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Subject: Re: Are iPods obsolete?

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I think they were obsolete as a stationary sound source since their inception. I've been using winamp since 2001 and couldn't be happier. The sound quality on these things is just not acceptable nor can it be micromanaged the way I like

I'm waiting until netbooks get small enough to replace them until I really worry about portable music. It's getting close, definitely the new tech is still going to be able to load Windows XP for some time with "customized" versions of the OS slipstreaming driver support for technology not even compatible with the OS.

I'm running XP right now on a computer built for Vista that instantly BSODs when attempting to even install official versions of XP due to hardware incompatibilities.

It's an open secret that XP has become the new Linux in a way with multiple builds floating around. Bill Gates could care less too. He knows you probably bought a copy of his newest OS when you bought your computer anyway, it doesn't matter to them if you wipe the HDD and install an older version.

Sorry to get a bit sidetracked, but there are a ton of options that will work for a long long time that make ipods look like a Sony Walkman tape player technologically and quality wise. There have been cell phone sized computers running full on XP for a few years as well.

This is another area that I hate to sound snobbish about, but I don't see audio enthusiasts embracing it at all. The "audiophile" ipod that was released at some point was laughably bad when reviewed by sound experts.

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