


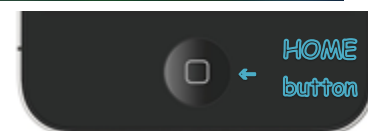
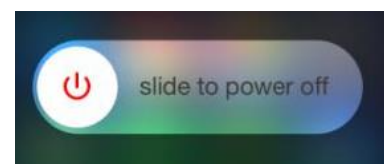


iPhone: Strength in Numbers

The signal bars at the top (left) corner of your iPhone don't always reflect the exact strength of your signal. Yes, three bars are lit up – but you're not feeling the love and wondering if it's accurate.

Well, you can have your iPhone (sorry Droids! <snicker><snicker>) display the EXACT signal strength...in numbers.

1. Open up the dialing screen.
2. Enter *3001#12345#* (yes...including the opening and closing asterisks (*))
3. Press the Call  button. (This will put your phone into field-test mode).
4. Now hold down Power/Lock button (on top of your phone) until the Slide-to-Power-Off screen comes up.
5. Now hold down the HOME button for 6 seconds.
6. Your HOME screen will re-appear – but now you'll have (accurate) *numbers* representing your signal strength instead of bars.
7. AND...you can switch back (and forth) between the numbers and bars any time you want...by just tapping the numbers (or bars) from this point forward. Although once you have the numbers...you won't likely want to go back to the bars.



WHAT DO THE NUMBERS MEAN?

The numbers are negative...so the closer to ZERO, the better. (They NEVER get close to zero though).

Between -40 and -77 means a good, strong signal strength.

Anything lower than -100 is yucky (weak and unreliable).

There you go.