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Subject: Re: Longest you've used a cartridge  
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Opinions differ, but not by much. The general consensus appears to be that a stylus lasts between 300 and 1000 hours. Some say shape matters, and most say that tracking weight matters too. All agree that stylus and record care and cleaning are important as well.

Audio-Technica on stylus longevity

Ortofon on stylus wear

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