Subject: Satellite Radio
Posted by Scoot on Sun, 14 Nov 2010 15:11:42 GMT
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I'm looking into satellite radio, to use both at home and in the car. I listen mostly to alternative music and football games. Should I go with XM or Sirius?

Subject: Re: Satellite Radio
Posted by NoDirections on Wed, 24 Nov 2010 01:48:13 GMT
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More people use XM, which might be due to the fact that it's slightly cheaper and can be used on 5 home/car radios as opposed ro Sirius' 4 radio limit per user. I don't use either, so I can't offer much more info.

Subject: Re: Satellite Radio
Posted by compguy on Fri, 03 Dec 2010 00:58:41 GMT
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Sirius radio and XM radio have merged, so eventually you will be subscribing to just one company in the near future. They each offered different programming unique to both, but now you get it all in one company. However, since it is just one company, there is no competition so prices may reflect this by rising slightly.

Subject: Re: Satellite Radio
Posted by Scoot on Mon, 03 Jan 2011 12:21:57 GMT
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They have merged? Guess I've been living under a rock! Well, that does make the decision easier. Thanks for the info, and I hope the price doesn't go up!

Subject: Re: Satellite Radio
Posted by Hoptoit on Sun, 16 Jan 2011 21:06:06 GMT
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Shows you how much I know too, I didn't even know there were 2 Satellite radio's that you could choose from. Sounds like since they merged, they pretty much have a monopoly on Satellite radio.

How do you all like Satellite radio? I'm almost sure I am going to buy into it soon.

Subject: Re: Satellite Radio
Posted by GoodVibrations on Mon, 17 Jan 2011 00:35:31 GMT
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I would love to subscribe to satellite radio and plan to later this year, once taxes have been paid. I have listened to satellite radio actually at car dealerships and was pretty impressed with the variety of radio stations.

Subject: Re: Satellite Radio
Posted by Adveser on Mon, 17 Jan 2011 07:14:48 GMT
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As a massive fan of 70's and 80's pop I have a one word review:

Awful!

Here's Why:

The stations have a playlist that feels like hundred songs. I have heard the same songs 5 times each every time I am in the car with someone who has it.

and 2, they still are compressing every single bit of fidelity out the signal and by my ears worse than FM station HAVE TO because of technical limitations.

I would stick with your local Fred FM format. They offer a much much larger playlist at the expense of being of being decade specific.

XM/Sirius:

3/10 for programming.
2/10 for quality.

Run away. Don't buy the hype.

Subject: Re: Satellite Radio
Posted by GoodVibrations on Thu, 10 Feb 2011 03:21:25 GMT
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I have never had satellite radio, so I must ask these beginner questions... I believe it was more expensive when it started out, but I don't know the current price. Would I pay more than $10 a month?

A concern I had Adveser, was that if I found a station that played the genre I enjoyed, would there be enough variety to keep me entertained? Sounds like that may not be the case.

Even though commercial-free radio is inviting, I'm not convinced it is worth the money unless it is

cheap. Now that there is only 1 satellite radio vendor, I wonder if there will be any change in the product offerings in the near future? Sounds like we needed the competition XM just bought up.

Subject: Re: Satellite Radio
Posted by Adveser on Thu, 10 Feb 2011 08:01:43 GMT
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I think you would like it for a month or two and once the playlist wore thin, you'd be tired of it.

I think you can listen to their stations online, if you know someone that is a subscriber, talk them into letting you use their credentials to check it out.

Subject: Re: Satellite Radio
Posted by MusicDiva on Thu, 10 Feb 2011 22:31:26 GMT
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XM seems much more popular to me. I know that doesn't make it better but I've heard so many good things from people I know that have it. With Sirius, people (at least that I know) don't seem to like it as much.
