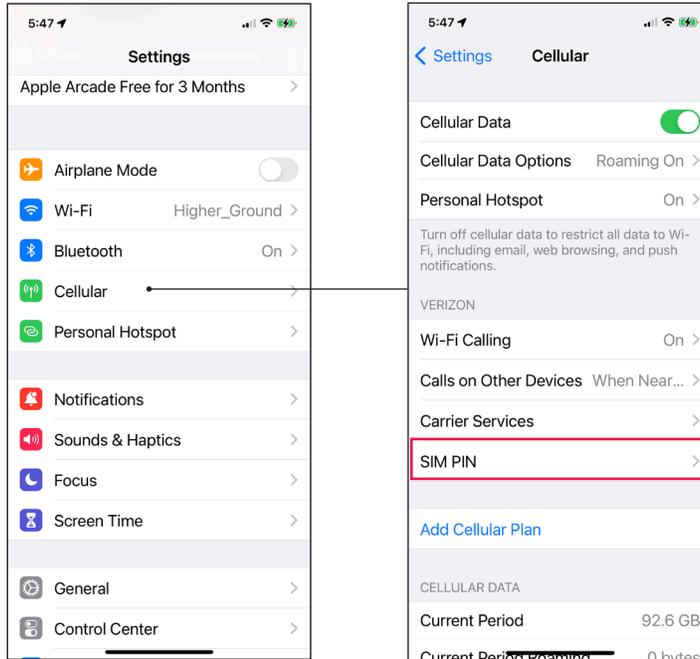
NOTE: Do not try to guess your SIM PIN. You only get a certain number of wrong entries before your SIM card is permanently locked and then you will need to obtain a new SIM.



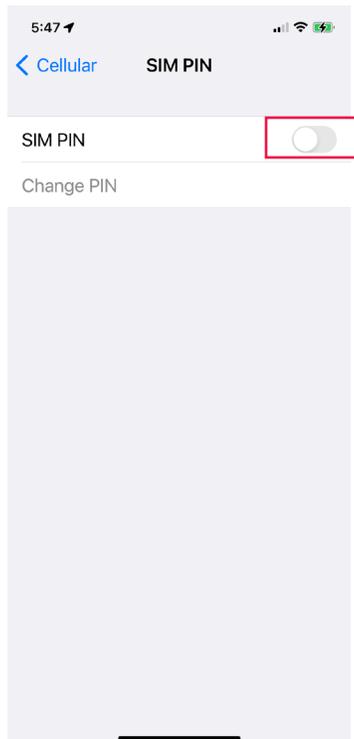


Turn your SIM PIN on

1. On iPhone, go to Settings > Cellular > SIM PIN. On iPad, go to Settings > Mobile Data > SIM PIN

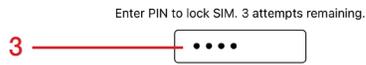


2. Turn on your SIM PIN.





3. If asked, enter the default SIM PIN from your carrier.
4. Tap Done.



You will want to secure your SIM card by changing the PIN from the default carrier PIN.



Changing your SIM PIN

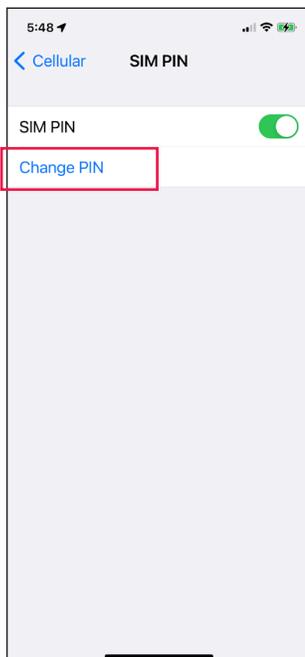
1. On the Settings screen, tap Cellular.



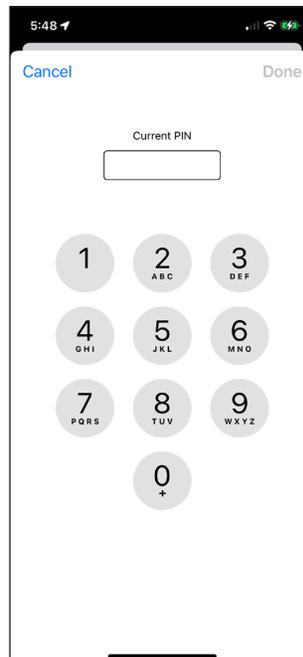
2. Select SIM PIN.



3. Tap Change PIN.

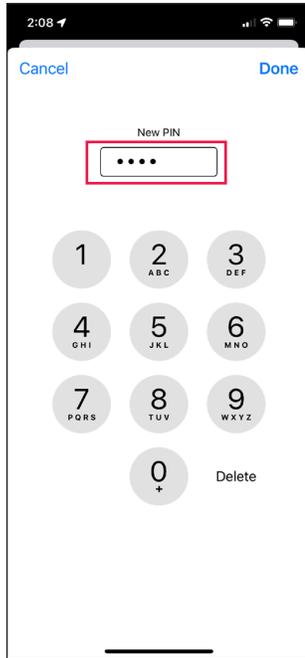


4. Enter your current PIN (the carrier default).

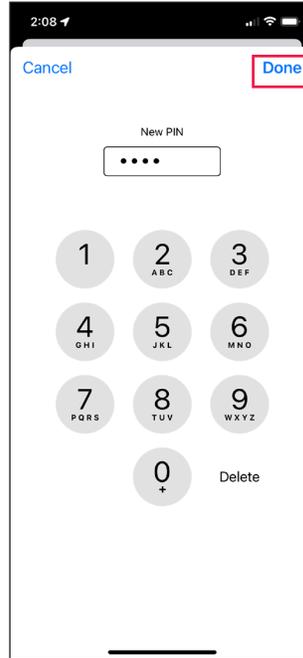




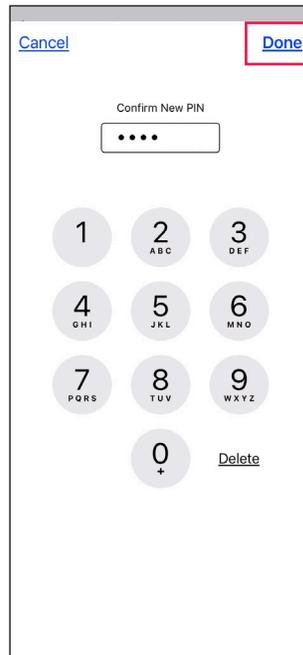
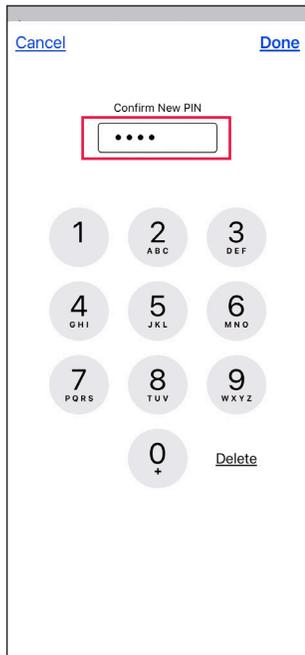
5. Enter your new PIN.



6. Tap Done.



7. Enter the new PIN again to confirm the change. 8. Tap Done.





Every time you restart your device or remove the SIM card, your SIM card will automatically lock and you'll see "SIM is locked" in the status bar. Enter your PIN and tap OK. Your SIM will unlock.

