
Subject: Car radio reception
Posted by [mamoss](#) on Wed, 13 Sep 2017 18:53:17 GMT
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Lately, my car hasn't been picking up signals well. I have checked and ensured that all connections are okay. It isn't the factory radio though. Is there a signal booster for this purpose?

Subject: Re: Car radio reception
Posted by [Wayne Parham](#) on Wed, 13 Sep 2017 21:01:09 GMT
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Yes, you can buy antenna boosters. But if something has changed, I'd look into that first. Sounds like something has begun to fail. Get that fixed or replaced first. Then look at buying an RF amplifier to boost the antenna if you still want better reception.

Subject: Re: Car radio reception
Posted by [WorkingWoman2017](#) on Thu, 14 Sep 2017 19:11:39 GMT
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My daughter uses an antenna booster but I'm unsure as to the brand. It seems to work really well because her radio is on full blast in her car all the time. You can hear her coming!

Subject: Re: Car radio reception
Posted by [Wayne Parham](#) on Fri, 15 Sep 2017 14:55:24 GMT
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You might be talking about a "power booster" in the form of a power amplifier. They're pretty popular, in that the head unit in the dash is probably capable of 10 watts to 25 watts, so some people use an external power amplifier capable of 50 watts to 250 watts, something like that. This is what would make the sound louder.

An antenna booster is solely for bringing in weak stations. It won't make the music content louder, it will make a distant station sound clearer. If you can barely receive the signal and it fades in and out, then an antenna booster might help.
